

**GRAND RIDGE DISTRICT. #95  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**January 18, 2022**

The January regular monthly Grand Ridge School Board of Education meeting was called to order in regular session by President Rich Frye, on Tuesday, January 18, at 7:03 p.m. Roll call was taken. Answering present were: Rich Frye, Kate Jaegle, Mike Wielgopalan, George Lukach, John Lubelski, Kayla Simons. Also present was Ted Sanders, Terry Ahearn and Melissa Bernard. Absent Mary Domoleczny.

Visitors to the meeting were Jon Woodyer, Tiffany Cox, Amanda Varland and Lisa Killelea.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion to approve the minutes of the December meetings was made by John Lubelski. This was seconded by Rich Frye. Voice vote taken: All Ayes. Motion passed.

George Lukach arrived at the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved, to be placed on file for further audit with a motion made by John Lubelski and seconded by Kate Jaegle. Voice vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**Payment of Bills:** The bills for the month of January were inspected and presented for payment. A motion was made to approve the bills by Rich Frye. This was seconded by John Lubelski. Roll call vote was taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kate Jaegle to do a transfer \$447..50 from Operations and Maintenance to Debt Services for interest payment on land. This was seconded by Kayla Simons.. Roll call vote was taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Lisa Killelea addressed the Board, thanking Ted Sanders and Terry Ahearn for everything they have done to keep school in session.

**Principal's Report.** Mr. Ahearn discussed the following.

- **January Calendar:** Mr. Ahearn shared with the Board the January calendar
- Mr. Ahearn shared that the Jr. High reward trip has been postponed due to the number of students that are currently out of school.
- **IAR Testing:** Mr. Ahearn shared that IAR testing will take place in the Spring.

**Policy Updates 1st reading:** The Board reviewed the 1st reading of Press Plus Updates 108.

**Gym Lighting Project:** A motion was made by George Lukach to move forward with the updated quote as presented from Ficek Electric not including the wireless and the dimming features. This was seconded by Rich Frye. Roll call vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**Building Committee Report:** The Building Committee met and prioritized several items coming up in the next 3 years. The Board reviewed this list of projects.

**Superintendent's Report:**

- Mr. Sanders shared with the Board several informational items that were included in their Board Packet as well as shared with the Board that we are adapting to the new guidance from the CDC and IDPH.

**Executive Session** – A motion was made at 8:29 p.m. by Kate Jaegle to move to closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, student discipline, and pending litigation. This was seconded by Kayla Simons. Voice vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

The board returned to open session at 8:55 p.m. on a motion made by Rich Frye. This was seconded by John Lubelski. Voice vote taken. All Aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Rich Frye to accept the resignation of Melissa Bucalo as an Assistant Cook.. This was seconded by George Lukach. Voice vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by John Lubelski to accept the resignation of Melissa Bernard as District Secretary. This was seconded by Rich Frye. Voice vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Rich Frye to accept the resignation of Melissa Bernard as Athletic Director and Yearbook Advisor. This was seconded by Kayla Simons. Voice vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kayla Simons to accept the resignation of Melissa Bernard as the Board Secretary. This was seconded by John Lubelski. Voice vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

A motion to hire Melissa Bernard as a temporary employee beginning February 1st to help with the secretarial transition was made by Kate Jaegle. This was seconded by Rich Frye. Voice vote taken. All Ayes. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rich Frye. This was seconded by George Lukach. Voice vote taken: All Ayes. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Grand Ridge School Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Melissa Bernard  
Secretary: Board of Education

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
President: Board of Education

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