

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

**July 11, 2017**

The July regular monthly Grand Ridge School Board of Education meeting was called to order in regular session by President Rich Frye, on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at 7:01 p.m. Roll call was taken. Answering present were: Ken Bernard, Michael Wielgopalan, Steve Durdan, Julie Angus, Fran Swallers and Rich Frye. Also present was Ted Sanders and Melissa Bernard. Absent: Todd Stehl and Terry Ahearn.

Visitors to the meeting: Lisa Killelea, Susan Thorson, Paul Anderson.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion to approve the minutes of the June meetings was made by Mike Wielgopalan. This was seconded by Steve Durdan. Voice vote taken: All Ayes. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved to be placed on file for further audit with a motion made by Ken Bernard and seconded by Fran Swallers. Voice vote was taken: All Aye. Motion carried.

**Payment of Bills:** The bills for the month of July were inspected and presented for payment. A motion was made to approve the bills by Steve Durdan. This was seconded by Julie Angus. Roll call vote was taken: All Aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made to do a transfer of \$11,905.00 from Building Fund to Debt Services to cover loan payment on land was made by Mike Wielgopalan. This was seconded by Ken Bernard. Roll call vote was taken. All Aye. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**Insurance Renewals:** Paul Anderson presented to the Board, the Blue Cross Blue Shield rates. The current plan will be going up 11%.

**Principal's Report:** None

**Superintendent's Report:** Mr. Sanders reported on the following items:

- **Final 2016-2017 Budget:** Mr. Sanders shared with the Board the final budget numbers for 2016-2017
- **Streator TIF:** Mr. Sanders reviewed with the Board the updates on the Streator TIF. A motion was made by Julie Angus to accept the Resolution Authorizing Approval of Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with City of Streator and other Taxing Bodies Concerning Disbursement of Surplus Funds from the Northpoint TIF District and the South Industrial TIF District. This was seconded by Steve Durdan. Voice vote taken. All Aye. Motion carried.

- **Hazardous Bus Routes:** The Board reviewed the one hazardous bus route. A motion was made by Ken Bernard to accept the resolution to verify hazardous bus routes. This was seconded by Fran Swallers. Voice vote taken. All Aye. Motion carried.
- **Building Updates:** Mr. Sanders shared with the Board the progress of the summer work. Things are moving along nicely with all the summer projects moving along as scheduled. Mr. Sanders shared with the Board that he would like to purchase 10 Smart Boards from Streator Schools. He will use funds from the REAP Grant. A motion was made by Julie Angus to proceed with the purchase of 10 Smart Boards, using funds from the REAP Grant. This was seconded by Fran Swallers. Voice vote taken. All Aye. Motion carried.
- **2017-2018 Parent/Student Handbook:** A review of the 2017-2018 Parent/Student Handbook. A request to add 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to the requirements in Valedictorian and Honor Student Section. A motion was made by Ken Bernard to accept the 2017-2018 Parent Student Handbooks with adding the changes to the Valedictorian and Honor Student Section. This was seconded by Fran Swallers. Voice vote taken. All Aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made at 8:27 p.m. by Mike Wielgopolan 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 Steve Durdan. Voice vote taken: All Aye. Motion carried.

The board returned to open session at 8:48 p.m. on a motion made by Mike Wielgopolan and seconded by Steve Durdan.

### **Personnel.**

A motion was made by Mike Wielgopolan to hire Rodney Vickers as the Assistant Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach. This was seconded by Steve Durdan. Voice vote taken: All Aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Steve Durdan to hire Bill Stapleton as the volunteer Softball Coach pending background check. This was seconded by Julie Angus. Voice vote taken. All Aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ken Bernard to approve the 2017-2020 Professional Negotiations Agreement as presented. This was seconded by Julie Angus. Roll call vote was taken. All Aye. Motion carried.

An additional discussion was held on the insurance plans that was presented to the Board by Paul Anderson. A motion was made by Mike Wielgopolan to accept the Alternate #1 plan. This was seconded by Fran Swallers. Voice vote taken. All Aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Julie Angus to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m. This was seconded by Fran Swallers. Voice vote taken: All Aye. Motion carried.

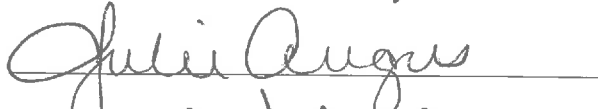

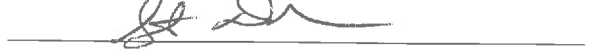
The next regular meeting of the Grand Ridge School Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

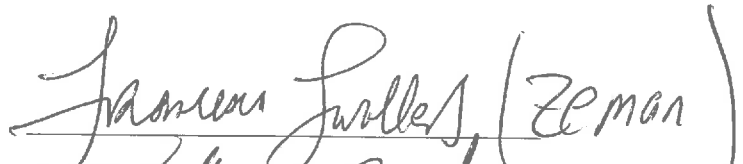
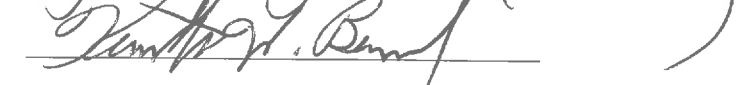
Respectfully submitted,



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Melissa Bernard  
Secretary Board of Education

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