

The scheduled meeting of the Germantown Hills School District #69
Board of Education February 11, 2019 was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
by President, Steve Nauman

Pledge of Allegiance

Members Present:	S. Nauman	D. Mair
	L. Edwards	S. Nafziger
	J. Hunt	K. Williams
	R. Baker	M. Braskich
	E. McAllister	
	G. Weinman	

Members Absent: J. Hanks

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, PUBLIC COMMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Visitors were welcomed. Teachers present: J. Schwarzentraub and T. Hasty

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by J. Hunt with a second by E. McAllister to approve the January 14, 2019 Board of Education Regular Session minutes.

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

Treasurer's Report All school board members received a copy of the January, 2019 Treasurer's Report.

A motion was made by E. McAllister with a second by G. Weinman to approve the January, 2019 Treasurer's Report.

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

Bills

Bills totaling \$414,884.80 were approved for payment on a motion by E. McAllister with a second by L. Edwards

Roll call Vote: Yeas – S. Nauman, L. Edwards, J. Hunt, R. Baker, E. McAllister and G. Weinman

Motion Passed with 6 votes.

ACTION ITEMS

Motion to Approve the FY19 Certified Teacher Seniority List

A motion was made by L. Edwards with a second by E. McAllister to approve the FY19 Certified Teacher Seniority List

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

Motion to Approve Hiring Steph Hensley as Cheerleading Coach and Brianna Cross as a .4 Dance Coach for the 2019 – 2020 School Year

A motion was made by J. Hunt with a second by L. Edwards to approve hiring Steph Hensley as Cheerleading coach and Brianna Cross as a .4 Dance coach for the 2019-2020 school year

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – L. Edwards, J. Hunt, R. Baker, E. McAllister, G. Weinman and S. Nauman

Motion Passed with 6 votes

Motion to Approve 2019 8th Grade Graduation Date

A motion was made by G. Weinman with a second by L. Edwards to approve May 23, 2019 as 8th Grade Graduation night.

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

Motion to Authorize the Superintendent to Develop the FY20 Budget

A motion was made by E. McAllister with a second by J. Hunt to authorize the superintendent to develop the FY20 Budget.

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

Motion to Approve Press Plus Board Policy Updates: 3:340-E, 4:130-E, 2:80, 5:30, 5:60, 6:20, 7:70, 2:120, 4:130, 4:170, 5:100, 5:220, 7:100, 7:190, 7:250, 7:260, 7:270, 7:290 and 7:305

A motion was made by E. McAllister with a second by L. Edwards to approve Press Plus Board Policy Updates: 3:340-E, 4:130-E, 2:80, 5:30, 5:60, 6:20, 7:70, 2:120, 4:130, 4:170, 5:100, 5:220, 7:100, 7:190, 7:250, 7:260, 7:270, 7:290 and 7:305

Roll Call Vote – Yeas: J. Hunt, R. Baker, E. McAllister, G. Weinman, S. Nauman and L. Edwards

Motion Passed with 6 Votes

Motion to Approve the 2019 – 2020 School Calendar

A motion was made by E. McAllister with a second by L. Edwards to approve the 2019 – 2020 school calendar.

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

OTHER BUSINESS, REPORTS, DISCUSSION AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Moving to a Partially Self-funded Health Insurance Plan – Because of past extremely high health insurance renewal rates, D. Mair has researched other options. The most attractive option is creating a partially self-funded plan. Tim Wyman from the Wyman Group was at the board meeting to explain how partially self-funded plans work and to answer questions.

Legislative Reports – D. Mair included an article from the Illinois School News Service regarding a bill that would codify who is an “at risk” student in all board members’ packets.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORTS

Elementary School

- **Phonics Presentation:**
January 18th, Jodi Heflin and I presented data that showed an area in reading in need of more intense instructional focus. We discussed our desire to go to a more systematic approach to teaching phonics. This Orton-Gillingham approach is a multi-sensory way to capture the mystery of teaching & understanding phonics.
- **Standards-Based Report Card Conference:**
Kate, Andy Laird and I attended this conference to better inform us of the challenges, pitfalls, and various approaches to moving our K-8 district to standards reporting. We will be conducting a follow-up meeting with the presenter to discuss a possible partnership with him as we aim to design a two-year three implementation plan.
- **MTSS & SEL Meetings:**
Michelle & Hillary have conducted winter meetings with teachers to discuss supports/interventions for students. I’m continually impressed with the level of support our faculty/staff give to all children - especially those who are struggling either academically or social/emotionally or both.
- **Boot Camp Celebration:**
We held our January boot camp refresher when we returned from the holidays. This helped to get our students back on track for learning and succeeding. At the end of our teaching, we held a celebration of success for those students who demonstrated they could perform/carry out the 4’Be’s. Many thanks to the PE department for helping us celebrate with fun movement stations, and Karen Dexheimer, Becky Maddock and Mrs. Bitner for helping me organize these events!
- **4th Grade Enrichment Writing Club:**
I have started a writing club for fourth-grade students who have shown exceptional talent in the area of writing. The teachers provided me with 2-3 names per homeroom and we met for the first time this past Friday. I’m looking forward to seeing their writing development as we progress this nine weeks.
- **Donate a Bear/Cuddle for Kids:**
Every year we try to help out Taylor Larson (Chillicothe) who collects stuffed animals for the children who are hospitalized at OSF. The kids really enjoy helping other children in need.
- **Kindergarten Registration Week:**
Angie & Denise spent 2 evenings and a Saturday morning helping parents register for their child’s 2019-2020 kindergarten school year. I greatly appreciate the both of them taking their evenings to serve the public. I will update the board on Monday night.
- **Walk of Champions:**
This past Friday, we lined the halls to cheer on the Dance Team as they prepare to compete at the state

level. Congratulations to the team and Mrs. Hoins for all your hard work!

- **Enrollment:**
 - K = 86 - 5 sections (1 enrolled out), 1 = 82 - 4 sections, 2 = 85 - 4 sections, 3 = 92 - 4 sections
4 = 98 - 4 sections (3 enrolled out) **Total = 443**

Middle School Report

Curriculum:

- SEL meetings will take place this Wednesday during our Early Release time. We will also be meeting with a textbook representative about Social Studies curricular texts for next year.
- All middle school staff participated in professional development from the Front Porch Initiative, which encourages teachers and students to share their life stories in order to form a stronger shared community. Teachers will also participate in a Safe School Alliance Training this Friday during the SIP day.
- Winter MAP testing is complete, and we conducted grade level data meetings last week. In addition, we finished our annual review meetings for IEP and 504 students.
- On January 24th, the OSF Cancer Center came to speak with our 7th and 8th graders about the dangers of smoking/vaping/JUULs.
- Our IAR (formerly PARCC) schedule is set. The middle school will begin testing the week of April 8th.
- The all-school Spelling Bee was held on January 25th. 6th, 7th and 8th graders competed. 8th grader Bella Signa was our runner up and 8th grader Dominick Gaudio was our school champion. They will both compete at the Conference Bee tomorrow at Blessed Sacrament.
- The Geography Bee was held on Friday, February 1st. All fourteen of the students who competed did an outstanding job! Winners were...
 - 1st place- Keegan Mullins (8th grade) Keegan has taken a qualifier test, and he will find out in March if he will be advancing to the State Geography Bee.
 - 2nd place-Tyce Bucy (6th grade)
 - 3rd place- Emma Sondgeroth (6th grade)
- Congratulations to the 2018-2019 VFW Post 2602 Patriot's Pen essay contest award winners!
 - 1st place- Carrigan Craig \$100
 - 2nd place- Brandon Hughes \$75
 - 3rd place- Kylynn Murray \$50

Enrollment/Attendance/Discipline:

- Current Enrollment Numbers: 367
 - 5th - 80
 - 6th- 93
 - 7th- 104
 - 8th- 90

Extracurriculars/Events:

- Dance Team is heading to IDTA State competition in Springfield at the convention center on Saturday. They have qualified for state in 2 categories: lyrical and kick. Next season, Brianna Cross will join Mrs. Goins as the assistant dance team coach (they will split the stipend).

- Vicky Garey has resigned as the cheerleading coach. Thank you to her for all of her hard work over the past four years. Our school counselor, Stephanie Hensley, will take over the reins of cheerleading next year!
- Lindsey Davis has resigned as the cross country assistant coach. I have posted for this position and am currently taking applicants.
- Auditions for the school play, Dorothy in Wonderland, were held on February 6th and 7th. 38 students auditioned. The dates for the play are April 26th and 27th at Great Oaks Church.
- The 7th and 8th grade boys basketball teams officially ended their season last Friday. Both teams were very successful and accomplished the goals that were set for them. The 7th grade finished with a final record of 18 -5. The 8th grade team finished with a final record of 12-12.
- Volleyball is off to a great start. The 6th grade team is 9-1 and was the champion of the huge tournament we hosted last month. 7th grade is also 9-1. And 8th grade is 8-2.
- Chess Club has started their season. Students will be attending the State Chess Tournament on February 22nd and 23rd. In addition, Chess Club will also be attending tournaments at St. Mary's and Riverview grade schools.
- The 2018-2019 Scholastic Bowl team has begun their season. The team is made up of thirteen 6th, 7th and 8th grade students. We had our first match on February 7th, and the A team dominated East Peoria Central with a ending score of 255- 120. The B team lost in a close match 140-145. A full audience was in attendance, and it was a great start to the season!
- The 6th grade boys basketball team is also off to a great start!

March 2nd Board Retreat – D. Mair asked for feedback as to what other matters to discuss in addition to reviewing and updating our current goals and objectives.

MTCO Park Update – D. Mair updated the board on the status of the park. He will attend a meeting on February 25th and will update again afterwards.

Single Start/Dismissal Time for the 2020 – 2021 School Year – Building a ring road and a frontage road connecting Great Oaks parking lot and our property are both ideas the district would like to investigate. D. Mair has asked Terra Engineering for quotes and he is also going to submit a grant to EPA for clean diesel buses.

Staff Resignations – Three staff members have resigned: Nicole Rodseth – paraprofessional, Lindsey Davis – Assistant Cross Country Coach and Vicki Garey – Cheer Coach

Activity Account Journal – All board members received a copy of the most recent Activity Account Journal.

No other business was discussed

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by E. McAllister with a second by J. Hunt to go in to closed session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

A motion was made by E. McAllister with a second by G. Weinman to leave closed session at 8:27 p.m.

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by L. Edwards with a second by G. Weinman to adjourn the board meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Voice Vote – Motion Passed

President

Steve Nauman

Secretary

Jason Hunt