Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School Board of Education

Regular Meeting

16 September 2020

Board Room D131/Zoom

Members present at the start of the meeting were President, Jeremy Pain, Vice-President, Larry Smith, Sean Barrows, Jed Barnes, Brian Underwood, Cole Covington and one guest.

Member Hillary Giuda-Philpott was absent.

Others present were Superintendent Annette Hammond, District Clerk Jarrin Hayen, District Treasurer Dorothy Iannello, and Principal Heather Wilcox.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by President ORDER Pain.

Brian LaTourette, Area 8 Director for NYSSBA provided the following Positive Highlight:

-Through NYSSBA's *Champions of Change* program, we were recognized for our *Plastic Film Recycling Challenge* and presented a banner.

District Clerk Jarrin Hayen provided the following Positive Highlight:

-Utica National Safety awarded GMU with the School Safety Excellence award for our continued efforts to provide a safe, healthy, and focused culture for learning in 2020.

The Principal and Superintendent provided the following Positive Highlights:

- -Received a letter of recognition as a CFCS Brilliant Pathways School of Distinction again. This is based on mentoring, essential skills and pathways to college and career.
- -SBHC is fully staffed and seeing students. They will help students enrolled in the program with COVID19 related illness.
- -We started school with a quick change of instruction from hybrid to all virtual. Teachers did a fantastic job adapting quickly and helping with a smooth transition.

Superintendent Hammond informed the board of how many new registered students are currently enrolled at GMU for the 2020-2021 school year. We have 17 new students and 32 students who left the district. We have a total of 339 students currently enrolled.

POSITIVE HIGHLIGHTS

INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

No topics raised from the floor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The board discussed the following policy:

BOARD DISCUSSION

- -Title IX Student Sexual Harassment (BP 5688.1), First Reading.
- -Having a special meeting on September 30th

Minutes from the 19 August 2020 regular meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Smith, seconded by Barnes. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

MINUTES

The proposed 16 September 2020 Regular Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted on a motion by Barrows, seconded by Underwood. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

AGENDA

Board Member Barrows made the motion, seconded by Board Member Underwood, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 September 2020 CSE/CPSE Consent Agenda. The meeting dates include August 31 & September 2, 2020. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

CSE/CPSE CONSENT AGENDA

Board Member Smith made the motion, seconded by Board Member Underwood, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 September 2020, Financial Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL CONSENT AGENDA

Financial Reports

To accept the financial reports for August 2020.

External Audit

To approve the external audit, year ending June 30, 2020.

Tax Correction

To approve a correction to a change in assessment in the amount of \$71,500 to \$36,500 to Tax Map Number #186.-1-22.1 and to authorize the District Treasurer to make the necessary revision/corrections to the school tax bills effective 16 September 2020. This action in the Town of Guilford, reduces the school levy by \$452.20.

Financial Report

To approve the revised Monthly Treasurer's Report from June 2020.

Donation

To accept the donation of 400 ear buds from the "Quarenteachers" to assist 7-12th grade students with virtual learning.

Board Member Barrows made the motion, seconded by Board Member Barnes, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 September 2020, Personnel Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

Coaching Recommendations

To appoint the following coach for the 2020-2021 sports season:

Girl's Varsity Soccer – Tim Diters Girl's Modified Soccer – Ken Held Boy's Varsity Soccer – Raquel Norton Boy's Varsity Soccer Volunteer Assistant Coach – Greg Bonczkowski

All coaches are pending the following requirements: first aid certification, CPR/AED certification, concussion certification, DASA certification, and fingerprint clearance.

Substitute Bus Drivers

To appoint the following as substitute bus drivers for the 2020-2021 school year:

Mark Grabo

Bruce Giuda

Jan Ireland

William Ostrander

Jeffrey Rosenberg

Edward Wilson

Resignation

To accept the resignation of Mary LaBounty as Bus Driver, effective end of day, August 26, 2020.

Rescind Annual Appointment

To rescind the appointment of Mark Seigers as Yearbook Advisor.

Rescind Annual Appointment

To rescind the appointment of Maria Sakoulas as SADD, Ski Club and Language Club advisors.

Mentor

To appoint Lauren Weidman as a mentor to Samantha Wise for the 2020-2021 school year (Elementary Teacher).

Board Member Covington made the motion, seconded by Board Member Underwood, RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept/approve the 16 September 2020 New Items Consent Agenda. For the motion six, opposed none. Motion carried.

NEW ITEMS CONSENT AGENDA

Safety Plan Updates

To approve the district wide and the building level safety plan updates for the 2020-2021 school year.

BP5687: Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy

To approve the amended board policy 5687 Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment, with an effective date of September 17, 2020.

BP5688 Sexual Harassment Policy

To approve the amended board policy 5688 Sexual Harassment, with an effective date of September 17, 2020.

No topics raised from the floor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m. on a motion by Smith, seconded by Barnes, and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT