

**Meeting of the Gentry Board of Education
District #19
Minutes of Board of Education**

Meeting	Type	Location	Time	Date
No 13	Regular	PAC	6:00 p.m.	November 15, 2021

Present

David Williamson – President
Randall Bolinger - Vice President
Melissa Holland – Secretary
Jim Barnes – Member
Jon Holt – Member
Gary Dunlap- Member
John Skaggs – Member

Absent

Call to Order

Mr. Williamson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with 7 members present. Mr. Moll was present to represent the local press. Other guests included but my not have been strictly limited to the following:

1. Paul Carr
2. Krista Carr
3. Victoria Groomer
4. Kristen Smartt
5. Brittney Schortzmann
6. Corey Schortzmann

Moment of Silence

Observed

Welcome and Celebration - Christie Toland

Director's Report

[3_Asst. Supt's Report November 2122.pdf](#)

Consideration of Board Minutes

- Regular October 18, 2021 - [4a #11 Regular Board Meeting October 18, 2021.pdf](#) Randall Bolinger moved to accept the minutes as presented. Gary Dunlap seconded. The vote carried 7-0.
- Special November 4, 2021 - [4b #12 Special Board Meeting November 4, 2021.pdf](#) - Gary Dunlap moved to accept the minutes as presented and Randall Bolinger seconded. The vote carried 7-0.
- Regular June 21, 2021 - [4c #20 Regular June 21, 2021 Board Meeting.pdf](#) - Jim Barnes moved to accept the minutes as presented and John Skaggs seconded. The vote carried 7-0.

Consideration of Financial Reports

- a. Period 2 FY 22 Bank Reconciliation Period 3 Bank Reconciliation Period 4 [5a_August September October Grand Savings Bank Period 2, 3, 4 FY 22.pdf](#) & [5a_Period 2 Bank Reconciliation Arvest FY 22.pdf](#)
- b. Period 4 FY 22 Board Report -[5b_Period 4 FY 22 Board Report.pdf](#)
- c. Period 4 FY 22 Check Register -[5c_Period 4 FY 22 Check Register.pdf](#)
- d. Period 4 FY 22 Fund 2000 Expenditure Summary -[5d_Period 4 FY 22 Fund 2000 Expenditure Summary.pdf](#)
- e. Period 4 FY 22 Fund 2001 Revenue Summary - [5e_Period 4 FY 22 Fund 2001 Revenue Summary.pdf](#)
- f. Budget Approval from State -[5f_Budget Approval from State.pdf](#)
- g. Money moved to ICS \$3,000,000 -

Ms. Metz reported a current balance of \$4.4 M in Operating. She said that additional tax revenue received had resulted in a slightly elevated monthly balance. She reported that as previously approved by the Board, she moved \$3 M to the Grand Savings ICS account to earn interest until we need it. Ms. Metz reported that she received word that the Budget submitted in Cycle 1 was officially approved. \$90,000 is to be taken out by the County to repay an overpayment (see last month's minutes). Jim Barnes moved to accept the Financial Report as presented and John Skaggs seconded. The vote carried 7-0.

Facilities and Transportation

- a. F&T Report for October - [6a_October 2021 F & T Report.pdf](#)
- b. Facilities Policy Review and discussion - https://www.gentrypioneers.com/state-required-information/sb/FY%2022/5.%20November%20FY%2022/6b_Facilities%20Usage%20Policy%20Recommendation.pdf

Discussion regarding the Facilities Policy included the following questions and concerns:

- MH - 3rd paragraph regarding "registered Volunteer or school employed coach" - I feel that is a given that this is a school program.
- MH - I don't know what was wrong with our old policy. Fill out the form.
- DW - traveling teams are wanting to use the facilities but they are not 100% composed of Gentry players; they need a place to practice but are opposed to the fee.
- MH - noted she researched the traveling team agreements and a facility usage fee is included in the fee to be involved. If they are getting paid they should be willing to make a donation, or pay some fee to the school for upkeep and maintenance. They are being paid by parents. We are paying cleaning fees and repairs and utilities.
- Mr Hester consulted coaches who reached out to registered volunteers. Some coaches chose to not provide any input.
- DW - volunteer coaches are not getting paid to coach - if they are willing to volunteer we should help, for the sake of kids, by waiving the fee.
- JS - agreed with Mr. Williamson if 50% at least are local Gentry students, but not in agreement if that minimum 50% our students from outside the local community. We are incurring costs for cleaning and repairs.
- Randall Bolinger asked to hear from Chad Spivey, a registered volunteer in the audience. Mr. Spivey told the Board his team is a legitimate 501 C 3 - non profit, most of his athletes are from the area. Many are from low income families, some kids cannot afford the participation fee and he pays it for them. His own building available in Siloam is not set up to prepare them to compete with the bigger clubs. His main objective is trying to better Pioneer athletics outside of

the GYO. “GYO doesn’t cut it anymore” in his opinion - Some teams have more Gentry kids on them and some less. Siloam and Oklahoma - none have the 50% but hoping that will increase in time.

\$900 yearly charge to be part of his program - That is \$40 a month, but many can’t afford. Mr. Spivey said “I can do here what I did in Bentonville. I am willing to open my books and show there is no profit being made.”

- MH - 7U up to Highschool only? MH - would you waive the facility fee if we waive our facility fee? MH is uncomfortable with people being charged a facility fee but we are waiving the fee for the same club.
- RB - declines comment
- MH - advocates for kids having a place to play and for bettering school programs through alternative “feeder programs” but has an issue as mentioned before.
- GD - School team comes first obviously when scheduling. The 50% is not Gentry kids and who would regulate that.
- JS - Could we waive the fee temporarily with the caveat that within 4 years the program must be comprised of a minimum 50% Gentry students or begin paying the fee.
- MH - I appreciate Mr. Spivey and what he is doing but I am concerned about the fee charged to parents and it sets a precedent.
- GD - the problem is ranking priority - the policy lays out the priority of school, GYO, and other outside organizations
- JS - We are a public school and we do accept student transfers - we already have the ranking order in play.
- JS - we are absorbing costs from outside groups
- RB - asked Jason if the cleaning crew was cleaning the space anyway. Mr. Barrett said “Yes” but there is - no 3rd shift and so the cleaning crew needs a couple of hours to clean and prep for classes the next day - 8:30 pm should be the end of activities in order to allow this to happen.

Ms. Metz, will change the percentage to 50% in 4 years or further consideration by the Board. 8:30 pm will be the closing time for outside groups so the cleaning can be handled. She will bring back the new draft next month.

c. RFQ Architect -

Jon Skaggs asked if all the buses were drivable and Mr. Barrett replied “yes”. Jim Barnes asked if there was currently enough drivers to cover transportation needs and again, Mr. Barrett replied “yes” saying “we have a good crew and we are in good shape right now.”

[Personnel - 7 Personnel November 15, 2021.pdf](#)

Ms. Metz said there were two unexpected resignations in Facilities and Food Service. Chad Haslett, Mr. Barrett and Ms. Metz’ recommendation for Transportation Supervisor, to replace Terry Rye, was present and introduced to, and welcomed by, the Board .

Randall Bolinger moved to accept the personnel recommendations as presented and John Skaggs seconded. The vote carried 7-0.

Consideration of Various Tuition/Purchased Service Agreements

a. ASBA Model Policy Contract - https://www.gentrypioneers.com/state-required-information/sb/FY%2022/5.%20November%20FY%2022/8a_ASBA%20Model%20Policy%20Service%20Contract.pdf

Melissa Holland moved to approve the purchased service as presented and Jim Barnes seconded. The vote carried 7-0.

ARP Esser Funds -

[9 Updated November 15, 2022 ARP ESSER Plan for Use of Funds.docx.pdf](#)

Ms. Metz will provide a link showing Districts spending areas for these funds.

Randall Bolinger moved to accept the Plan as revised and presented and Gary Dunlap seconded. The vote carried 7-0.

Mask Mandate Review of Numbers



[10 November 8-12, 2021 Covid-19 Dashboard.jpg](#)

Numbers slightly elevated. Informational only. Mr. Barrett said “This time of year, not unusual for increased cases due to increased congregate settings.”

Second Reading of Policy

None

First Reading o Policy

None

Student Transfers

1. Kamree Gibbs -- Gentry to Siloam
2. Chloe Ponder - Siloam to Gentry
3. Emma Ponder - Siloam to Gentry
4. Landon Ponder - Siloam to Gentry
5. Emily Thompson - Siloam to Gentry
6. Arthur Lee - Siloam to Gentry
7. Karter Lee- Siloam to Gentry
8. Oliver Lee- Siloam to Gentry
9. Rayner Lee- Siloam to Gentry
10. Braulio Echeverria- Siloam to Gentry

11. Alizabeth Sparks - Siloam to Gentry
12. Charley Sparks - Siloam to Gentry
13. Viktoria Dickinson - Siloam to Gentry
14. Cole Perry - Gentry to Siloam

Randall Bolinger moved to accept the student transfers as presented and Gary Dunlap seconded. The vote carried 7-0.

Ethics Notification Resolutions

[14 FY22 Ethics List of employee disclosures..pdf](#) Informational

[14a Chenault Resolution FY 22.pdf](#) -RB MH 7-0

[14a Courtney Millsap Resolution FY 22.pdf](#) - RB MH 7-0

[14a Jon Holt Ethics Disclosure Resolution FY 22.pdf](#) - JB RB 6-0 Mr. Holt step out for the vote

[14a Wilson Resolution FY 22.pdf](#) - RB MH 7-0

PPC/CPPC

None

Miscellaneous and Informational Items

None

Miscellaneous Items After Publication of Agenda

None

Round Table

John Skaggs said he was “excited about all that is going on; The football team successes, group successes, collaborations are happening.” Praised all the accomplishments highlighted in tonight’s report.

Gary Dunlap - said “In light of events in local communities as well as issues he sees working with youths and families through his church, he would like to find a way to share some of the informational trainings the Board goes through regarding important topics such as human trafficking, the dangers of vaping, etc. Would like to bring some “transparency” and education to the parents and community regarding important topics of the day that may help them spot a child in danger.

Melissa Holland agreed with Mr. Dunlap added that the Bullying training they experienced was enlightening and might help someone else. Ms. Holland praised the Middle School’s Monopoly event they hosted recently. She also expressed appreciation for a “more intimate conversation with teachers and the good idea to sit in a classroom for 15 min and get a feel for what their students “learn and expectations they are given.” It was a community event but not very high participation which was disappointing because she felt it was a great opportunity.

Randall Bolinger – None

David Williamson expressed agreement with Mr. Dunlap and asked what it might cost to install vape detectors in campus restrooms as an added preventative measure.

Jim Barnes - None

Jon Holt - Changing locks - outsiders with key to PAC - key issue JB would like to invest in card readers in G-tech for PAC - Antiquated fob system - Campuses as we can - turn off cards and set parameters. Congrats to students highlighted tonight. Staff great job

Melissa Holland asked “Can we go back to monthly group highlights? - Ms. Metz and Ms. Toland agreed.

Adjourn

Melissa Holland moved to adjourn at 7:25 pm and Randall Bolinger seconded. The vote carried 7-0.

December Meeting : December 20, 2021