

Board of Education Special Meeting
September 01, 2020 6:00 PM
Gallatin County Middle School Library

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett
Mr. Hargis Davis
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent
Mrs. Sonya Giles
Mr. Chuck Toler

I. Welcome/Roll Call

II. Approval of Agenda

Order #2020-1880 - Motion Passed: Motion made to approve Agenda passed with a motion by Mrs. Rebecca Burgett and a second by Mr. Chuck Toler.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

III. Public Comments

Discussion:

Parent, Elizabeth Brinker addressed the Board with statistics on why we should return to sports.

IV. Board Comments

Discussion:

Board Member, Rebecca Burgett asked if we had new graduation requirements. High School Principal, Jon Jones stated yes, the Financial Literacy Awareness, which is included in the curriculum. Chairman, Hargis Davis thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication, from the Tech team to all the teachers. You have met and exceeded at the goals that we set forth.

V. Recommended Action - NEW BUSINESS

V.a. Review/Discuss Student Mental Health

Discussion:

Board Member, Rebecca Burgett asked how we are reaching out to students to let them know we have resources. Superintendent Hammond added that he had asked Mr. Brian Brentlinger to speak tonight on the issue. He advised that Mr. Brentlinger who was our Youth Service Center Coordinator, soon to be taking the position of Mental Health Specialist. He advised that we are working quickly to get the Coordinator's position filled. Mr. Brentlinger advised the Board that we have a lot of positive comments. He works with outside agencies that provide quality services. He will work hard to make sure we have the best resources possible in place. Board Member, Amanda Dunavent asked approximately how many students we see in the Service Center, per year. Mr. Brentlinger replied that they see an average of eighty (80) students per year, including K-12. He added that the recent survey shows students are struggling and have no one to turn to for help. He also advised they did home visits in the county today.

V.b. Review/Approve revised Athletic Director job description

Discussion:

Order #2020-1881 - Motion Passed: Motion made to approve revised Athletic Director job description passed with a motion by Mrs. Sonya Giles and a second by Mr. Chuck Toler.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

V.c. Review/Approve creation of Athletic Trainer position & job description

Discussion:

Discussion was held on this person working 220 days in a contract year. They would attend practices and home/away football games. Chief Information Officer, Michelle Lawrence advised that we had previously used a contract person from St. Elizabeth with a salary of \$2500.00 to attend all home football season games and another \$160.00 per special events. St. Elizabeth ended the contract. Board Attorney, Jake Thompson advised that he had checked on professional insurance coverage and we will be covered. As far as the medical records, we can manage these through excel.

Order #2020-1882 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve creation of Athletic Trainer position & job description passed with a motion by Mr. Hargis Davis and a second by Mrs. Sonya Giles.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

V.d. Review/Approve Athletic Trainer salary schedule

Order #2020-1883 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve Athletic Trainer salary schedule passed with a motion by Mrs. Sonya Giles and a second by Mr. Chuck Toler.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

V.e. Review/Approval Gallatin County Return to Sports Plan

Discussion:

Board Member, Sonya Giles told the Board and the public that she had been thinking about all the conversations she had been having the last couple of weeks and had written down her thoughts along the way. She read her thoughts aloud. The Board also heard comments from Tony Foster and Jamie Johnson from the public at this time. Chairman, Hargis Davis made motion with certain stipulations. Member, Rebecca Burgett 2nd motion and asked the question, "Do parents need waivers?". Attorney Thompson advised the use acknowledgement is needed and is in place. CIO, Michelle Lawrence advised we have this acknowledgment form to sign when parents enroll students. Mrs. Burgett agrees, supports and voted yes. Vice Chair, Sonya Giles agrees, supports and voted yes. Member Amanda Dunavent agrees, supports and voted yes. Member, Chuck Toler supports and voted no. Chairman, Hargis Davis supports and voted no.

Order #2020-1884 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve Return to Sports Plan with opening of all Academic Clubs, and Sports Programs as laid out in Return to Competition Plan for Grades 6-12 with the addition of, all coaches will provide a seating chart to the bus driver for away games and ensure athletes remain in their assigned seats passed with a motion by Mr. Hargis Davis and a second by Mrs. Rebecca Burgett.

3 Yeas - 2 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	No
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	No

V.f. Discuss/Approve Intent to return for In Person Instruction October 12, 2020

Order #2020-1885 - Motion Passed: Motion to approve the intent or consider a plan to open schools on October 12, 2020 passed with a motion by Mr. Hargis Davis and a second by Mrs. Sonya Giles.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

VI. Adjourn

Order #2020-1886 - Motion Passed: Motion made to adjourn passed with a motion by Mr. Hargis Davis and a second by Mr. Chuck Toler.

5 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Mrs. Rebecca Burgett	Yes
Mr. Hargis Davis	Yes
Mrs. Amanda Dunavent	Yes
Mrs. Sonya Giles	Yes
Mr. Chuck Toler	Yes

Chairperson

Superintendent