

The Grinnell-Newburg Board of Education met in Regular Session on April 13, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Grinnell-Newburg Community High School in the Media Center, 1333 Sunset Street, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Members Present: Barbara Brown, Meg Jones Bair, Jeff Knobloch, Jonathan Nance, Helen Redmond, Dustin Smith, and Jeff Smith

Members Absent: None

Also in attendance at the table: Superintendent Todd Abrahamson and Board Treasurer/Secretary Lisa Johnson.

Administrators Present: Principals Brian Conway, Jeff Kirby, Kevin Seney, Sarah Seney, Sara Hegg-Dunne, Activities Director Chris Coffman, and Technology Integrationist Bill Gruman

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Brown called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board Secretary Johnson called the roll. Seven members were in attendance. Jones Bair read the District's Mission and Vision statement.

2. Fiduciary

No Comments

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by J. Smith, seconded by D. Smith to approve the consent agenda.

A. Approve/Amend Agenda

B. Minutes: 3/30/16 Minutes 4/4/16 Finance Minutes 4/6/16 Facilities Minutes

C. Claims and Accounts

D. Financials

E. Personnel:

1. Resignations: Courtney Ives: paraeducator; Jill Whitham: SPED/Title 1 Instructor; Amanda Pearce: HS Behavior Specialist; Joe Quick: MS Counselor; Joe Quick: Head 8th grade Boys Track; Mike Anderson: Special Education Instructor and Head Boys Track Coach

2. Offerings: Carly Sis: 6th grade Science; David Winkleblack: HS Industrial Technology; Tony Gallo: Assistant Girls Soccer Coach; Lisa Leris: Elementary/Middle School Nurse

3. Transfer: Farrah Deppe: 5th grade MS to Davis Elementary 3rd grade; Bryan

Woods: MS Science to HS Science; Trudy Tish: .08 PK Paraprofessional to 1.0 PK Paraprofessional

- 4. Open Enrollment In:** Memphis Cranston: 1st grade from Lynnville-Sully; Mackenzie Clayton: kindergarten from Brooklyn; Rory Whisenand: kindergarten from Newton; Arden Whisenand: kindergarten from Newton

Motion carried 7-0.

4. Communication from the Public

Paraeducator, Jan Warnick, requests paraeducators be considered in the Apple Lease in order to better help them do their jobs.

5. Communications and Reports

A. Board

Jones Bair attended Elementary Student/Family Clinician Amy Harper's presentation on children's anxiety. Knobloch stated the Finance committee and the Association are working on negotiations and he feels they will come to an agreement soon. He also referenced the lack of funding for the literacy laws. Brown stated she has brought this up with legislators. J. Smith stated he loved seeing all the preschool children at the preschool fair.

6. Old Business

A. Approve Apple Quote and Financial Services, and Current Diamond Assets (Buyback)

Abrahamson stated the District continued to meet this week to refine the lease with Apple. He stated they would like to remove the Applecare and go with the current breakdown insurance the District uses. He also stated the paras would be issued repurposed Macbook Pros from the current lease. Principal Kirby stated the District will be selling back any equipment the District no longer needs. Brown highlighted the training offered through the plan, which includes training for 4 individuals at Apple, as well as on site training (2 days) this summer and throughout the year.

Motion by Knobloch, seconded by Redmond to approve the Apple quote, financial services and current diamond assets (buyback).

Motion carried 7-0.

7. New Business

A. Approve FEH Architects & Associates Recommendation and Award Contract and Alternate 1 for High School Tennis Courts to Manatts Construction

John Karrmann of FEH explained the original contract needed to be approved, and Alternate 1 needed to be approved, to reduce the total bid to the agreed amount.

Motion by Jones Bair, seconded by Nance to award the contract and Alternate 1 for the High School Tennis Courts to Manatts Construction for \$920,617.

Motion carried 7-0.

B. Approve FEH Architects & Associates Recommendation and Award Revised Contract amount including Change Order 1 for High School Tennis Courts to Manatts Construction

John Karrmann of FEH stated the original completion date was August 1, 2016 but the date needs to be pushed back to later in the fall. The project will be ready for the season in the spring.

Motion by Knobloch, seconded by J. Smith to award the revised contract amount including Change Order 1 for the High School Tennis Courts to Manatts Construction for \$873,317.

Motion carried 7-0.

C. Review and Approval of Award for New Baseball /Softball Restroom project. Recommendation by FEH Design on Contractor pricing

Abrahamson stated both renovation and reconstruction were explored. Due to the small difference in price, reconstruction is being recommended. Brown asked for clarification on which budget the project will be funded from; Johnson noted it would be from SAVE. The new restrooms will serve baseball, softball, and tennis.

Motion by J. Smith, seconded by Jones Bair to award the new baseball/softball restroom project to Beck Construction for \$114,900. Coffman stated it will be in the same location.

Motion carried 7-0.

D. Approve auditorium projector quote

Abrahamson stated the District has been considering this project for several years, and as costs have come down a project like this has become more feasible. Brown clarified this includes a new screen and projector. Teacher Mike Hunter stated the number of lumen needed is significant due the presentations done with the house lights on. He noted there is some other small but necessary work that will need to be done as well. The projector will be mounted on the booth itself. Due to the distance from the booth to the screen, an additional lense is needed. Coffman stated this project is overdue and the current system does not match the needs of our programming.

Motion by Nance, seconded by Knobloch to approve the auditorium projector quote for \$40,128.43.

Motion carried 7-0.

E. Approve high school floor resurfacing quote for the training room, locker rooms, and showers

Abrahamson explained the necessity of resurfacing due to health concerns of mold and mildew. Coffman stated garage paint has been used as a temporary fix, but it is not appropriate as it keeps chipping. Coffman stated he has researched various options and chose this because the process will include sanding the old floor up and recover it with material that is cleanable and is not slick.

Motion by Jones Bair, seconded by D. Smith to approve the high school floor resurfacing quote for the training room, locker rooms, and showers for \$27,212.

Motion carried 7-0.

F. Approve administrative budget reduction of the Director of Instruction & Curriculum

Tammy Strawser asked who is picking up those responsibilities as she feels those are necessary tasks. Brown stated Dr. Stutz will lead that effort when she gets here.

Motion by Redmond, seconded by D. Smith to approve the administrative budget reduction of the Director of Instruction & Curriculum.

Motion carried 7-0.

8. Board Discussion - none

9. Board Talking Points - none

10. Adjournment

Motion by Jones Bair, seconded by J. Smith to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 7-0.
Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Board Calendar:

Regular Board Meeting	6:00 p.m., April 27, 2016
Facilities Work Session	8:00 a.m., May 4, 2016
SIAC Work Session	5:00 p.m., May 4, 2016