

Alburgh Board of School Directors

Minutes of March 13, 2014

Alburgh Community Education Center

In Attendance: GISU Superintendent Robert Phillips, Michael Savage, John Goodrich, Rene "Skip" Prairie, Alton Bruso and Allyson Sweeney

Mr. Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:18pm. Reorganization of the Board took place where Skip nominated Mr. Savage to be *Chair*. This motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bruso and was approved unanimously. Mr. Goodrich nominated Ms. Sweeney for *Clerk*. This motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bruso and was approved unanimously. Mr. Bruso nominated that the *Truant Officer* continue to be the GI Sheriff. This was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Prairie and approved unanimously. Mr. Goodrich nominated Mr. Bruso for *Vice Chair*. This was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Prairie and was approved.

**Committees:**

Executive: Mr. Savage and Mr. Bruso

Personnel: Mr. Goodrich, Ms. Sweeney and Mr. Bruso

Curriculum: Mr. Prairie and Mr. Goodrich

Policy: Mr. Goodrich and Mr. Prairie

Negotiations: Mr. Goodrich, Mr. Prairie and Ms. Sweeney

Bussing: Mr. Savage

Mr. Bruso moved to set meeting time at every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 5:00pm. Mr. Goodrich 2<sup>nd</sup> this and was approved.

Adjustment of Agenda: 2 personnel issues added to the **Executive Session**.

Reviewed Minutes for Board meetings of February 26<sup>th</sup> and March 7<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Bruso moved to approve both sets of Minutes and Mr. Prairie 2<sup>nd</sup> both were approved, unanimously,

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mr. Phillips discussed recent VSBA topics of new Bills being discussed in legislature. This includes a *Residency Bill & Consolidation Bill*. Mr. Phillips discussed a search process for a new Business Manager for GISU. There will be a meeting held next week on Monday or Wednesday evening to discuss process. Next Supervisory Union Meeting will be on 4/27/14 at 7pm.

Current principal, Ms. Cerro's, evaluation is underway. Mr. Phillips met with faculty last week. Mr. Goodrich moved that we offer a contract to Ms. Cerro pending Board's review of this contract on 3/14/14. Mr. Prairie 2<sup>nd</sup> this motion and was approved.

**Board Discussion:** The Board reviewed the first proposed FY15 Budget that did not pass and took into consideration proposed changes presented by Mr. Phillips on Ms. Cerro's behalf. Mr.

Prairie moved that a new budget of \$5,305,513.00 to be placed on the ballot for voting on 4/22/14 with an informational meeting the night prior, 4/21/14, at 7:30pm. Mr. Goodrich 2<sup>nd</sup> this motion and it was approved unanimously.

Board discussed use of building for Fire School and Zumba. Mr. Goodrich moved to approve building use for both and Mr. Prairie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Both were approved.

**Board Action:** Payment of Bills presented by Mr. Brusio. Mr. Goodrich moved that we approve Bills for Payment. This was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Prairie and approved.

**Executive Session:** At 8:50pm Mr. Brusio moved to enter **Executive Session** to discuss and Mr. Prairie 2<sup>nd</sup>. This motion was approved. **Executive Session** in order to discuss two personnel matters. **Executive Session** ended at 9:46pm. The Board took no action.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Brusio moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50pm. Mr. Goodrich 2<sup>nd</sup> this motion and it was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

(abs.) John Goodrich Alton Brusio  
Allyson Sweeney, Clerk      John Goodrich      Alton Brusio  
Rene Prairie      Michael Savage  
Rene "Skip" Prairie      Michael Savage, Chairman