

## **Madison-Grant United School Corporation**

August 21, 2023 Madison-Grant Conference Room– 7:00 p.m.  
Minutes of the School Board Meeting

The Board of School Trustees of the Madison-Grant United School Corporation met for a School Board Meeting on Monday August 21, 2023 in the Madison-Grant Conference Room, 11700S – E00W, Fairmount, Indiana 46928.

At 7:00 pm, the regular meeting was called to order by Vice President Dr. Katti Sneed, Mr. Vore offered prayer, then the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Sneed

Members present were: Mrs. Mary Jo Brunt, Wendy Longacre, Mr. Bruce Stanley, David Whybrew, Dr. Katti Sneed, and Mrs. Amanda Kelich, Mr. John Hanes. Also in attendance: Mr. Steve Vore, Superintendent, Ben Mann, CFO

Absent: None

Mr. Vore presented the Mission and Vision statements of Madison-Grant United School Corporation.

Mrs. Brunt asked if there were any members of the public wishing to speak. Mrs. Mary Walker stood and addressed concerns with the way the school district / administration responds to potential weather delays. She also expressed concerns about the cafeteria and worried about having enough meals for all students. She also expressed her gratitude for being able to pay cash versus strictly credit card at sporting events

The first item on the agenda was Spotlight on Education. During the time the building administrators introduced some of their new staff and provided background information.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the regular school board meeting held on August 7, 2023 This was approved upon a motion made by Mr. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kelich.

Accounts Payable checks 33992-34055 totaling \$143,994.06 and Vouchers V501537-501544 totaling \$444,923.54 and the payroll of August 18, 2023 totaling \$283,540.66. The claims were approved upon a motion by Mr. Stanley and seconded by Mr. Hanes

The following personnel items were approved upon a motion made by Mrs. Kelich and Seconded by Dr. Sneed. Mr. Stanley abstained from the vote

### Resignations

- Annika Reisktyl – JH Honor Society Sponsor – Effective August 10, 2023
- Danielle Davis – PES – Aide – Effective 8/11/23

## Recommendations

- Ted Bruche - JR/SR High - Volunteer Boys Basketball - 23/24 Season
- Lawrence Tricker - PES - 3rd Grade Teacher - Temporary Contract - Anticipated start date August 22, 2023
- Brooque Hull - JR/SR High - Volunteer Volleyball Coach- 23/24 Season
- Meylissa Stanley - JR/SR High- ECA - 11th Grade Class Sponsor
- Alice Bennett - ECA - Library Oversight

The following donations were approved upon a motion made by Mr. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kelich.

- Jr/Sr High Band Department - Received \$200.00 from James and Wendy Longacre
- Jr/Sr High Art Department - Received \$1000.00 from James and Wendy Longacre

The following fundraiser request were approved upon a motion made by Mrs. Longacre and seconded by Mrs. Kelich

- Lori Rogers with the Dramatically Correct Drama Club is requesting permission to sell Little Caesar Pizza kits beginning in August and running through September 2023. The money raised will help help to support this year's production with costumes, props, set supplies
- Lori Rogers with the Dramatically Correct Drama Club is requesting permission to sponsor a Halloween Dance for grades 7-8. The dance will be October 27th from 6-8pm. The money raised will help help to support this year's production with costumes, props, set supplies
- Lori Rogers - Dramatically Correct Drama Club is requesting permission to sell John's Kettle Corn for the month of September. The money raised will help help to support this year's production with costumes, props, set supplies
- Allison Saathoff - Art Department - Requesting permission to hold an adult crafting class. The cost is \$25.00 per participant. Participants will be making a sunflower market bag. Money raised will support the art department.
- Hope Lugar & Suzie Klee - PES Unified /Best Buddies - Requesting permission to collect teacher / staff coffee orders every other Friday and deliver them. The

money raised will be used to continue to support Unified/Best Buddies activities.

The next item on the agenda was the Lease and additional appropriations Hearing. President Brunt opened the meeting at 7:26pm.

President Brunt invited the public to speak - There was none

The first item on the agenda was Mr. Mann requested a resolution authorizing the execution of the lease. As required by the School Leasing Statute (IC 20-47-3), after a hearing, the School Board must approve the Lease and authorize the officers to execute such agreement. The lease payments will be paid to the Building Corporation and used to pay the bond holders. This was approved upon a motion made by Dr. Sneed and seconded by Mr. Stanley.

President Brunt invited the public to speak regarding the additional appropriations- There was none

The next item on the agenda was Mr. Mann, CFO is requesting approval of the Additional Appropriation Resolution.

The School Corporation will receive money for the sale of the real estate to the Building Corporation. Since this money was not initially listed in the School Corporation's annual budget, the School Corporation is required to hold a hearing for the "additional" appropriation of those funds. This was approved upon a motion made by Mr. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kelich

The next item on the agenda was Mr. Mann, CFO is requesting authorization for the Corporation to receive bids and/or contracts and awards bids and / or contracts under State law but then assigns those bids and/or contracts to the Building Corporation. This was approved upon a motion made by Mr. Stanley and seconded by Dr. Sneed

The final item on the agenda was the Resolution Authorizing the supplement to Master Continuing Disclosure undertaking. The resolution satisfies the Securities and Exchange Commission requirement that a school corporation enter into a Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking Agreement if it issues bonds to public investors. This was approved upon a motion made by Mr. Stanley and seconded by Mrs. Kelich

President Brunt adjourned the Lease and additional appropriations Hearing at 7:40pm.

The first action item on the agenda was Mr. Mann requesting Board approval to advertise the 2024 budget, Capital Projects Plan, and the Bus Replacement Plan. The Form 3 Notice to Taxpayers (2024 Budget), Capital Projects Plan Notice to Taxpayers, and Bus Replacement Plan Notice to Taxpayers will be submitted through Gateway and published on our Corporation website. All postings must occur at least 10 days

prior to the budget hearing (currently scheduled for September 11,2023). This was approved upon a motion made by Mrs. Kelich and seconded by Mr. Stanley.

President Brunt asked if there were any miscellaneous items.

Mr. Vore provided the following Superintendent's updates

- Provided an update on the first two weeks of school.
  - Slight increase in ADM
- Transportation - Continues to be fluid as we continue to have students moving in and out of the corporation
- New Teachers
  - We are excited about all of the new teachers that have become part of the team
- ISBA Fall Conference dates September 25 & 26
- Reminder that the second board meeting in September has been moved to Wednesday the 27th instead of the regular Monday meeting.

Mrs. Brunt asked if any members of the public would like to speak: None spoke

Mrs. Brunt addressed the concerns that Mrs. Walker had at the beginning of the meeting. She explained the procedures that the administrators take when inclement weather is approaching. She expressed that student safety is a priority to the board. Mrs. Brunt also addressed the lunch shortage. She stated that she had not heard anything regarding the situation, but knows the cafeteria team works hard to ensure all students receive a meal. She advised Mrs. Walker to always contact the building principal if this situation was to happen again.

Mrs. Brunt asked for any school board expressions:

Dr. Sneed recognized the sports teams and their accomplishments thus far

Mr. Vore announced the upcoming Board Meeting at Madison- Grant as follows:

- September 11,2023 - 7:00p.m. Regular School Board Meeting at the Madison-Grant Boardroom
- September 27, 2023- 7:00p.m. Regular School Board Meeting at the Madison-Grant Boardroom.

A motion to adjourn the regular School Board Meeting at 8:00pm. was made by Mrs. Longacre and seconded by Mr. Stanley

\_\_\_\_\_ President

*Mary Jo Brunt*

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary

*Amanda Kelich*

\_\_\_\_\_ Vice President

*Katti Sneed*

\_\_\_\_\_ Asst. Secretary

*John Hanes*

\_\_\_\_\_ Board Member

*David Whybrew*

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*Bruce Stanley*

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*Wendy Longacre*