

**EL PASO GRIDLEY CUSD #11**  
**REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**



November 28, 2016    7:00 p.m.    Centennial School Library

President David Mool called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following Board members present: Jeremy Faulk, John Hartness, David Mool, Brian Stoller, and Josh Uphoff. Ed Faulk was present via conference call. Board member Randy Barth was absent. Administrators present: Superintendent Michael Lindy, J.P. /G.G.S. Principal Kelly Throneburg, Centennial Principal Tim Fairchild, E.P.G.H.S. Principal Brian Quam, Curriculum Director Dr. Nicole Rummel, and Bookkeeper Susan Stella. Administrators absent included E.P.G.J.H.S. Principal Robby Tomlinson and Building Facilities Manager J. T. Carr.

A motion was made by John Hartness and seconded by Josh Uphoff to approve the agenda as presented. All yeas. The motion carried six to zero.

Visitors included Brad Griffin, Dave Ferrenburg, Sara VanScyoc, Jim Taylor, and Cara Howard (*El Paso Journal*).

Several thank-you cards were read.

A motion was made by Brian Stoller and seconded by John Hartness to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on October 24, 2016
- Approve Closed Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on October 24, 2016
- Approve Financial Reports
- Approve Bills
- Approve Rebecca Gruen's Retirement at the End of the 2016-2017 School Year
- Accept Erin Probst's Resignation as Academic Club Leader
- Approve Hiring Karen Mool as Centennial Academic Club Sponsor for the 2016-2017 School Year
- Approve Hiring Mackenzie Cannon as the Seventh Grade Girls Volleyball Coach for the 2016-2017 School Year
- Approve Doug Wuethrich's Retirement Effective at the End of the 2019-2020 School Year
- Approve Abby Young's Leave Request
- Approve Surplus Items
- Approve Penny Grusy's Retirement Effective at the End of the 2019-2020 School Year

All yeas. The motion carried six to zero.

Written reports were submitted earlier by the principals, Director of Instruction, and Superintendent.

High School Principal Brian Quam said the auditorium will be used for the Winter Conference and the high school choir will be singing the National Anthem at the upcoming U of I Game.

Tim Fairchild is very proud of the students at Centennial School and their families for all of the donations received to send to the Marines stationed in Germany.

PK-3 Principal Kelly Throneburg mentioned the upcoming performance at Barnes & Noble and the Christmas Programs. She was also excited that on December 11<sup>th</sup>, our third graders will be singing the National Anthem at the ISU Game.

Superintendent Michael Lindy informed the Board that he is expecting at least one bus bid by the end of this week.

Dave Mool reported on the two conferences he attended.

John Hartness talked about some seminars on finances he went to, and also his discussion with an FFA Representative about various things we can do to help our program.

Mr. Lindy reviewed the tentative tax levy for 2016. While the actual tax rate will drop by \$.05, the overall rate is up 4.7%. EAV is up to about 7 million which is significantly higher than the last five or so years. Revenue change is about \$330,000

Overall, the cost of fuel is a little higher but DEF is \$.20 lower. With the same amount of gallon usage, our exposure should be about the same as last year. The Committee recommends the low bid from Evergreen FS.

The Workman's compensation insurance renewal shows a savings of \$719 over last year.

A motion was made by Jeremy Faulk and seconded by John Hartness to approve the fixed fuel bid from Evergreen FS for 2016-2017. All yeas. The motion carried six to zero.

A motion was made by John Hartness and seconded by Brian Stoller to approve the Workman's Compensation Insurance Renewal as presented. All yeas. The motion carried six to zero.

A motion was made by John Hartness and seconded by Brian Stoller to adjourn to Closed Session at 7:28 p.m. to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. All yeas. The motion carried six to zero.

A motion was made by John Hartness and seconded by Ed Faulk to adjourn from Closed Session at 9:25 p.m. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

A motion was made by Brian Stoller and seconded by Dave Mool to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m. All yeas. The motion carried seven to zero.

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education