

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GILMANTON

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting of January 30, 2025

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Board President Daren Bauer. Present: Daren Bauer, Jackson Serum (7:40 p.m.), Jeremiah Bauer, Tammi Olson, Lance Peterson, Jill Alexander, and Kory Rud. Absent: Jay Hebert. Visitors Present: None. Teachers/Staff Present: Jamey Davis, Connie Hovey, and Kerri Johnson. Students Present: None.

Flag Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was stated by all persons in attendance.

Community Communications

No community communications.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Jeremiah Bauer the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded Lance Peterson. The monthly vouchers in the amount of \$87,823.63, the Open Session minutes of December 18, 2024, and a Donation of \$100 from Cynthia Longseth in memory of Kevin Longseth and \$360 from the Alliance Bank Debit Card Program were approved. Motion carried 4-0.

Action Agenda Items

Old Business

Administrative Contracts

Discussion of contracts moved to Closed Session with a motion from Jackson Serum seconded by Lance Peterson at 8:56 p.m. Roll call vote carried 5-0. Reconvene to Open Session with a motion from Jeremiah Bauer seconded by Lance Peterson at 9:08 p.m. No action taken.

Other

No other business presented.

New Business

2025-2026 School Calendar

The draft school calendar for 2025-26 school year was reviewed. The draft of calendar option number 2 was approved with an amendment to replace one instructional day with a staff development day on a motion from Jeremiah Bauer and seconded by Lance Peterson. Motion carried 5-0.

Special & Regular Education Open Enrollment Spaces for 2025-2026

A motion was made by Jeremiah Bauer, seconded by Lance Peterson, to approve open enrollment unlimited regular education spaces for the 2025-26 school year and cap special education open enrollment spaces at zero. Due to the district's caseload formulas, there are no spaces available in any cross categorical special education services at any grade level. This formula is based on the students with IEPs to special education teacher ratio of 15:1.

For non-resident students wishing to open enroll, services are limited to Gilmanton School District's existing special education programs. The District does not currently have special education programming for students with IEPs receiving 1:1 services, and it partners with neighboring districts to provide more intensive services to students. More intensive special education services are considered to be outside of Gilmanton School District's existing special education programs.

The School District of Gilmanton contracts out of District for the following: Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH), Visual Impairment (VI), Early Childhood (EC), Speech & Language, Intellectual Disability (ID), Occupational Therapy (OT), Physical Therapy (PT), Audiology, and Interpretation.

All IEPs will be reviewed by the Director of Special Education and/or appropriate district staff to determine if the student's special education and related service needs as stated in the IEP can be met within the District prior to approval.

Motion carried 4-0.

Tax and Revenue Anticipation Promissory Note

Jeremiah Bauer made a motion to renew the \$650,000 short-term borrowing loan. The loan is only used if the need for cash flow becomes evident. Lance Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Winter Sports Co-op Renewal for 2025-26 & 2026-27 Boys & Girls Basketball, Wrestling

A review of the co-op for both basketball programs and wrestling with Independence were discussed. Lance Peterson made the motion to approve the renewal of the co-op with Independence as host school, Jeremiah Bauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Board Policies 2264 and 2266

Jeremiah Bauer approved the first reading of the amendments to Board Policies 2264 and 2266. Lance Peterson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Other

After a brief discussion Lance Peterson made the motion to approve a field trip to Prairie Island Nuclear Generation Plant for the 3rd week of February for the freshman and sophomore science classes. Jeremiah Bauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Jeremiah Bauer and Daren Bauer gave an overview of the January WASB School Board Convention.

Informational Items/Other Reports

Principal's Report

School Year Update

Mrs. Alexander gave an update on Act 20; team building and school culture; and After-School Program updates, data, pros and cons.

Other

No other information presented.

Dean of Students Report

School Year Update

No information to report at this time.

Administrator's Report

Maintenance and Operation Update

The Board was updated maintenance projects.

Spring 2025 School Board Election

Two candidates have filed a Declaration of Candidacy for School Board. A drawing to determine the order of names on the Ballot was done on January 14, 2025. The order is as follows: Position 1 Daren Bauer, Position 2 Jeremiah Bauer.

School Year Update

Mr. Rud reported updates on DPI school district building codes; building and contents insurance; golf program; the recent Free Meal December program; District January pupil count; esports; robotics; Destination Imagination; E-rate; Wisconsin Fast Forward Grants; and teacher request for leave.

Budget Report by Objective

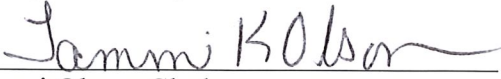
The budget was reviewed and discussed.

Other

We have a new substitute worker in the kitchen.

The February School Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 5:15 p.m.

Motion by Jeremiah Bauer seconded by Lance Peterson to adjourn at 9:20 pm.



Tammi Olson, Clerk

