

## **GREENWOOD SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

### **JANUARY 16, 2025**

The Greenwood School Board met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, January 16, 2025, in the Administration Building. Members present were Todd Hales, Stephanie Griffith, Cliff James, Dr. Kelli Henning, Dr. Brad Johnson, Elysa Turner and Superintendent John Ciesla. Absent was Greg Hasley.

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Todd Hales. The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance. (6:00 p.m.)

#### **II. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Mr. Zimmerman introduced the GJHS Musical Theatre students who performed several pieces from their upcoming performance of Alice in Wonderland, Jr. (6:10 p.m.)

#### **III. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

The consent agenda was approved as submitted. (6:11 p.m.)

#### **IV. VETERAN'S WAY STREET AT WESTWOOD ELEMENTARY**

Mr. Ciesla briefly updated the board on the progress the City of Greenwood has made on the road adjacent to Westwood Elementary School. **No vote needed.** (6:14 pm)

#### **V. 2023-2024 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT**

Justin Anthony from Hubbs and Whitefield, CPA's presented the 2023-2024 Audit Report. Per the report, the district received a "clean" audit with no findings. Mr. Ciesla then officially requested the board's approval of the audit report. **On a motion by Dr. Kelli Henning and a second by Stephanie Griffith, the Board voted 6-0 to approve this request.** (6:23 pm)

#### **VI. SCHOOL BOARD TRAINING HOURS**

Mr. Ciesla thanked the board for their service, as January is School Board Appreciation Month. He also reviewed the number of hours of professional development (PD) each member received over the course of the 2024 year. In addition, Mr. Ciesla mentioned the Greenwood School Board was recognized by ASBA as a Master Board. In order to receive Master Board status, all members must accumulate a total of 50 hours of professional development. **On a motion by Elysa Turner and a second by Cliff James, the Board voted 6-0 to approve this request.** (6:26 pm)

#### **VII. EAST HILLS INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT**

Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Richey presented interim assessment results and how the data will be utilized to guide instruction and intervention at EHMS in

preparation for the administration of the ATLAS exam later this spring. **No vote needed.** (6:35 pm)

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**The Board retired to executive session. Upon return to the open meeting, the Board voted to approve the following personnel items:**

**On a motion by Elysa Turner and a second by Cliff James, the Board voted 6-0 to hire Vanessa Wyrick as a paraprofessional and to extend the superintendent's contract an additional year through the 2027-2028 school year. (7:05 pm)**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**The Board voted 6-0 to adjourn on a motion by Dr. Brad Johnson and a second by Elysa Turner. (7:06 pm)**

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**President**

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**Secretary**