BOARD OF EDUCATION
GLADSTONE AREA SCHOOLS
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MINUTES

Gladstone High School
2100 State Highway M35
Gladstone, MI 49837

The regular meeting of the Gladstone Area Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, September 22, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gladstone High School Library.

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Tackman at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present:	Henry Knoch, Nathan Neumeier, Andrew Sturdy, Steve Tackman, Joanna Wilbee-Amis
Members Absent:	Linda Howlett, Jesse Seger
Administrative:	Jay Kulbertis, Andy Jacques, Holly Howes, Katee Inghram, Lori Wells, Lisa Boudreau, Karen Fisher

The list of guests is recorded in the Administrative Office as part of the minute book.

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Board member Joanna Wilbee-Amis mentioned that the Online Safety Parent Session presentation is scheduled for October 16, at 6 p.m. at the Gladstone High School and is open to the public. Board member Steve Tackman commented that the start of the school year looks great.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Henry Knoch and supported by Nathan Neumeier. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2022 regular meeting as presented was made by Henry Knoch and supported by Nathan Neumeier. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of general fund bills numbered 62810-62955 in the amount of $512,943.64 was made by Nathan Neumeier and supported by Andrew Sturdy. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Dr. Kulbertis updated board members on rollout of the State budget and school resource officer.

Motion to approve the hire of Jenna Rubick as key club advisor, Christina Faymonville as national honor society advisor and Karleen Thorbahn as freshman class advisor was made by Joanna Wilbee-Amis and supported by Andrew Sturdy. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to accept letter of resignation from Audrey Marenger, Mitchell Kelly and Amber Soderman as Teamster employees was made by Henry Knoch and supported by Andrew Sturdy. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the hire of Thomas Flemal, Patrick Robinson, Barbara Hartman, Alexis Schnurer, Maria Leeseberg and Kevin Jones as Teamster employees was made by Nathan Neumeier and supported by Henry Knoch. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the hire of Toby Wagner as assistant freshman football coach was made by Joanna Wilbee-Amis and supported by Henry Knoch. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve a 3 year snow plowing contract with St John Trucking & Excavating was made by Andrew Sturdy and supported by Joanna Wilbee-Amis. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve virtual course catalogs Michigan Virtual, Odyssey Ware and UPVA was made by Henry Knoch and supported by Andrew Sturdy. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve distance learning delivery of our regular in-person classes was made by Nathan Neumeier and supported by Joanna Wilbee-Amis. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve a medical leave of absence from James Gunville was made by Andrew Sturdy and supported by Nathan Neumeier. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to go in to closed session for attorney-client communication and re-instatement hearing was made by Nathan Neumeier and supported by Joanna Wilbee-Amis. Rollcall vote: Ayes –Andrew Sturdy, Henry Knoch, Steve Tackman, Joanna Wilbee-Amis, Nathan Neumeier; Nays –None. Motion carried.
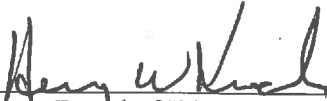
Close session adjourned at 7:03 p.m. and moved back in to open session at 7:05 p.m.

Motion to approve the re-instatement of student AH to the high school was made by Nathan Neumeier and supported by Henry Knoch. Ayes -5; Nays -0. Motion carried.

Audience member Whitney Maloney questioned and commented on an incident that happened at the Middle School end of last school year.

Motion to adjourn was made by Nathan Neumeier and supported by Andrew Sturdy. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

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Secretary, Board of Education

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