

Committee of the Whole Meeting – 6:30 pm
Tuesday, May 10, 2016
Genoa-Kingston Community Unit School District #424
Genoa-Kingston High School Community Room
980 Park Avenue Genoa, IL 60135

1. Call to Order
2. Impact Club Presentation
3. 2020 Survey
4. Building Handbooks and District Handbooks
5. Board Meeting Dates
6. Triple I Conference - November 2016
7. Cost Containment
8. Superintendent/Board Communication
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10. Closed session for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).
11. Reconvene to Open Session
12. Adjournment

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Call to Order

President Paul Kruse called the Genoa-Kingston CUSD #424 Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Present: Taunya Fischer, Angie Lauderdale, Kristen Andrews, Barb Gustafson, Kristin Brynteson, Paul Kruse

Absent: Heather Edwards

Impact Club Presentation

Mr. Burgess introduced Ms. Wilkins.

Ms. Wilkins introduced several Impact Club students who presented and discussed their anti-bullying campaigns for the 2015-2016 school year.

Ms. Wilkins stated winners of the anti-bullying campaign will win a pizza party and all students work will be displayed at the Genoa-Public Library.

Mr. Burgess stated peer interaction is one of the most effective models of impacting the behavior of young students and young adults.

Kruse asked if the Impact Club will share presentations with students in the fall as a reminder. He also asked if the anti-bullying presentations would be available online.

Ms. Wilkins stated sharing presentations, and posters will all schools in the fall as well as having a link to all presentations available on the district website. She also stated recently inviting a young author to share experiences and books to help students deal with the topic of bullying.

2020 Survey

Mr. Burgess stated Dr. Steinbach has helped to create an annual survey to access information from families regarding technology use and integration in our schools. He also stated using the data to assist the Vision 2020 community group in goal setting and adult education opportunities next year.

Building Handbooks and District Handbooks

The 2016-2017 district and individual building handbooks were reviewed by the Board of Education.

Mr. Burgess stated the handbook committee updated the handbooks with SB100 language and used legal counsel to revise updated legislation in Illinois.

Mr. Francis stated updates were made to support Senate Bill 100.

Kruse asked if the handbooks will be available online.

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Mr. Francis stated all handbooks will be posted on the district website.

The Board will seek approval of the District and Building Handbooks at the Tuesday, May 24, 2016 Board of Education meeting.

Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Burgess asked the Board to review the tentative 2016-2017 Board of Education Meeting dates for the 2016-2017 school year.

Kruse asked if the November meeting date was late enough in the month to pay all the bills.

Dr. Shortridge stated the district pays as many of the anticipated bills by the November meeting date. He also stated the Board generally will give special permission and approve payment of any additional bills needed to be paid.

The Board will seek approval of the 2016-2017 Board Meeting Dates at the Tuesday, May 24, 2016 Board of Education Meeting.

Triple I Conference - November 2016

Mr. Burgess asked the Board to indicate intent to attend the IASB conference in November; the hotel listing and reservation form will be arriving soon to the district.

Kruse asked the date of the conference.

Mrs. Mulso stated November 18, 2016 through November 21, 2016

Mr. Burgess stated housing reservations will be made separate from the triple I conference.

Cost Containment

Mr. Burgess shared a draft of information to discuss at the May 17th community meeting with the Board.

Mr. Burgess stated the Board will hold a special community meeting on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7:00 pm. in the high school auditorium.

Mr. Burgess and Mr. Kruse discussed the meeting agenda.

Kruse stated questions would be addressed one at a time.

Brynteson stated the purpose of the meeting is for the Board to present information and listen to questions and concerns from the community.

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Kruse stated making it clear the Board has not made any decisions at this time.

Andrews asked if both Mr. Burgess and Dr. Shortridge will be presenting.

Mr. Burgess stated he and Dr. Shortridge will be doing the presentation.

Brynteson recommended some changes for slide #3.

Kruse Stated he may not be able to attend the community meeting.

Andrews asked if all facilities and usage options will be discussed at the community meeting. She also recommended the community view the new building option to see if there was any interest.

Mr. Burgess stated presenting all facilities and usage options to the community.

Superintendent/Board Communication

Superintendent Search Brochure

Mr. Burgess shared a draft of the Superintendent Brochure. He also asked the board for input into the brochure.

Brynteson asked what the deadline was regarding input for the superintendent brochure.

Mr. Burgess stated a July 1, 2016 deadline.

Teacher Appreciation week activities

Mr. Burgess stated Teacher Appreciation week was May 2, 2016 – May 6, 2016. Mr. Burgess stated all buildings had generous donations of food by parents and members of the community.

IASBO Presentation

Mr. Burgess stated recently attending the IASBO (School Business Officials Conference). Mr. Burgess stated he did a presentation on crisis management from a small schools perspective versus a large district with a crisis team.

Graduation/Promotion information

Mr. Burgess stated the Graduation/Promotion timeline.

High School Graduation is Sunday, May 15, 2016 1:00 pm.
Middle School Promotion is Monday, May 16, 2016 7:00 pm.

End of School Year activities

Mr. Burgess stated the end of the year activities.

Last Day of School is May 20, 2016

Teacher Last Day is May 23, 2016

Future Agenda Items

Building and Grounds Presentation

Treasurers Bond

PRESS Policies for approval

District and Building Handbooks

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A motion was made by Brynteson, and seconded by Gustafson, to convene to closed session for discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) at 7:02 pm.

Ayes: Fischer, Lauderdale, Andrews, Gustafson, Brynteson, Kruse

Motion Carried.

Reconvene to Open Session

The board reconvened to open session at 7:20 pm.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Angie Lauderdale, seconded by Barb Gustafson, to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting at 7:21 pm.

Voice vote: Ayes: 6

Nays: 0.

Motion carried.

Paul Kruse, Board President

Heather Edwards, Board Secretary