

***The mission of Garden County Schools is to develop individuals who will meet the challenges of a diverse society.***

**GARDEN COUNTY SCHOOLS' BUDGET HEARING MINUTES**

*(Pending October Board Approval)*

A public hearing to review the proposed 2012-13 budget took place prior to the regular meeting in the lower computer lab on Monday, September 10, 2012, at Garden County High School, Oshkosh, NE.

1. The hearing was called to order by President Miller at 7 PM for the purposes of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of patrons relating the proposed 2012-13 budget.
2. Open Meeting law guidelines posted on east wall in room were brought to the attention of all by President Miller.
3. Superintendent Sissel presented the proposed 2012-13 budget.
4. President Miller called for public comment (See procedures for public comment below\*).
5. There being no public comment, the hearing was closed at 7:07 PM by President Miller, with no decisions being made.

**GARDEN COUNTY SCHOOLS' FINAL TAX REQUEST HEARING MINUTES**

*(Pending October Board Approval)*

A public hearing to set the final tax request for the 2012-13 school year took place prior to the regular meeting in the lower computer lab on Monday, September 10, 2012, at Garden County High School, Oshkosh, NE.

1. The hearing was called hearing to order by President Miller at 7:08 PM for the purposes of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, or observations of patrons relating the proposed 2012-13 final tax request.
2. Open Mtg. law guidelines posted on east wall in room were brought to the attention of all by President Miller.
3. Superintendent Sissel presented the proposed 2012-13 final tax request.
4. President Miller called for public comment (See procedures for public comment below\*).
5. There being no public comment, the hearing was closed at 7:09 PM by President Miller, with no decisions being made.

**GARDEN COUNTY SCHOOLS' REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

*(Pending October Board Approval)*

A meeting of the Board of Education of Garden County Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, September 10, 2012 in the Board Room at Garden County High School, 200 West 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Oshkosh, NE. The following Board members were present or absent:

Present: Mike Fischer, Andrea Lake, Rex Miller, Kelly Reece, and Randy Stanczyk

Absent: Matt Ardissono

Also present: Maintenance Supervisor Rick Reece, Principal Jason Spady, and Supt. Paula Sissel

Guests: Nita Pirnie, Asiah Thompson (student), Michelle Dormann (guidance counselor)

*Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings in the Garden County News. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the*

*Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public .*

1. The meeting was duly called to order at 7:09 PM by President Miller, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting*

*At the beginning of this meeting, President Miller announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the east wall of the meeting room.*

2. Motion made by Stanczyk and seconded by Fischer to approve the agenda as presented.  
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk  
Voting against: None  
Motion carried.
3. Motion made by Fischer and seconded by Reece to approve the minutes as presented and claims for \$224,200.50.  
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk  
Voting against: None  
Motion carried.
4. Reports:  
Public comment-Asiah Thompson expressed desire to graduate early based on her postsecondary goals. Mrs. Dormann supported that she was currently in good standing and Board approved request, based on fulfillment of academic and attendance requirements (action will be taken in January). A parent letter will be sent stating criteria needing to be met to graduate early.  
Committee reports:  
Safety/Transportation-Alicap safety visit went well (report will be mailed and shared); Lisco bus route driver will be Marina Cruz (with Mrs. Dormann filling in as needed); VOA bus lease is being pursued with legal guidance sought.  
Building/Facility-GCJH water supply requires another reverse osmosis filter be added; GCE roof crew will come this week to finalize work; GCHS south gym floor will be looked at by insurance adjustor and Midwest Flooring.  
Technology- DL cart from Board room will be moved to upstairs library; another cart is being investigated, due to large number of students and staff using the system.  
Board-A. Lake shared patron concern about superintendent not being at GCJH enough, job description of Supt. was discussed  
Principals-Mr. Spady shared NWEA testing window is open and student fee status; Dr. Sissel shared GCE positive behavior support progress and Fri. celebrations; new teachers are doing a great job  
Supt.-staff random drug testing was discussed (legal advice was that teachers' union was not in favor; Supt. will seek additional input from surrounding districts); soccer field project was discussed with information still being gathered to project long term costs to district (school's liability will be investigated);
5. Discussion items:
  - A. Pledging at banks was reviewed and money will be moved from NE State Bank to Lisco and Lewellen banks to provide adequate pledging coverage.
  - B. State School Boards' Convention-Omaha (Nov. 14-16)
  - C. Next Steering Committee date is Oct. 3 at 3:45 PM (new goal will be reading related)
  - D. School health insurance plan was discussed with outside information being gathered and possible bids for a new group plan to be considered
6. Action items:
  - A. Motion made by Lake and seconded by Reece to adopt the 2012-13 budget as

presented.

Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk

Voting against: None

Motion carried.

- B. Motion made by Stanczyk and seconded by Fischer to set the 2012-13 final tax request as presented.

Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk

Voting against: None

Motion carried.

- C. Motion made by Fischer and seconded by Lake to approve Carney Scholarship requests as presented.

Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk

Voting against: None

Motion carried.

- D. Motion made by Reece and seconded by Fischer to approve the use of local substitutes.

Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk

Voting against: None

Motion carried.

- E. Motion made by Reece and seconded by Miller to accept the lower bid for the trail mower.

Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk

Voting against: None

Motion carried.

- F. Motion made by Lake and seconded by Stanczyk to accept the bid for the underground sprinkler system for area north of GCHS.

Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Reece, and Stanczyk

Voting against: None

Motion carried.

7. Date/time of next meeting-October 8, 2011 at 7 PM (following greenhouse tour).

8. President Miller adjourned the meeting at 8:23 PM.

DATED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2012.

GARDEN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
(35-0001)

BY: Rex Miller, President

ATTEST: Andrea Lake, Secretary  
Paula Sissel, Superintendent