





Monday March 16th

Secondary School in Garwin 12:30- 6:30 PM

641.499.2005

March 2020

GMG

Newsletter



March 6 th	JH Dance
March 7^{th}	Jazz Festival
March 9 th	School Board
Meeting in (Green Mountain
March 14 th	State Speech
March 16 th	Blood Drive
March 19 th	End of 3 rd
	Quarter
March 23 rd	No School
March 27-28	3 Musical
March 29 th	Honor Band
March 30 th	State Speech



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Mr. Frimml <u>cfrimml@gmgschools.org</u> 641.474.2251

Meeting Minutes

GMG Community School Board Meeting Garwin Tuesday, February 11, 2020 Regular Meeting, 6:30 PM Academic Calendar Public Hearing 7:00 PM

The GMG Board of Education met in regular session, on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, at 6:30 PM, in the library at the GMG High School in Garwin. Ann Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Members present were Ann Jackson, Randy Sienknecht, Doug Dieleman, Kyle Hall, Nathan Holven, Jill Roberts and Jackie Stonewall. Also present were Ben Petty, Chris Frimml, Nathan Kleinmeyer, Katie Mathern, Kelly Konicek, and Phyllis Konicek. Curt Bacon joined the meeting at 6:35 PM.

Consent Agenda

- 1. Board Meeting Agenda
- 2. January Regular Meeting Minutes
- 3. Bills Payable

4. Personnel – resignation of Adam Bauder as high school volleyball coach, pending finding suitable replacement, resignation of Donna Needham as FCS teacher, resignation and early retirement request from Tami McLean, and resignation and early retirement request from Andrea Samek.

Motion by Sienknecht, second by Stonewall, to approved the consent agenda with the removal of personnel items, letters C: Consideration of probationary teacher contract and letter E: Indoor Concessions Stand Manager. Motion carried with all ayes.

Recognition of Guests Present:

A concern was voiced to the Board.

Motion by Sienknecht, second by Dieleman, to terminate the probationary teacher contract of Joe Doyen, effective at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion by Hall to approve the indoor concessions stand manager position. Motion failed, due to a lack of a second.

Public Hearing for the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar was held at 7:08 PM. There were no questions or comments from the public.

Academic Calendar Hearing closed at 7:10 PM.

Motion by Sienknecht, second by Hall, to approve the 2020-2021 School Calendar. Motion carried with all ayes.

Reports:

Mr. Frimml reported the winter window for the FAST Assessments is closed. Data teams will meet to discuss the next steps with students. Currently, there are eight children signed up for preschool next year. Enrollment forms are available to parents at the elementary and online. Mr. Frimml was proud to report the elementary received a "commendable" rating from the Iowa Department of Education, on the Iowa School Performance Report. This is the second year with this rating.



Mr. Kleinmeyer reported the aisles in the bleachers have been installed. Staff is currently doing book studies on the following books: *Innovators Mindset* by George Couros, *The Energy Bus* by Jon Gordon, and *Dare to Lead* by Brene Brown. GMG Secondary received an "acceptable" rating from the Iowa Department of Education, on the Iowa School Performance Report, for the second straight year.

Business Manager, Katie Mathern, reported on the financials.

Superintendent, Ben Petty, reviewed the GMG 5-year financial forecast.

Commendations:

Motion by Hall, second by Holven, to approve the following commendations.

1. District Large Group Speech Contest I ratings: (Group Mime) Joaquin Fitzsimmons and

Owen Bovenmyer; (Short Film) Autumn Peterson, Angel Schewe, Frances Jackson,

Stephenie Claussen, and Jayden Hessenius; (TV News 1) Megan Kohn, Dalton Hurd, Hallie Claussen, and Aaron Simon; (Radio) Frances Jackson, Angel Schewe, Stephenie

Claussen, Abe Dieleman, and Chloe Cornwell; (Radio) Andrew Johnson, Robert Hartsell,

Grace Schewe, Dalton Hurd, and Hallie Claussen

2. Mr. Jaimie Gargas for making a great impact on the speech students and a job welldone coaching.

3. Connor Murty for first place in wrestling sectionals. Motion carried with all ayes.

Business:

Motion by Dieleman, second by Holven, to approve the summer 2020 Drivers' Education fee increase from \$330 to \$340 for resident students and \$430 to \$440 for non-resident students. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion by Stonewall, second by Roberts, to approve the quote from Rapids Wholesale, for a planetary mixer in the amount of \$13,166.34, two mobile heated holding proofing cabinets in the amount of \$3,057.66 each, and a small planetary mixer in the amount of \$6,449.54. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion by Holven, second by Dieleman, to approve the e-rate technology purchase quote in the amount of \$30,907.94 or a lower bid, if received. Motion carried with all ayes.

Superintendent Comments:

Mr. Petty gave a legislative update.

The next Board meeting will be March 9, 2020, at 6:30 PM, at the GMG Elementary School in Green Mountain.

Adjournment:

Motion by Sienknecht, second by Stonewall, to adjourn at 8:05 PM.





PIE Meeting February 19, 2020 GMG Elementary Lunchroom

Meeting was called to order at 5:45pm by Trish. Those present were Trish Slifer, Tracy Dieleman, Stacie Aneweer, Kenna Lambertsen and Shanna Draper. The minutes of the January meeting were presented by Kenna. Motion to approve by Shanna, second by Stacie. Approved with all ayes. The treasurer's report was presented by Stacie. Motion to approve by Tracy, second by Trish. Approved with all ayes.

Principal's Report: Mr. Frimml was not able to attend the meeting but sent his report. Preschool update – currently eight children signed up. Registration for the 2020-2021 school year is open and forms are available at <u>www.gmgschools.org</u> under the Parent/Student tab. Parents can also request forms be sent to them. The Old Creamery Theater will be putting on a production about good character, "Character Lab," for the students on March 24th at 9:00 am thanks to a grant from the Martha Ellen-Tye Foundation. The Iowa School Performance Report has been released and is available at <u>https://www.iowaschoolperformance.gov/ECP/Home/Index</u> GMG received a commendable rating from the Iowa Department of Education. Parent-teacher conferences are March 18th and 19th.

Old Business: Box Tops were submitted and we received the check. Kenna will pick up the Box Tops and bread UPCs from the office tomorrow. We will send another Box Top paper home in the Friday folders next week.

The Wolverine Run is May 2nd. Six designs were submitted for the t-shirt and it was decided to create a design using all of the ideas. We will have the design printed on white shirts in black with the sponsors on the back. Tracy is getting quotes for special event insurance and working with the DNR. Cub Scout Pack 394 will hand out water at the halfway mark for a service project. Tracy will ask the Garwin Fire Department to be on hand to assist if needed. Sponsorship letters will be sent out for the Run.

New Business: VIP Day was discussed for March 10th (PK-3rd) and 11th (4th-6th) at 7:00 am, pending approval by Mr. Frimml. Stacie will get donuts through Hy-Vee. A flier will be sent home in the Friday folders.

PIE will provide a meal for teachers on March 18th before Parent-teacher conferences. Trish will contact Sub City for sandwiches and get cookies.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 4th at 5:30 pm in the Elementary library.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm. Motion by Stacie, second by Tracy. Approved with all ayes.

Kenna Lambertsen, Secretary



GMG FFA along with GMG National Honor Society will be holding the 21st annual GMG Blood Drive March 16th from 12:30 to 6:30 PM

Located at GMG Secondary School 306 Park Street, Garwin, IA. 50632

If you would like to donate, you need to weigh 120 pounds and be at least 16 years old. If you are under the age of 18, you need to have a permission slip signed by your parent and turned in before you can donate.

Double Red Guidelines:

If you would like to donate double red, you need to weigh over 130 pounds and be 16 years old (male). Females need to weigh 150 pounds and be 23 years old to donate double red. A double red donation is when a pint of blood is taken, put through a machine to separate the red blood cells from the plasma and other blood components are put back into your body. A second pint of blood is taken, and the same process is repeated.

On the day of the blood drive, you will need some form of identification (drivers license, passport, birth certificate). It is also strongly suggested to eat a good meal the night before and a good breakfast and lunch. It is equally important to stay hydrated and drink fluids throughout the day. After the donation, you will be directed to the refreshment table and given a drink and a snack. Then, will be escorted back to your car or back to class by a student.

Please call the GMG High School with any questions 641-499-2005







Please note that this has been updated since last newsletter.

<u>Super's Honor Roll</u> Haley Balmer, Shelby Bovenmyer, Jona Ruth Gallo, Alice Hunt, Abigail Parks, Lukas Soukhavong, Austin Vaverka, Mariah Wood, Jabari Woodbury, Kaylea Duden, Jessica Johnson, Marriah Stonewall, Noah Teske, LeNaeya Carter, Abe Dieleman, Emma Reed, Chloe Wickam, Jaiden Youngman, Angel Schewe, Cameron Mummert, Sophia Sheetz,

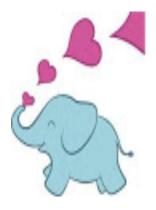
<u>A Honor Roll</u> Emma Brown, Jacob Cornwell, Chloe Dieleman, Avery Duden, Dylan Mathern, Alicen Meyers, Rexanna Millard, Anna Mussig, Colin Teske, Skye Witte, Stella Betts, Lillian Bru, Amelia Hutchinson, Austin Pencil, Adelyn Sienknecht, Lesli Waltermire, Anthony Waters, Caiden Collins, Brayden Duden, Jenna Humphrey, Wyatt Jackson, Ashlynn Johnson, Braylee Kimberley, Linsey Kohn, Alivea Soukhavong, Taylor Tremaine, Owen Bovenmyer, Xander Bowers, Emmly Desautels,Sydni Gale, Lenah Hood, Preston Jones, Emma Kouba-Williams, Cody Miller,Gavin Purvis, Kennadi Sederburg, Jenna Yilek, Hunter Zeiner, Joaquin Fitzsimmons, Saige Frost, Kaci Frost, Kaci Krier, Conner Murty, Ian Mwangi, Madison Anderson, Christian Deam, Izabelle Duncan, Robert Hartsell, Grace Schewe,

Wolverine Honor Roll Dillion Bartell, Tage Bowers, Jay Bru, Jaime Cantu, Jacob Collins, Westin Deal, Mariah Edwards, Alyzabeth Guitron, Cora Hall, Alice Harris, Sam Harris, Weston Hempy, Hope Kunch, Noah Lang, Olivia Maddux, Ashlynn Peters, Caiden Priske, Aubree Runner, Baileigh Sheets, Ashlyn Snyder, Zachary Stringer, Alexa Vazquez, Aidan White, Lilli Zeiner, Emilie Claussen, Reese Dieleman, Madison Edwards, Kaleb Gill, Karrisa Gohring, Maecyn Lewis, Jocee Mason, Summer McGachey, Allison Vaverka, Sydney Vavroch, Colton Zielstorf, Raelynn Zielstorf, Brenden Becker, Brock Drew, Zachery Duncan, Patrick Savatdy, Deja Tucker, Nicholas Tuttle, Desirae Baldazo, Corey Bartell, Emma Beeghly, Alyssa Coop, Sydney Dannen, Kooper Gill, Maya Goos, Kaden Lafoon, Madison Lewis, Sebastian McGachey, Madison Rohrer, Jonathon Tichy, Hannah Vaverka, Alexander Villa, Arlin Zaldana, Gabriel Zielstorf, Arista Becker, Stephenie Claussen, Nicholas Collins, Chloe Cornwell, Montezuma Hernandez, Jadyn Hessenius, Frances Jackson, Layne Murty, Autumn Peterson, Alejandro Rico, Gabrielle Ridour, Brock Teske, Emily Vaughn, Baily Anderson, Amiya Branon, Hallie Claussen, Zachary Conaway, Adam Cox, Andrew Johnson, Tabitha Kauten, Megan Kohn, Jordan Yilek

3rd Grade Poetry Unit ~ Mrs. Ouderkirk & Mrs. Wurr

The third graders have been learning about poetry in reading and writing. The students learned about different poetry elements, learned how to determine the theme or main idea of poems, and wrote many poems themselves. They put their poems together to create a class poetry book. Below are a few samples of poems they w





Basketball (a cinquain) By: Grace Mathern Basketball Amazing, fun Running, shooting, dribbling I like to play. GMG

Summer (a rhyming poem) By: Avery Ellison Summer is nice, You can't just roll a dice. Get on outside, You can go down the slide

<u>Friends</u> (a cinquain) By: Stevie Smith Friends Playful, silly Waiting, talking, sharing They make me happy! Elephant & Piggie

> <u>Area 51 (acrostic)</u> By: Addi Elmore Alien's home Re-creation Explosion A mystery place 50 people try to get in 1 UFO spotting









GMG Student Council is sponsoring a LOCK IN on April 24^{th} from 8 PM to 8 AM.

For the LOCK-IN, it will be **\$10.00/student**. This will cover pizza and an ice cream bar. There will be many activities planned for the LOCK-IN.

Students **MUST** be in the door by 8 PM (except for girls track)

The Students will be dismissed at 8 AM the following morning.



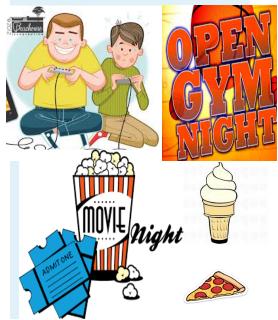
Bring your own sleeping bag, pillow and blanket, etc....



8 PM to 8 AM April 24-25th

Activities Planned

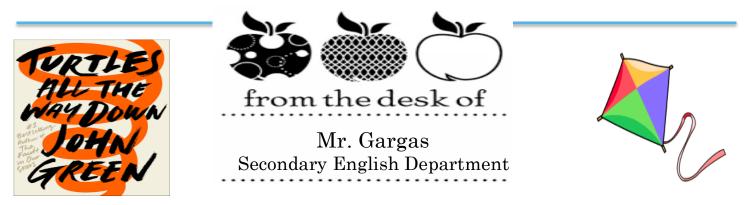
Pizza Ice Cream Bar Video Gaming Room Movie Room Role-Playing Room Open Gym Other Games and Activities are being planned as well.





GMG Student Council is sponsoring a Junior High Dance on March 6th from 7 PM to 9 PM

Any questions please ask your Junior High Student for details or email jgargas @gmgschools.org



Juniors and Seniors are exploring literature that takes them inside Afghan-American culture, as well as using their skills to analyze writings and break them down into key parts. One of the major ways we're doing this is by using "Socratic Seminars," where students lead the class discussion of several chapters of reading. There are also creative elements where the students show their understanding of the story by writing "alternate" parts of the book, from another character's point of view. Finally, though it sounds a little crazy, they'll be building kites that relate to the characters, themes and parts of the story, as well as flying the kites. (In the book, kite flying happens in winter—and the kids voted that they wanted to do it out in the cold)

Sophomores are reading a John Green book called *Turtles all the Way Down*, and are using a variety of methods to analyze what the book means, and how it affects both the reader and the characters in the book.

Creative Writing is working on their short and long-term projects, with the short-term being a presentation about what they'd do if they had a plane ticket with unlimited uses for one month, and their long-term project, which is a much longer story that they write in pieces.

Masterpiece Theatre is analyzing a University of Iowa production of a play, looking at how all the elements combine to make a full production.



Mrs. Leslie Gartin

The GMG Quiz Bowl Team competed in the QBTV qualifier tournament February 22 at Grandview University in Des Moines. At the end of five matches, the team was barely edged out for a qualifying position for the Final Tournament, held via Iowa Public Television on March 26. The team worked hard, kept a positive attitude, and did an excellent job!

Emma Reed, Kaci Krier, Robert Hartsell, Braylee Kimberley, Taylor Tremaine



A group of top sixth grade math performers went to the Central Rivers Area Education Agency in Cedar Falls February 24 to compete in the Iowa small school Math bee. The students worked individually and as a team, completing six various math worksheets varying in subject from probability to geometry, and scored well. In the competition of 13 Iowa schools, the GMG Number Ninjas placed Ninth! These students had a great time, and can't wait to do something like this again in the future!



Joss Warnell, Rhinna Murty, Rider Kupka, Boudica Fitzsimmons





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receive PERRIE!

Student Name

PERRIE

Be Ready!



March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Early Out 2:20 Teacher In-Service	5 5th and 6th Band Solo Contest 4 PM	6	7 NEIBA District Jazz Festival@ Hudson
8	9 GMG School Board Meeting, Green Mountain 6:30PM	10	II Early Out 2:20 Teacher In-Service	I2 GMG PIE Meeting @ 5:30 PM	13	14 State Individual Speech Contest
15	16 GMG Blood Drive 1:00PM	17 JH Band Solo 6 PM	18 Early Out 2:20 PK-12th Grade Parent Teacher Conferences Teacher In-Service	19 End of 3rd Quarter PK-12th Grade Parent Teacher Conferences	20 NO SCHOOL Teacher IN-Service	21
22	23 NO SCHOOL Teacher IN-Service	24	25 Early Out 2:20 Teacher In-Service	26	27 Musical 7:00 PM	28 Musical 7:00 PM
29 Coe College Honor Bands 12:30 PM	30 All State Individual Speech at UNI HS G Track @ BCLUW 4:15	31	16 17	1	Apr 2020 S M T W T 5 6 7 8 9 12 13 14 15 16 19 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30	

Lunch	Hot Lunch
Menu	Con Con Contraction

March 2020

GMG Breakfast/Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3	4	5	6
B: Frosted Donut, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk	B: Breakfast Biscut, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk	B: Breakfast Pizza, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk	B:Mini Pancakes, Sausage, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk	B:Biscuts & Gravy, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk
L: Super Nachos, Taco Beans, Madarin Oranges, Chocolate Chip Muffin, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	L: Mac & Cheese, Little Smokies, peas, Applesauce, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	EARLY OUT 2:20 L: Tenderloin, TT, Peaches, Saladbar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	L: Chili, Cinnamon Roll, Pears, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	L: Fish Sticks, FF, Pineapple, No Bake Cookie, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk
9 B: Long John, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Crispito,Chips,Madarin Oranges,Orange Muffin, Salad Bar, Freash Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	 B: Breakfast Biscut, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Chicken Strips, Potato Wedges, Applesauce, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Salad Bar, Low-Fat Milk 	II B: Breakfast Bar, Toast, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk EARLY OUT 2:20 L: Beef & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Peaches, Dinner Roll, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	12 Naffles,Sausage,Applesau Juice, Low-Fat Milk L:Taco Casserole, Green Beans, Pears, M & M Cookie, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	 B: Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Fish Taco, Hashbrown, Pineapple, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk
 B: Donut Holes, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Hotdog on Bun, Baked Beans, Madarin Oranges, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk 	 B: Breakfast Biscut, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Applesauce, Dinner Roll, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk 	 I8 B: Breakfast Pizza, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk EARLY OUT 2:20 L: Mr. Ribb, TT, Peaches, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk 	 B: French Toast, Sausage, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Cream of Chicken over a Biscut, Peas, Pears, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk 	20 NO SCHOOL- CONFERENCE EXCHANGE DAY
23 NO SCHOOL- TEACHER IN SERVICE	24 B: Breakfast Biscut, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Corn Dog, Baked Beans, Applesauce, Apple Crisp, Salad Bar, Freah Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	25 B: Breakfast Bar, Toast, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk EARLY OUT 2:20 L: Vegetable Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese, Peaches, Salad Bar, Chocolate Cake, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	26 B: Pancake on a Stick, Sausage, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Spaghetti, Green Beans, Bread Stick, Pears, Salad BAr, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	27 B: Omlet, Toast, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Shimp, Beans & Rice, Pineapple, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk
30 B: Frosted Donut, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Taco, Hash Brown, Madarin Oranges, Salad Bar, Fresh Vegetables, Low-Fat Milk	31 B: Breakfast Biscut, Applesauce, Juice, Low-Fat Milk L: Grilled Chicken,FF, Green Beans, Applesauce, Salad Bar, Fesh Vegesauce, Salad Bar, Fesh Vegesauce, Salad Bar, Fesh Vegesauce, Salad Bar, Milk			

April 2020

Most updated information can be found at the GMG Website gmgschools.socs.org

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 Coe College Honor Bands 12:30	6	7 HS B/G Track @ STC 4:30 Iowa Jazz Championships	8 EARLY OUT 2:20	9 HS B Track @ Grundy Center 4:30	10 Good Friday No School Easter Break	11 No School Easter Break
12 Easter No School Easter Break	13 HS B/G Track @ Tama GMG Relays No School Easter Break School Board Meeting Garwin @ 6:30	14 No School Easter Break	15 EARLY OUT 2:20	16 HS B Track @ Hudson 4:30	17 HS B/G Track @ Colo Nesco 4:30	18 GMG PROM IHSMA Solo/Ensemble Contest
19	20	21 Grand View HS Honor Band HS B/G Track @ Montezuma 4:30	22 EARLY OUT 2:20	23 HS B Track @ BCLUW 4:30 K-3 Grade Spring Concert 6 PM	24 HS G Track @ BGM 4:30	25
26	27	28 Grand View JH Honor Band HS G Track @ Dike 4:30	29 EARLY OUT 2:20	30 4-6 Grade Spring Concert 6 PM	P	

WHAT GOES IN MY LUNCHBOX



FRUIT (2 PIECES)	
SANDWICH, WRAP OR ALTERNATIVE	
DAIRY	YOGHURT
VEGETABLES (2 PIECES)	
FIBRE/GRAINS (Wholegrains)	
WATER	

Tips for Packing a Healthy School Lunch

- **Tip 1** Get the children involved in packing their own lunch. Lay out different choices of healthy foods for their choices.
- **Tip 2** Turn Healthy foods into FUN Foods. Get creative with making sandwiches into fun shapes with cookie cutters. Stars, Heart shaped sandwiches will sure be a big hit.
- **Tip 3** Write out weekly menus together and shop for those items.

