

1 GRAND ISLE SCHOOL BOARD
2 MEETING MINUTES

3 Monday, November 23, 2009

4 **Board attending:**

5 Herbert Durfee, III, Beverly Gover, Peg Burbo and Alan Arthur. Michael Inners
6 was absent.

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8 **Others in attendance:**

9 Members of the public and staff: Marshall Phillips, Mitch McGrath
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11 **Proceedings:**

12 HD called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
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14 **Adjustment of Agenda:** Add to executive session contracts.
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16 **Approval of Minutes:** At 7:06 p.m. AA made a motion to approve the minutes
17 of November 9, 2009 as drafted, 2nd by PB – GC.
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19 **Members of the Public – For Items Not on the Agenda:** None.
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21 **Superintendent’s Report:** None.
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23 **Principal’s Report:**

24 Troy Watkins, Principal dropped off his report before the meeting started.

25 **Enrollment Update** - No Change, 203 Students Currently Enrolled

26 Robert Mulken, an Education Grad Student at Johnson State College has a survey
27 for the middle school. Results are anonymous.

28 Grand Isle Mentoring update – three have begun the process to become a mentor.

29 Website is updated.

30 Memorandum of Understanding – Support staff person, Michael Brown, at
31 \$18/hour, only benefits are four sick days and two personal days. The rest is subject to
32 the master agreement of the support staff. At 7:09 p.m. HD made a motion to approve
33 the Memorandum of Understanding, 2nd by BG – GC.
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35 **Board Discussion:** Announced vs. Allowable Secondary Tuition: Essex and
36 South Burlington have agreed to hold their secondary tuition at announced amount for
37 next year.

38 The Board discussed the possibility of designation as one method of controlling
39 overruns. Public input will be requested at the next meeting, which will have a public

40 hearing as part of the meeting on December 14. HD will pull information for a matrix of
41 information, i.e. curriculum offerings of local high schools, cost comparison. Notice of
42 next meeting should include the Islander, Wildcat Wisdom and the GI School website, to
43 include public input. Items to keep in mind are convenience, grandfathering of current
44 students, assessment impact, listed value with relation to free choice, and if choice taken
45 away will property values go down. Also what the impact is of technical related students.
46 GISU Budget – HD gave update regarding Executive Committee meeting.
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48 **Board Action:** At 7:50 p.m. HD made a motion to pay bills in the amount of
49 \$296,013.68, 2nd by AA – GC. Note: Essex Tuition bill for first semester was \$221,000.
50 HD questioned a bill in the amount of \$490 regarding the date on the invoice vs. date on
51 voucher warrant.

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53 **Executive Session:** HD made a motion at 8:06 p.m. to go into Executive
54 Session and 2nd by AA regarding contracts. HD made a motion to exit Executive Session
55 at 8:35 p.m. and 2nd by BG.
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57 **Agenda Building:** See Board Discussion – public hearing information.
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59 **Board Correspondence/Sharing:** None.
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61 Next regular meeting is December 14, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. There will be a meeting on
62 December 7, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. of the Board and teachers and staff.
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64 8:37 p.m. Motion to adjourn by HD – GC
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67 GRAND ISLE SCHOOL BOARD
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