

**GRAND FORKS AIR FORCE BASE SCHOOL BOARD**  
**Host to Grand Forks School Board**  
**GRAND FORKS AIR FORCE BASE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #140**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 26, 2018**

The school board of Grand Forks Air Force Base Public School District #140 met in regular session on Monday, November 26, 2018, at Nathan F. Twining Elementary and Middle School with Elizabeth Meihaus presiding.

**Board Members Present:** Misty Brustad, Elizabeth Meihaus, and Branden Shepperd.  
**Board Members Absent:** Lewis Isassi and Kevin Whitney.

**Others Present:** Superintendent Dr. Terry Brenner, Business Manager Ed Gerhardt, Assistant Superintendent Catherine Gillach, Grand Forks School Board Members Doug Carpenter, Chris Douthit, Amber Flynn, Jacqueline Hoffarth, Eric Lunn, Shannon Mikula, Bill Palmiscno, and Cynthia Shabb, 319<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Group Commander Col. Heather Cook, GFEA President Amanda Weston Caillier, and Meeting Secretary Cindy Johnson.

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.** The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Tour of Twining School.** Board members and meeting attendees participated in a tour of building from 5:30 to 5:45 p.m.

**Recess for Dinner.** The meeting was recessed for dinner from 5:45 p.m. to 6:17 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda.** It was moved by Brustad and seconded by Shepperd to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried with all members present voting aye. Absent: Isassi and Whitney.

**Approval of Minutes.** It was moved by Shepperd and seconded by Brustad to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2018, meeting as written. Motion carried with all members present voting aye. Absent: Isassi and Whitney.

Dr. Brenner updated the Board on a report of a suspicious person at Red River High School earlier this evening. The Grand Forks Police Department and Administration investigated and found the situation to be the result of rumors. District Administration will work through the evening to send a communication to parents and follow up with students tomorrow.

**Citizen Comments (non-agenda items).**  
None.

**State of the Base.** Col. Heather Cook, 319<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Group Commander, gave a presentation on the state of the Air Base and its mission as a Global Hawk Base.

**GFAFB School Liaison Update.** Kelly Painter, former GFAFB School Liaison Officer, gave a presentation on various past and upcoming events. Painter introduced Ciera Butler, who will serve as the Interim School Liaison Officer until the position is filled. The liaison office has moved from the Airman and Readiness Center to under the Child and Youth Flight.

**Curriculum Review.** Gillach reported on the secondary curriculum review. The Secondary Curriculum Review Committee is proposing to add two courses. They are Introduction to Computing Essentials and Interior Design. The Committee is also proposing to drop the Early Childhood Education course. The proposal will be brought before the School Board for action at its December meeting.

**2017-2018 Annual Report.** Carrie Weippert, District Assessment Coordinator, and Gillach reviewed the annual report for 2017-2018. Topics included STAR testing data, NDSA testing data, Dual Credit/AP Classes, ACT, poverty rate, computer-to-student ratio, EL and average class size, and financial data.

**Impact Aid Funding Update.** Dr. Brenner gave an overview of Impact Aid funding and discussed talking points from the 2018 National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) Fall Conference, which he recently attended.

**Monthly Enrollment Report.** Gillach reported that as of October 31, 2018, there were 201 students in grades K-5 and 77 students in grades 6-8 at Twining School, for a combined total of 278 students. Grand Forks Central High School has 51 students. Red River High School and Community High School have no students from the Air Base.

**Announcements.** Board members were reminded of the November 29 Legislative Forum and to RSVP for the event.

**Board Request for Future Consideration.**  
None.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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(Date)

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Elizabeth Meihaus, President

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Edwin J. Gerhardt, Business Manager