

The Glasgow Board of Education held their first meeting of 2013 last night and welcomed a new member. Wade Stone attended his first official meeting last night

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Stone replaces LaDonna Rogers, who did not seek re-election, and who has served 3 terms, for a total of 12 years, through 6 Superintendents in her tenure.

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Leigh Lessenberry was elected to replace Rogers as Board Vice Chairman.

Several Site Based Council members from Glasgow Middle School and Glasgow High School made presentations informing the board about the progress and the goals at the respective schools. High School Principal Keith Hale was pleased with all time high ACT Scores, PLAN test scores and the growth of AP Classes. Middle School Principal Scott Jones praised his staff for improving test scores at GMS. Jones said he would like to see English scores improve the most, something he says would take more funding. Board Member Dr. Barrett Lessenberry reassured the council members the board is very interested in all of their initiatives, they just must be as responsible as previous boards in keeping the district financially sound.

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And with that said the board did consider a number of financial issues last night , including the draft budget for 2014, approving the mileage rate of 45 cents per mile for travel and paying some of the remaining invoices from the high school construction. Jeff Wells, with Alliance was in attendance and told the board the punch lists are being worked through. 99% of the interior and 70% of the exterior are complete at this time. Plans are being finalized for an open house Sunday, February 3rd from 2 til 4.

And that's a wrap on last night's Glasgow City School Board.