

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes - Regular Meeting
November 14, 2016

The Board of Education met on Monday, November 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Central High School.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by board president John Siemion. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Stack, O'Neal, Cramer, Holt, Treutler, Siemion and Baker. Absent: None

Also present: Ingall, Grimes, VanderWall and approximately 24 audience members.

16-085 Trustee Treutler moved that the Consent Agenda grouping be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the October 17, 2016 Board Meeting
- Payment of Bills
 - Accounts Payable \$ 1,447,262.42
 - Payroll \$ 3,013,415.02
 - 2014 Building & Site Bond Expenditures \$ 709,849.41

Trustee Cramer seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

Superintendent Ingall shared the following announcements:

- Central staff were recognized and praised for providing a student centered, culture of caring atmosphere for their students.
- Fall policy updates are being reviewed and will soon come before the full board for action.
- Staff recently returned from the National Blue Ribbon Award trip to DC. Professional collaboration took place with educators from around the country and student achievement was celebrated.
- Executive Council @ White Pines takes place on Wednesday. Staff will highlight Growth Mindset and Visible Thinking.
- CRASE training at GHHS was successful and well received. K-8 staff will be trained in January.
- Scott Grimes provided an update from a recent Climate Committee meeting. Areas of focus for this year are Student Engagement, Awareness, and Professional Development.
- President Siemion and Trustee Stack provided an update from the MASB Conference they attended.

Comments from the audience included:

Carolyn Taylor, parent of a Voyager and a Lakeshore student, questioned the large class sizes at LSMS. She also inquired about new development in the township and the District's readiness to accommodate potential increased enrollment due to the growth.

Central School Principal Paul Kunde, along with staff and students, provided an informational report on components of CHS that contribute to student success. Information was shared on the CyberSchool Program, which offers students a non-traditional way of learning, and the Mentoring Program that connects students to positive adults in our community.

Assistant Superintendent Scott Grimes sought acceptance of staff resignations.

16-086 Trustee Stack moved that the board accept the retirement resignation of Celia Sommerfeldt, Voyager teacher, and the resignation of Jamie Kmiecik, school social worker, with many thanks for their years of service to our students and district.

Trustee O'Neal seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

President Siemion adjourned the board meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Baker, Secretary
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