

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Minutes - Regular Meeting  
December 12, 2016

The Board of Education met on Monday, December 12, 2016 at 7:00 PM at Peach Plains Elementary.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM 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 12 audience members.

16-087 Trustee Holt moved that the Consent Agenda grouping be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the November 14, 2016 Board Meeting
- Payment of Bills
  - Accounts Payable \$ 1,113,896.20
  - Payroll \$ 2,919,169.09
  - 2014 Building & Site Bond Expenditures \$ 184,573.19

Trustee Treutler seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

Superintendent Ingall shared the following announcements:

- Peach staff were praised for providing a happy building atmosphere where students feel safe and supported.
- The release of State Accountability Scorecards are being delayed until mid-January
- Lame Duck Legislative Update:
  - No action on Pension System
  - No action on "shell game" to remove \$430 million from SAF
- Climate Committee is working on MLK activities
- Work continues on a list of projects for series II of the Bond
- A team of elementary principals and teachers attended a conference in Chicago with presenter Jennifer Serravallo
- President Siemion and Trustee Baker reported on recent MASB courses they attended.

There were no comments from the audience.

The board heard an informational report from staff at Peach Plains who highlighted ways they are improving math achievement for their students.

Curriculum Director Mary Jane Evink requested approval for the purchase of K-2 math consumables.

16-088 Trustee Baker moved that the board approve the purchase of K-2 Math Expressions consumable math books, from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishers, in the amount of \$30,528.70.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

Lisa Danicek, Director of Business and Information Services, sought approval to collect 100 percent summer tax levy on the district's school property taxes.

16-089 Trustee Treutler moved that the Board approve a resolution allowing a 100 percent summer tax levy on the district's school property taxes commencing in 2017.

Trustee Cramer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Stack, yes; O'Neal, yes; Cramer, yes; Holt, yes; Baker, yes; Treutler, yes; Siemion, yes. Motion carried 7-0

Ms. Danicek sought approval and recognition of school associated organizations. It was noted that the Buccaneer Sports Booster information from 2015-16 is now complete.

16-090 Trustee Holt moved that the Board recognize and approve the following district organizations: Ferry Elementary PTA, Griffin PTA, Mary A. White PTA, Robinson PTA, Peach Plains PTO, White Pines PTO, Grand Haven High School Choir Boosters, Grand Haven High School Band Boosters, Grand Haven Orchestra Boosters and the Wrestling Club.

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

Ms. Danicek presented an overview of the 2016-17 Budget Amendment #1.

16-091 Trustee Stack moved that the Board approve the 2016-17 Budget Amendment #1 resolution as presented.

Trustee Cramer seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

Assistant Superintendent Scott Grimes sought acceptance of staff resignations and employment contracts for new hires.

16-092 Trustee Cramer moved that the board accept the resignations of Elizabeth Measell, GHHS ELA teacher, and Jason Tester, GHHS History teacher, with many thanks for their service to our students and district.

Trustee Baker seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

16-093 Trustee Treutler moved that the board offer employment contracts to the following candidates for the 2016-17 school year, with placement on the salary schedule as presented:

Jennifer Tanis, .5 Social Worker @ MAW & Rosy Mound, MA Step 3  
Brooke Smeckert, .6 French / English Teacher @ GHHS, BA Step 3

Trustee Cramer seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

Special Education Director Kate Augustyn provided an informational report on the Cross Indicator Analysis as a requirement of the Continuous Improvement Monitoring System of the Michigan Department of Education.

The Board supported a first reading of proposed bylaws and policy revisions.

MASB is seeking nominations to fill seven seats on their Board of Directors. President Siemion has expressed interest in serving on the MASB Board.

16-094 Trustee Baker recommended that the Board of Education endorse the nomination of John Siemion as a candidate to serve on the Board of Directors for the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

16-095 Trustee O'Neal moved that the Board take a short recess and then move into Closed Session, per the request of the superintendent, for the purpose of the superintendent's evaluation.

Trustee Cramer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Stack, yes; O'Neal, yes; Cramer, yes; Holt, yes; Baker, yes; Treutler, yes; Siemion, yes. Motion carried 7-0

The Board recessed at 8:09 PM and moved into Closed Session at 8:25 PM.

The Board reconvened into open session at 9:36 PM.

There being no further agenda items, the Board adjourned the meeting at 9:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Baker, Secretary  
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