

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes - Regular Meeting
August 15, 2016

The Board of Education met on Monday, August 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Education Service Center.

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

Present: Stack, Holt, Siemion and Baker. Absent: O'Neal, Cramer and Treutler

Also present: Ingall, Grimes, VanderWall, and approximately 10 audience members.

16-070 Trustee Stack moved that the Consent Agenda grouping be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the July 11, 2016 Board Meeting
- Payment of Bills
 - Accounts Payable \$1,676,582.38
 - Payroll \$2,445,989.75
 - 2014 Building & Site Bond Expenditures \$447,060.95

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Announcements included the following:

- In place of videotaping board meetings, GHTV will now audio record all meetings and will produce a YouTube style video recapping the meeting highlights.
- Summer projects are on track with three weeks to go. Spaces are looking great.
- Herman Miller played host to this year's leadership team retreat. The agenda included a revamp of the One Page Strategic Plan, focus items for the year ahead, team time and action time.
- The staff welcome letter and timelines were released today for the in-service on August 30 and 31.
- New staff orientation takes place next week.

Comments from the audience came from Lake Hills staff member, Sarah Elliott, who encouraged schools and staff members to be looking for ways to mitigate poverty in our community so that all students can achieve their full potential.

Mary Jane Evink, Director of Instructional Services, sought approval to purchase licenses for a digital supplemental math tool.

16-071 Trustee Baker moved that the board support the purchase of ALEKS Math Licenses in the amount of \$34,500, with \$14,900 coming from the general fund and approximately \$19,600 paid for by a grant from the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Instructional Technology Director, Doug Start, brought forth bid summaries for new furniture for building media centers. Furniture bids fell into two categories: A) tables and chairs and, B) specialty furniture / soft seating.

16-072 Trustee Holt moved that the board accept the bid proposals for media center furniture from Custer for both Bid Packages A (\$24,307) and B (\$92,875) for a grand total of \$117,182.00 to be paid for with bond funds.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Assistant Superintendent Scott Grimes sought acceptance of a staff retirement.

16-073 Trustee Stack moved that the board accept the retirement resignation of Cynthia Phillip with many thanks for her thirty years of service to our students and district.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Grimes also sought support to offer employment contracts to candidates for staffing positions throughout the district.

16-074. Trustee Baker moved that the board offer employment contracts to the following candidates, with placement on the salary schedule as presented:

MARY ARNDT, Spanish Teacher @ White Pines Intermediate, AB Step 1

LAURA KNOCHENHAUER, Earth Science Teacher @ GH High School, AB Step 2

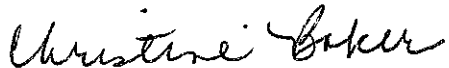
JASON TESTER, History Teacher @ GH High School, MA Step 19

MELANIE VERDUIN, Second Grade Teacher @ Mary A. White, AB Step 1

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

President Siemion adjourned the board meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine Baker".

Christine Baker, Secretary

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