

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes - Regular Meeting
March 13, 2017

The Board of Education met on Monday, March 13, at 7:00 p.m. at Griffin Elementary School.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Siemion. Prior to reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment of silence was observed in remembrance of Griffin kindergarten student Mackenzie Boyd who passed away over the weekend.

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

Also present: Ingall, Grimes, VanderWall and approximately 30 audience members.

The meeting agenda was approved as presented.

17-013 Trustee Treutler moved that the Consent Agenda grouping be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the February 13, 2017 regular board meeting
- Payment of Bills
 - Accounts Payable \$1,135,889.15
 - Payroll \$2,951,579.80
 - Building & Site Bond Expenditures \$28,135.57

Trustee Cramer seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

Superintendent Ingall shared the following announcements:

- Griffin was lauded for achieving National Blue Ribbon School status and staff was recognized for their hard work and dedication.
- The new Asst. Director of Technology, Cecil Hammond, was introduced and welcomed to GH
- A slide presentation on class size data was shared by Ingall showing comparative student/teacher ratios in GH and districts within the OAISD.
- Series I bond spending is coming to a close and prep work on series II bonds has begun. The sale of series II bonds will take place in May. Outstanding items yet to come forward for series I include Lakeshore traffic flow upgrades, White Pines roofing and flooring, and furniture for GH High School and Central High School. The access road connecting GHHS to Rosy Mound Drive is also outstanding as we are waiting for next steps with the land owner.
- The operating millage renewal for GHAPS will go before voters on May 2.
- Preparation for the 2017-18 school year is underway with Y5/Kindergarten Round Up scheduled for 3/14 and Freshman Orientation on 3/16. Information regarding schools of choice timelines and options will be mailed to parents after Spring Break.

During audience participation, parent Carolyn Taylor spoke in response to the earlier presentation on student/teacher ratios in our classrooms stating she still felt that class numbers are high at Lakeshore's 8th grade level.

Principal Debra Mann, along with reading specialist Kara Endsley, provided an informational report on Reading Now Network strategies in practice at Griffin. Students set goals for their learning with feedback from teachers related to their goal and their work.

Quotes were received for the bond purchase of four (4) 76 passenger buses and two (2) 46 passenger buses as follows:

76 Passenger Buses	
Holland Bus Company/Bluebird Vision – Gas	\$ 84,748.00
Holland Bus Company/Bluebird Vision – Diesel	\$ 87,748.00
Capital City/International Bus – Diesel	\$ 88,193.00
Hoekstra Transportation / Freightliner - Diesel	\$ 90,348.00

46 Passenger Buses	
Capital City/ International - Diesel	\$87,122.00
Hoekstra Transportation / Freightliner - Diesel	\$87,928.00
Holland Bus Company / Bluebird - Diesel	\$90,707.00

17-014 Trustee O'Neal moved that the board approve the purchase of four (4) 76 passenger buses totaling \$338,992.00 from Holland Bus Company, and two (2) 46 passenger buses totaling \$174,244.00 from Capital City for a total expenditure of \$513,236.00. These will be purchased with bond funds.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

Bids were received for the asbestos removal at White Pines Intermediate as follows:

HBC Specialized Contracting	\$ 100,655.00
2170 Apollo Dr. Lansing, MI 48906	

Martin & Associates Environmental, LLC	\$ 135,415.00
8135 Cox's Drive, Suite 108 Portage, MI 49002	

17-015 Trustee Treutler moved that the board award the asbestos removal bid to HBC Specialized Contracting in the amount of \$100,655.00, to be paid from bond funds.

Trustee Cramer seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

Lisa Danicek, Director of Business Services, brought forth a request to purchase the current copy center equipment.

17-016 Trustee Baker moved that the Board approve the purchase of the Xerox copy center equipment at a cost of \$35,465.74 using bond funds.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

The Board was asked to support a proclamation naming April 9-15, 2017, as National Library Week

17-017 Trustee Treutler moved to support a proclamation naming April 9-15, 2017 as National Library Week, and encourages all residents to visit the Loutit District Library.

Trustee Baker seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

The meeting was adjourned by President Siemion at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Baker, Secretary
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