

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes - Regular Board Meeting
February 10, 2025

The Board of Education met on Monday, February 10, 2025, at 7:00 pm at Peach Plains Elementary. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Nichol Stack. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Casemier, Eickholt, Herrygers, Holt, Stack, and Treutler Absent: Boyd

Also present: Kristin Perkowski, Jason Reinecke, Michael MacDonald, Mary Jane Evink, Sara VanderZee, Jason Lawson, Oscar and approximately 15 audience members.

With Trustee Boyd absent, President Stack appointed Trustee Casemier as the Temporary Secretary.

17-708 Trustee Treutler moved that the meeting agenda be approved as presented.

Trustee Casemier seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

17-709 Trustee Eickholt moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows: •

- Minutes of the January 20, 2025 regular board meeting
- Payment of Bills for January

Accounts Payable- \$1,689,730.46
Expenditures Previously
Approved by Board Treasurer
Payroll \$3,635,266.22
2020 Building & Site Bond \$ 261,218.25
Ref Pay January, 2025 \$ 16,221.25
Edustaff, contracted staff and subs \$ 72,340.32
PNC credit card (credit on account) \$ 28,680.42

Trustee Herrygers seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

The following announcements were shared by Superintendent Perkowski:

- The Big Give and Community Cares for Teens were each recognized as February Grand Partner of the Month. Together, the two organizations supported more than 250 GHAPS students and their families over the holidays by providing gifts and basic needs.
- GHHS Student Senate was thanked for their tradition of using proceeds from their homecoming dance to fund gifts and needs for families as well. More than \$12k was raised to purchase gifts, which students then wrapped and delivered.
- Sarah Elliott was thanked for assisting these great organizations and for her hard work in supporting more than 300 homeless kids in our district.

Public Comment:

- Stephen Rockman read from a book.
- Oliver Shampine commented about diversity, equity and inclusion.
- Sarah Elliott commented about her work helping McKinney-Vento families in our district. •
- Kate Hoffmeyer commented about the impact of 1:1 technology.

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES:

Mary Jane Evink introduced Peach Plains Principal Jason Lawson and staff for a school improvement presentation. Mr. Lawson and fourth grade teacher, Annie Ratke, spoke about a staff and parent book study of *The Anxious Generation*, which examines the impacts of technology use on children and proposes solutions. Instructional Coach, Jennifer Kenny, discussed peer to peer classroom visits as job embedded professional learning.

Mary Jane Evink reported on benchmark assessment data. Our goals are for 100% of K-8 students to experience growth in iReady testing with math and english language arts, and nearly all of our schools are showing high growth and proficiency. The goal for high school students is to be 100% on track for graduation. Mary Jane highlighted several specific areas of improvement and noted the strong growth that Ferry Elementary is celebrating this winter. Reasons for our growth might be attributed to teachers adjusting their instruction, instructional coaches delivering targeted professional learning to teachers, and the district providing better resources that are more closely aligned to state standards.

17-710 Trustee Treutler moved to approve the Continuation of Services Plan.

Trustee Eickholt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

BUSINESS SERVICES:

17-711 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the recommended, negotiated one-year Summer Tax Collection Agreements with Grand Haven Township, Spring Lake Township, City of Ferrysburg, City of Norton Shores, Port Sheldon Township, and Robinson Township.

Trustee Herrygers seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

Michael MacDonald presented on the Michigan retirement system.

SUPERINTENDENT:

Superintendent Perkowski presented the second reading of board policy updates. A first reading took place at the January 20, 2025 board meeting.

- Revised - PO2266 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities •
- Rescind - PO2264 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities

17-712 Trustee Treutler moved to adopt the proposed board policies as presented.

Trustee Eickholt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

Superintendent Perkowski presented her proposed performance goals based on the Michigan Association of School Boards Superintendent Evaluation instrument.

17-713 Trustee Treutler moved to approve the superintendent goals as presented.

Trustee Casemier seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

PRESIDENT:

President Stack announced that we are changing the start time of the March 10, 2025 Regular Board of Education meeting from 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm to accommodate a board workshop meeting with our strategic planning company prior to the regular board meeting.

17-714 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the change in start time as presented.


Trustee Herrygers seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

President Stack announced a special board workshop meeting will be held Wednesday, March 10, 2025 at 6pm at Lakeshore Middle School.

President Stack announced her recent attendance at a virtual president's workshop along with about forty other district board presidents. She expressed her thanks for the opportunity to attend.

There being no further agenda items, President Stack adjourned the meeting at 8:17PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Cindy Casemier', written over a horizontal line.

Cindy Casemier, Temporary Secretary
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