

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes - Regular Board Meeting
February 12, 2024

The Board of Education met on Monday, February 12, at 7:00 pm at White Pines Intermediate School.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Chris Streng. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Holt, Eickholt, Treutler, Streng, Stack, Boyd Absent: Baker

Also present: Scott Grimes, Jason Reinecke, Michael MacDonald, Mary Jane Evink, Dawn Kelley, Cecil Hammond, Mike Shelton, Jenny Shaughnessy and 17 audience members.

17-605 Trustee Eickholt moved that the meeting agenda be approved as presented.

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

17-606 Trustee Boyd moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the January 15, 2024 regular Board Meeting and January 22, 2024 Special Board Meeting.
- Payment of Bills for January

Accounts Payable-Exhibit I	\$1,690,482.22
Expenditures Previously Approved by Board Treasurer	
Payroll	\$3,392,946.26
2020 Building & Site Bond	\$ 67.00
Ref Pay January, 2024	\$ 20,022.25
Edustaff, contracted staff and subs	\$ 54,313.08
PNC credit card (credit on account)	\$ 19,015.82

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

The following announcements were shared by Superintendent Grimes:

- We have used five of our six snow days allotted this school year and may request an additional three days from the state if need be.
- Welcome to White Pines Intermediate School and thank you to Mike Shelton and staff for hosting this board meeting.
- In the Governor's state of the state address she mentioned a few initiatives regarding education. Those included:
 - Free all day preschool for all four year olds.
 - Recommending the continuation of free breakfast and lunch for all students
 - Two years of community college funding for all high school graduates.
- Welcome to Athletic Director Taylor Schriber along with representatives from the GHHS Girls Swim & Dive team. Coach Doug Thorne, along with team members Genevieve Springer, Emily Dixon, Claudia Busse, Rosalee Springer, and Grace Ackerman were present. They were undefeated in dual meets, won their 3rd straight conference championship, and finished runner-up in Division 1 at State. Coach Thorne was also named the MISCA Division 1 Coach of the Year. Congratulations on an outstanding season.

The Board recognized the team for their outstanding season. .

Public Comment:

Mac Davis - Shared information regarding Artist Jon McDonald, a Grand Haven native, who will have his art on the history of slavery exhibited at St John's Episcopal Church from February 19 - March 1, 2024.

Instructional Services

Mary Jane introduced White Pines Intermediate School Principal, Mike Shelton

White Pines Intermediate School Principal Mike Shelton provided updates on the school's progress on their school improvement goals. This was a continuation of the work being done during PLCs that he presented to the board in October. Mike acknowledged the work of Jenny Shaughnessy, Assistant Principal along with Math and Instructional Coaches Katie Ingram, Laurel Pellegrom, Tiffany Severner and his entire staff. He shared various ways the school has grown student achievement through professional learning communities using an intervention tracker and intervention systems. Data is used to plan targeted interventions and to determine when students are ready to exit an intervention. Because of the continued, high quality work that WPIS is doing around PLC's, Solution Tree has invited them to apply to be a "Model PLC School".

Benchmark Assessment Scores - Mary Jane Evink provided the board with mid-year benchmark data using the iReady diagnostic and percent on track for graduation to show progress toward academic goals for K - 12 grade students. Data was disaggregated by grade levels and sub groups.

17-607 Trustee Holt moved to approve the adoption and purchase of Bridges 3rd Edition K - 4 Math resources from The Math Learning Center in the amount of \$224,726.40.

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

Business Services

17-608 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the contract with Skyward to implement and convert to their financial software. Total cost of implementation and year one will be \$165,456 (implementation & first year) with a subsequent annual recurring cost of \$48,766. We will spread the implementation cost over two fiscal years. This will be paid out of the General Fund.

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

17-609 Trustee Stack moved to approve the purchase of furniture for Special Ed elementary classrooms at a price of \$57,967.26. This will be a fiscal year 2023-24 purchase out of the capital projects fund 42.

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

17-610 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the purchase of two convection steamers for the Food Service Department at a price of \$40,543.10 from Merchandise Equipment. This will be a fiscal year 2023-24 purchase out of the Food Service Fund.

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

17-611 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 Holt seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 6-0**

Human Services

- 17-612** Trustee Stack moved to offer employment contracts to the below-named candidates for the 2023-24 school year, with placement on the salary schedule as presented.

New Hires/ Teachers	Position	Building	Level
Lisa Galer	Teacher - Great Start Readiness Program	Lake Hills	BA Step 1
Ericka Morris	Teacher - Great Start Readiness Program	Central	BA +18 Step 5

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

Superintendent

- 17-613** Trustee Treutler moved to adopt the proposed new/revised board policies as presented.

Policies:

- Policy 0122 Board Powers
- Policy 1420 School Administrator Evaluation
- Policy 3120 Employment of Professional Staff
- Policy 3130 Assignment and Transfer
- Policy 3131 Staff Reductions-Recalls
- Policy 3139 Staff Discipline
- Policy 3140 Termination and Resignation
- Policy 3142 Probationary Teacher
- Policy 3220 Professional Staff Evaluation

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

Board President

President Streng provided a brief update on the superintendent search process. Over 400 responses have been received on MASB's survey and Jay Bennett, MASB Assistant Director of Executive Searches will be in the district tomorrow for input sessions and encourages staff and community members to attend. The board will meet on February 19, 2024 for a special board meeting to go over the data.

There being no further agenda items, President Streng adjourned the meeting at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Nichol Stack, Secretary
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