

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes – Special Board Meeting
April 16, 2024

The Board of Education met on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:00 pm at Griffin Elementary School.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Board President Streng. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Also present: Dawn Kelley and MASB Assistant Director of Executive Search Services Jay Bennet and approximately 31 audience members.

17-620 Trustee Eickholt moved that the meeting agenda be approved as presented.

Trustee Treutler seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0**

Public Comment: None

The purpose of the special meeting was to interview three of the six candidates selected for the position of superintendent.

President Streng introduced the first candidate, Jennifer Herbstreit, Ed.S., Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Holly Area Schools, MI. After answering prepared questions from the board, Ms. Herbstreit was given the opportunity to ask questions of the board and share a closing statement. The interview concluded at 6:55pm

The board took a short recess and reconvened at 7:00pm.

President Streng introduced the second candidate, Raphael Rittenhouse, M.Ed., Superintendent, Gull Lake Community Schools, MI. After answering prepared questions from the board, Mr. Rittenhouse was given the opportunity to ask questions of the board and share a closing statement. The interview concluded at 7:45.

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President Streng introduced the third candidate, John Denney, Ed.S., Superintendent, Hanover-Horton School District, MI. After answering prepared questions from the board, Mr. Denney was given the opportunity to ask questions of the board and share a closing statement. The interview concluded at 8:50pm.

The board took a short recess and reconvened at 9:00pm.

Feedback forms were collected from audience members and copies were distributed to the board. Jay Bennett facilitated gathering input from each board member regarding this evening's candidate's interviews.

There being no further action on agenda items at this time, President Streng adjourned the meeting at 9:29pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Nichol Stack, Secretary

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