# GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION Meeting Minutes - Regular Board Meeting May 13, 2024

The Board of Education met on Monday, May 13, at 7:00 pm at Robinson Elementary School.

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

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

Also present: Scott Grimes, Jason Reinecke, Michael MacDonald, Mary Jane Evink, Dawn Kelley, Cecil Hammond, Matthew Leigh, Jeff Marcus and 25 audience members.

17-631 Trustee Baker moved that the meeting agenda be approved as presented.

Trustee Boyd seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

## 17-632 Trustee Eickholt moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the April 16, 2024 Special Board Meeting, April 17, 2024 Special Board Meeting, April 19, 2024 Board Retreat, April 23, 2024 Special Board Meeting and April 25, 2024 Special Board Meeting
- Payment of Bills for April

Accounts Payable-	\$1	,623,497.05
Expenditures Previously		
Approved by Board Treasurer		
Payroll	\$3	,526,921.50
2020 Building & Site Bond	\$	121,645.25
Ref Pay April, 2024	\$	15,746.75
Edustaff, contracted staff and subs	\$	91,280.31
PNC credit card (credit on account)	\$	26,082.87

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

The following announcements were shared by Superintendent Grimes:

- Our busy month continues with a lot of activities and events taking place. One of the most important to our district was the non-homestead millage renewal vote on Election day. I want to thank our community for your continued support of this request. It is vital to continuing our programs and services. Thank you!
- Another thank you to our high school administrative team, student senate advisors, junior parent committee, and our local businesses for their work and preparation in holding a very successful prom at the Trillium conference Center and the after prom activities, which involves a lot of coordination and late hours for our parents at various locations throughout our community.

- Congratulations to our SO teams for their participation a week ago in Saturday's state tournament which saw our high school team take 3rd place, Lakeshore 8th, White Pines 11th.
- Congratulations to Juli Dick and the choral Ensemble on being selected as a Michigan School Vocal Music Association All-State Ensemble! This represents the group as one of the best choral groups in the state of Michigan. They performed at MSU on Friday as part of the all-state recital.
- Graduation is approaching quickly with:
  - o CHS on Wednesday, May 22 at 7 pm
  - GHHS on Thursday, May 23. At 6:30 pm
- Quick legislative update—All preliminary budgets are completed and now the negotiations begin. We hope to learn more about the final budget by the second week of June.

We had eight (8) elementary students recognized for their artwork that was selected from 70 submissions to be put on banners that will be displayed downtown Grand Haven. This was in conjunction with the City of Grand Haven and Grand Haven Main Street DDA. Students were presented with a certificate along with a banner displaying their artwork to take home.

Tracy Wilson shared about the National Merit award. We had four (4) students receive this prestigious award and two of those students were recognized by the Board.

**Public Comment:** 

None

### Instructional Services

Mary Jane introduced Robinson Principal, Jeff Marcus who provided an update on his school improvement efforts. Robsinon's Shared Leadership Team has identified four pillars in which they organize their work: Climate, Instruction, Collaboration and Connections. He shared the progress and efforts in each category. One special note, Robinson was a recipient of a Grand Haven Schools Foundation Impact Grant to support student behavior. Jeff shared the work that is happening because of this community support. A special significance was Robinson's recognition as a 2023 National Blue Ribbon School.

#### **Business Services**

17-633 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the purchase of the Motorola Portable 2-way Radio System at a total cost not to exceed \$297,291.79. These funds come from the 2023 Safety & Security grant.

Trustee Boyd seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-634 Trustee Stack moved to approve the purchase of Dell 3110 Chromebooks for 5th and 9th grade from Presidio at a total cost not to exceed \$215,512.50. This will be purchased with bond funds.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-635 Trustee Boyd moved to approve the purchase of playground structures at Griffin, Peach Plains, and Ferry Elementary at a total cost of \$538,668. This purchase will utilize 2020 Bond, Capital Projects Fund 42, and General Fund.

Trustee Eickholt seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-636 Trustee Baker moved to approve the proposal from DHE Plumbing and Mechanical for upgrading the GHHS Cooling system in the amount of \$966,240.00. This project will be completed using 2020 Bond funds.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-637 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the contract with Chartwells for the 2024-25 school year.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-638 Trustee Stack moved to approve the recommended per diem meal reimbursement rates for the 2024-25 school year.

Breakfast	2023-24 Rates		2024-25 Proposed rates	
	\$	8.00	\$	10.00
Lunch	\$	14.00	\$	16.00
Dinner	\$	20.00	\$	22.00

Trustee Boyd seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-639 Trustee Baker moved to approve a resolution endorsing the 2024-2025 Budget of the Ottawa Area Intermediate School District.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Holt-Yes; Boyd-Yes; Treutler-Yes; Baker-Yes; Eickholt-Yes; Stack-Yes; Streng-Yes MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-640 Trustee Stack moved to adopt a resolution, which calls for a public hearing to be held at 6:30 p.m. on June 10, 2024.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Holt-Yes; Boyd-Yes; Treutler-Yes; Baker-Yes; Eickholt-Yes; Stack-Yes; Streng-Yes MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-641 Trustee Holt moved to approve the resolution for a ten-year Sinking Fund millage to go before voters at the August 6, 2024 special election.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Holt-Yes; Boyd-Yes; Treutler-Yes; Baker-Yes; Eickholt-Yes; Stack-Yes; Streng-Yes MOTION CARRIED 7-0

## **Human Services**

**17-642** Trustee Boyd moved to offer an employment contract to the below-named candidate for the 2024-25 school year, with placement on the salary schedule as presented.

New Hires/ Teachers	Position	Building	Level
Annie Cook	Teacher - Resource Room	Peach Plains	GHEA MA Step 7
Amy Vriesman	Teacher - ASD	Robinson	GHEA MA +25 Step 12

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

## **Board President**

17-643 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the contract with Kristin Perkowski to be the Superintendent of Schools for Grand Haven Area Public Schools beginning July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, as presented.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Holt-Yes; Boyd-Yes; Treutler-Yes; Baker-Yes; Eickholt-Yes; Stack-Yes; Streng-Yes MOTION CARRIED 7-0

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

Respectfully submitted,

Nichol Stack, Secretary

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