

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes - Regular Board Meeting
June 16, 2025

The Board of Education met on Monday, June 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Education Service Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President Nichol Stack. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Kristal Boyd, Marc Eickholt, Heather Herrygers, Seth Holt, Nichol Stack, and Carl Treutler

ABSENT: Cyndi Casemier

ALSO PRESENT: Kristin Perkowski, Jason Reinecke, Mary Jane Evink, Michael MacDonald, Sara VanderZee, Nate Hunt, Cecil Hammond, Matthew Leighy, and approximately 20 audience members.

17-741 Trustee Eickholt moved that the meeting agenda be approved as presented.

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

17-742 Trustee Treutler moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the June 4, 2025 Special Board Meeting
- Payment of Bills for May

Accounts Payable-	\$1,899,324.90
Expenditures Previously	
Approved by Board Treasurer	
Payroll	\$5,663,523.28
2020 Building & Site Bond	\$ 0.00
Ref Pay May, 2025	\$ 20,409.70
Edustaff, contracted staff and subs	\$ 282,537.25
PNC/Commerce credit card (credit on account)	\$ 18,146.67

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The following announcements were shared by Superintendent Perkowski:

- Congratulations to our State Champion in the 1600M Track & Field.
- A letter of affirmation was received from the Armed Services Marathon committee for hosting the event at GHHS.

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES:

17-743 Trustee Treutler moved to approve the renewal purchase of Big Ideas as presented.

Trustee Eickholt seconded the motion. Evink explained this is the total cost for four (4) years.
MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0

17-744 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the purchase of Cornell University Training Services as presented.

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

Mary Jane Evink presented the Benchmark Assessment Scores, which showed an increased growth from previous years with ALL of our K-8 schools falling in the high performing and high growth categories. These results include English Learners that sometimes experience less growth. We have seen great improvement in math with the younger students due in part to the new Bridges curriculum, as well as the teachers' hard work in the classroom.

17-745 Trustee Treutler moved to approve Carol Sanchez as our Grand Haven Area Public School's representative on the Loutit Library Board of Trustees.

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

17-746 Trustee Treutler moved to adopt the resolution for membership in the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the 2025-26 school year.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. By a **ROLL CALL** vote, the **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

BUSINESS SERVICES:

17-747 Trustee Eickholt moved to adopt Michigan Department of Treasury Form L-4029 for the 2025 tax levies.

Trustee Boyd seconded the motion. By a **ROLL CALL** vote, the **MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0**

17-748 Trustee Herrygers moved to approve the 2024-25 Final Budget Amendment.

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

17-749 Trustee Herrygers moved to approve the proposed 2025-26 budget as presented.

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

17-750 Trustee Holt moved to approve the above bank depositories/financial institutions and authorized district credit card users for school district funds for the 2025-26 school year.

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

17-751 Trustee Eickholt moved to accept the proposal from WMJ for Teacher Assistant services as presented.

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

17-752 Trustee Treutler moved to approve the purchase of the Cisco network infrastructure hardware from Sentinel Technologies at a total cost not to exceed \$267,637.84.

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

17-753 Trustee Holt moved to approve the two year contracts with Harbor Transit and Loutit District Library.

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

17-754 Trustee Boyd moved to approve the contract with WMAAA for the 2025-26 school year.

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

HUMAN SERVICES:

New Hires/Teachers	Position	Building	Level
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Hannah Paulson	Teacher – Elementary Music	Robinson & Peach	BA Step 2
Jeanne Sherman	Teacher – Secondary Math	GHHS	BA Step 3

17-755 Trustee Treutler moved to offer employment contract to the above-named candidates for the 2025-26 school year, with placement on the salary schedule as presented.

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

17-756 Trustee Eickholt moved to approve the increase for all Non-Association employees for the 2025-26 school year as presented.

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

17-757 Trustee Herrygers moved to approve contract extensions and revisions for listed administrative staff as presented.

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

SUPERINTENDENT:

Superintendent Perkowski along with members of the Strategic Plan Working Group presented the recently finalized Strategic Plan. Three themes emerged after months of work. Jared Kram presented Theme 1: Rigorous, relevant, and engaging learning. Michael MacDonald presented Theme 2: Fiscal responsibility and sustainability. Nate Hunt presented Theme 3: Communication, transparency, and trust.

A committee will be put together to help determine more detailed implementation of the strategic plan. This group will also discuss and determine our Value. The new GHAPS Mission Statement based on a community survey is *Committed to creating a learning environment where students are challenged to think critically, act responsibly, and lead with purpose*. The Tagline is *Inspiring Growth. Empowering Futures*. Our District's Core Values were also reviewed. Perkowski explained plans of getting out in the community more to talk about the strategic plan and gather feedback/input. We will also have a progress dashboard online to keep the community updated.

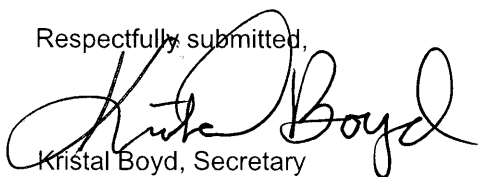
Superintendent Perkowski presented the first reading of the new Thrun Board Policies in preparation for action at the July 21, 2025 Board of Education meeting where we will also be rescinding all Neola policies except the Anti-Bullying, which needs a public hearing.

PRESIDENT:

President Stack reviewed progress of the Board's goals. Full Board meetings will be live streamed starting in July. Board Listening Sessions will be discussed more at the next meeting. The review of the strategic plan and Superintendent's mid-year progress will be moved to July moving forward to help balance the length of regular Board meetings.

There being no further agenda items, President Stack adjourned the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristal Boyd, Secretary
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