

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes - Regular Board Meeting
August 19, 2024

The Board of Education met on Monday, August 19, 2024, at 5:30 pm at the Education Service Center.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President, Chris Streng. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Also present: Kristin Perkowski, Jason Reinecke, Michael MacDonald, Mary Jane Evink, Dawn Kelley and 6 audience members.

17-664 Trustee Baker moved that the meeting agenda be approved as presented.

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

17-665 Trustee Eickholt moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Minutes of the July 22, 2024 regular board meeting
- Payment of Bills for July

Accounts Payable-	\$2,202,939.17
Expenditures Previously Approved by Board Treasurer	
Payroll	\$3,315,176.40
2020 Building & Site Bond	\$ 6,646.88
Ref Pay July, 2024	\$ 9,392.25
Edustaff, contracted staff and subs	\$ 6,876.00
PNC credit card (credit on account)	\$ 19,810.38

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

The following announcements were shared by Superintendent Perkowski:

- We are excited to welcome Nate Hunt, Director of Communications and Marketing and his family to Grand Haven. He comes to us from Battle Creek Public Schools and brings vast experience in public schools. Nate will give the board a brief update at our September meeting.
- We have scheduled our external community input sessions for September 23, 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm and September 24, 8:30 am-11:30 am and 1:00 pm -4:00 pm.

Public Comment:

Kate Hoffmeyer spoke regarding her concerns about the Casel SEL framework and how it is being implemented at GHAPS.

Human Services

- 17-666** Trustee Boyd moved to offer an employment contract to the below-named candidates for the 2024-25 school year, with placement on the salary schedule as presented.

New Hires/ Teachers	Position	Building	Level
Brittany Ball	Teacher - SSW	Lake Hills	MA Step 5
Xavier Golden	Teacher - Art	GHHS	BA Step 2
Elizabeth Hough	Teacher – GSRP	Ferry	BA Step 3*
Leslie Smies	Teacher - IRR	GHHS	MA + 25 Step 19
Samantha Westrick	Teacher – GSRP (.50)	Central	BA Step 1

*\$5,000 salary reduction due to letter of agreement.

Administration	Position	Building	Salary
Nathan Hunt	Director of Communications and Marketing	ESC	\$124,000

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

- 17-667** Trustee Stack moved to approve language changes, as presented, to the contract with the GHEA through June 2026.

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

Superintendent Perkowski presented the first reading of the new/revised/rescinded board policies.

- New Policy - po2264 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities
- New Policy - po6350 Prevailing Wage
- Existing Policy (language added/rescinded) - po1240 Evaluation of the Superintendent
- Existing Policy (language added/rescinded) - po2266 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities
- Existing Policy (language added/rescinded) - po2414 Reproductive Health and Family Planning
- Existing Policy (language added/rescinded) - po2418 Sex Education
- Existing Policy (language added) - po6220 Budget Preparation
- Existing Policy (language added/rescinded) - po6520 Payroll Deductions
- Existing Policy (language added/rescinded) - po8800 Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies and Observances
- Existing Policy (technical corrections) - po3220 Professional Staff Evaluation
- Existing Policy (technical corrections) - po6320 Purchasing
- Existing Policy (technical corrections) - po6321 New School Construction, Renovation
- Existing Policy (technical corrections) - po6325 Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds
- Rescinded Policy - po2410 Prohibition of Referral or Assistance

Board President Chris Streng introduced Jay Bennett, MASB Assistant Director of Executive Search Services. Due to a recent change in law which requires school boards to be trained in the superintendent evaluation process and rater reliability training, Jay provided the board with the required training. He outlined the board's responsibility in the evaluation process and reviewed the evaluation tool that is used. As part of the executive search process in hiring our new superintendent, Jay also reviewed some important tips to consider in the best process of supporting a new superintendent.

There being no further agenda items, President Streng adjourned the meeting at 7:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "N. Stack".

Nichol Stack, Secretary
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