GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Minutes -Regular Board Meeting
March 9, 2020

The Board of Education met on Monday, March 9, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at Ferry/Voyager Elementary School.
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Board President John Siemion. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Present: Siemion, Treutler, Streng, Stack, Holt, and Baker, and O’Neal
Also present: Ingall, Grimes, Dew, Wheeler, Fieser, Evink and approximately 50 audience members.
The meeting agenda was approved as presented.

17-268 Trustee Treutler moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:
   • Minutes of the February 10, 2020, Regular Board Meeting.
   • Payment of Bills for February 2020.
     - Accounts Payable-Exhibit I                             $ 1,404,300.95
     - Expenditures Previously Approved by Board Treasurer
     - Payroll-Exhibit II                                     $ 3,187,112.87
     - 2017 Building & Site Bond                              $  90,883.78
     - Ref Pay January, 2020                                  $   8,155.15

Trustee O’Neal seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

The following announcements were shared by Superintendent Ingall:

• Ferry/Voyager staff were affirmed for their culture of caring.
• An update was given on the Coronavirus, staying abreast of developments via OCPD, MIDHHS, MDE, and others.
• An acknowledgment of Kindergarten Round-Up March 10th in each elementary school at 6:00 pm.
• A reminder of the OASBA meeting March 10, Seth Holt will receive Award of Distinction and full board, MASB Honor Board Award.

Audience Participation: 31 audience members spoke regarding the content of school libraries and 1 parent spoke regarding concerns of Open Door moving from Ferry to Central for the 2020-19 school year.

5-minute recess at 8:55 pm; Meeting resumed at 9:01 pm.

Instructional Services:

Ferry / Voyager schools have been working to grow student achievement through their professional learning communities, planning lessons collaboratively, examining student data, and intervening for students as needed. Accepted in cohort B of the HIL Project, Ferry / Voyager participated in Instructional Rounds to identify celebrations and areas to focus on further growth. The celebrations were numerous, the most Kyle Mayer, Assistant Superintendent of the OAISD had ever seen, including strong student engagement in learning and caring, compassionate culture. Three recommendations emerged. 1) Professional learning on literacy/curriculum. 2) Time to collaborate. 3) Publicize the great learning happening there, and provide foundational experiences these students do not get from the PTO or their homes. Moving forward, Ferry/ Voyager will be working intentionally with their staff and Literacy Coach Marie DeGroot to raise literacy achievement with these actionable tasks. Additionally, Voyager school continues to improve by embedding project-based learning aligned to curriculum standards.
17-269  Trustee Streng moved to approve the proclamation naming April 19-25, 2020 as National Library Week, and encourage all residents to visit the Loutit District library during this week.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

17-270  Trustee Treutler moved to adopt the science curriculum for grades 6-8 as presented.

Trustee Holt seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

Finance and Operations

17-271  Trustee O’Neal moved to adopt the resolution authorizing issuance and sale of 2020 School Building and Site school bonds for a total of $10,780,000.

Trustee Stack seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

Human Services

17-272  Trustee Treutler moved to offer an employment contract to the above-named candidate for the 2019-20 school year, with placement on the salary schedule as presented.

Trustee Streng seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

There being no further agenda items, President Siemion adjourned the meeting at 9:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nichol Stack, Secretary
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