



# Grand Haven Area Public Schools

## Board Business Committee Minutes

May 9, 2023 4:30 p.m.

Attendees: Chris Baker, Chris Streng, Marc Eikholt, Scott Grimes, Michael MacDonald

Additional guests: Matthew Leigh, Jason MacKay

**Public Comment:** None

**Bus Purchase:** Purchased unleaded buses. Almost failed a few inspections with the state due to some failed parts with the gas engines. Purchase through the MSBO bus purchase program. Bid out and districts are able to take advantage.

**Special Ed Furniture Purchase:** A motion will be made to approve a purchase of special ed furniture. Lower elementary classroom furniture was replaced in the past year and now we have the opportunity to replace the Special Ed elementary classroom furniture. This purchase will go through a cooperative purchasing process with Omnia Partners and MeTEOR Education, LLC. Manufacturers that will be used are local Michigan companies (SAFFE Furniture and Fomcore in Muskegon).

**Chromebook Purchase:** Technology will be bringing chromebook purchases for 3, 4, 5, and 9th grade. This purchase is to stay within the replacement cycle for the chromebooks. Purchase for 5th & 9th grade chromebook cases will also be presented.

**Budget Hearing Resolution:** A motion to adopt the budget hearing resolution for the 2023-24 Budget will be made at Monday's board meeting. Proposed time will be at 6:30 pm on June 12th. Michael will be bringing the 2022-23 Final Amendment along with the 2023-24 Proposed budget to the June 12th board meeting for approval.

**OAISD General Fund Budget:** Board will be asked to support a resolution endorsing the 2023-24 general fund budget of the OAISD.

### Highlights:

- Upgrades to building controls (\$120,000)
- Install fiber between Spring Lake and Coopersville (\$374,080)
- Projected deficit of \$476,860
- Projected fund balance will be 14%

**Food Service Contract Renewal:** For your consideration is the approval of the Chartwells Food Service Contract renewal for the 2023-24 School year. This is the fourth year on the new contract. Highlights of the contract include an increase in management fees and administration costs of 4% (this cannot exceed

the current CPI rate of 8.8%). Allergy practices have been reviewed along with the Food Service department becoming

**Per Diem Meal Reimbursement Rates:** Current per diem meal reimbursements rates and recommendations for the 2023-24 school year. The 22-23 rates have been consistent for the past several years and as food costs continue to rise, the recommendation is to increase rates by \$2.00.

**First Review of Board Goals:**

- As a result of the board's self evaluation, Christine presented board goals.
- Identify academic growth goals for the dashboard.
- Governance review and update for the policy and business committee.
- Stakeholder engagement. The president, vice president and superintendent would take responsibility for this.
- Re-look at the superintendent's evaluation process before December.
- Committee members felt this was an accurate summary of the goals discussed. Some are more long term than others. Want to keep these goals in front of the board.

**Superintendent update:**

- Many performances and concerts happening. Science Olympiad team captured their 19th State Championship. They compete next week in the national tournament in Wichita, Kansas.
- Grateful for the community support for the operating mileage, and will look for community feedback, possibly a survey, regarding the bond proposal that failed. This could be ready for distribution as early as next week.
- There is a special board meeting tomorrow. Tuesday, May 9 at 5:30 pm with one item: The OAISD election process.
- First reading of board policy updates will be at the May board meeting.
- May 18 is graduation at Grand Haven High School and May 24 is graduation for Central High School at Lakeshore Middle School Stadium.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 pm.