



Grosse Pointe Board of Education
Regular Meeting - April 14, 2025
MINUTES
Brownell Middle School
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Meeting Minutes

Encl: 5.1.

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

President Worden called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Board members present: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Absent: Trustees: None

Late Arrival: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

Also Present: Superintendent Dr. Andrea Tuttle, Dr. Roy Bishop, Dr. Chris Stanley, Shelbi Frayer and DeeAnn Irby

2. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA FOR APRIL 14, 2025

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Hull

THAT the Board approve the Agenda for April 14, 2025, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

3. STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT WORDEN ON SAFETY PROTOCOL

President Worden gave a statement regarding safety protocol in our district.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

A. Presentation by Pierce Middle School - NJHS - Reading with Feeder Schools

Principal Sara Dirkse introduced students from the National Junior Honor Society at Pierce.

B. Miss Hockey-MHSAA, (Coach Taylor Shaheen)

Taylor Shaheen introduced Josie Keuter, who was voted Miss Hockey, the most outstanding female high

school hockey player in Michigan this year.

C. Family Center Suicide Prevention–North and South Students (Dr. Bishop)

____ Students discussed the upcoming suicide walk and how important it is for our district.

D. Trombly Survey–EPIC MRA presentation (Dr. Stanley and Mr. Kelly Sullivan)

Dr. Stanley and Kelly Sullivan presented the details and results of the Trombly survey. Multiple questions and comments from board members followed this.

E. Bond Advisory Committee Update (Dr. Tuttle)

Trustee Derringer made a motion that the board be committed to using the bond initiative to get the Trombly building up to code for future Grosse Pointe Public School System use.

It was Moved by: Trustee Derringer

Supported by: Trustee Cotton

Roll Call:	Trustee Jeup	Yes
	Trustee Klepp	Yes
	Trustee Hull	Yes
	Trustee Cotton	Yes
	Trustee Derringer	Yes
	Trustee St. John	Yes
	Trustee Worden	Yes

Motion carried 7-0 vote

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR APRIL 14, 2025

Beth Bornoty, GPW, spoke in support of Cindy Parravano

Lisa Papas, GPC, discussed Plante Moran, the budget and Trombly

Taryn Loughlin, GPEA, talked about the threats from the previous meeting and transparency of hiring.

Terry Collins, GPP, discussed the Plante Moran contract

Matt Kahl, GPP, talked about options regarding Trombly

6. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR APRIL 14, 2025

6.1. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 31, 2025

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Klepp

THAT the Board approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for March 31, 2025.

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

6.2. APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FOR MARCH 31, 2025

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Klepp

THAT the Board approve the Closed Session Minutes for March 31, 2025

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

6.3. APPROVAL OF REVISION OF POLICY 3.26 - COMPLIANCE WITH MICHIGAN SEX EDUCATION STATUTE

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Jeup

THAT the Board approve the Revision of Policy 3.26 - Compliance with Michigan Sex Education Statute

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

6.4. APPROVAL OF REVISION OF POLICY 4.11 - REINSTATEMENT POLICY FOLLOWING PERMANENT EXPULSION

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Hull

THAT the Board approve the Revision of Policy 4.11 - Reinstatement Policy Following Permanent Expulsion

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

6.5. APPROVAL OF PLANTE MORAN CONTRACT

Plante Moran answered questions from board members

It was Moved by: Trustee Worden

Supported by: Trustee Klepp

THAT the Board approve the Approval of Plante Moran Contract

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: Trustee: Jeup

Motion carried 6-1 vote

6.6. APPROVAL OF BUDGET REVISION - GAAA #1

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Budget Revision - GAAA #1

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

6.7. APPROVAL OF STEAAM FOUNDATION AI CAMP GRANT

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Jeup

THAT the Board approve the STEAAM Foundation AI Camp Grant

Trustee Cotton recused himself from the vote as he serves on the STEAAM Foundation Board

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

6.8. APPROVAL OF HIRING DR. SARA DELGADO AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

It was Moved by: Trustee Worden

Supported by: Trustee Jeup

THAT the Board approve the hiring Dr. Sara Delgado as Executive Director of Teaching and Learning

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

6.9. APPROVAL OF HIRING MS. CINDY PARRAVANO AS GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

It was Moved by: Trustee Cotton

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the hiring Ms. Cindy Parravano as Grosse Pointe South High School Principal

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, St. John, Cotton, Jeup, Klepp, Hull, Derringer

Nays: None

Motion carried 7-0 vote

7. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR APRIL 28, 2025

7.1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for April 14, 2025

7.2. Approval of GPFPE Spring Grants

7.3. Approval of Ehresman Architectural Contract for Trombly Window Replacement

Trustee Derringer gave an update on this project

7.4. Approval of Ehresman Architectural Contract for Grosse Pointe N and S Chiller Replacement

Trustee Derringer gave an update on this project

7.5. Approval of Revision of Policy 8.09 - Advertising; Distribution of Posting of Information

Trustee St. John provided an update on the policy, followed by Dr. Bishop who elaborated further with additional details. Several questions and comments were made by board members.

8. REMINDER TO BOARD MEMBERS TO SUBMIT PROPOSED BOARD NORMS - 1ST READ - APRIL 28, 2025 MEETING

President Worden explained that this is ready to be submitted for the next board meeting.

9. FUTURE MEETINGS

9.1. BOE Regular Meeting, Monday, April 28, 2025, 7:00 pm, North PAC

9.2. Facilities Meeting, Monday, May 5, 2025, 5:30 pm, North Library

9.3. Policies Meeting, Monday, May 5, 2025, 6:30 pm, Central Office Board Room

9.4. BOE Regular Meeting, Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 7:00 pm, Brownell MPR

9.5. Bond Advisory Council Meeting, Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 6:00 pm, North Library

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

Nick Symonette, GPW, talked about his concerns with Parcels leadership and how the children are doing.
Angela Brohl, GPF, talked about the students and AI in the district
Terry Collins, GPP, talked about organ donation, Plante Moran, committees and the bond
Lisa Papas, GPC, discussed the threat that was made at the past meeting.
Nafeesah Symonette, GPW, talked about the district's hiring processes.
Matt Kahl, GPP, discussed Trombly
Beverly Bennert, GPP, read a comment from Mayor Michelle Hodges, regarding Trombly
Luke Donahue, GPP, discussed Trombly
Kevin Nugent, GPF, talked about the Bond Advisory Committee.
Shantrell Griffin, GPF, discussed leadership at Parcels.

11. BOARD MEMBER / SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Trustee Jeup thanked the police for being here tonight and spoke about the upcoming holiday

Trustee Klepp discussed the threat that was made towards Trustee Cotton

Trustee Hull thanked our students for coming tonight and also mentioned our children. She closed with discussing the threat made towards Trustee Cotton

Dr. Stanley talked about the upcoming PD day

Trustee Cotton congratulated Dr. Delgado and Ms. Parravano. He also discussed the threat that was made at the last meeting.

Trustee Derringer gave a shout-out to everyone doing extracurricular roles and thanked them all. He mentioned how much is happening at this time of year.

Trustee St. John provided an overview of the seasonal activities and emphasized that any board member may call for a recess in the event of a threat. She also stressed that personal attacks or character assaults will not be tolerated

Ms. Irby discussed that she looks forward to working with everyone on the budget and how thankful she is for Dr. Tuttle.

Dr. Bishop thanked the Parcels staff for coming out tonight and what he hopes to accomplish with hiring and how we need to make the kids our main priority.

Dr. Tuttle thanked everyone who spoke tonight and emphasized that they were heard. She also thanked the officers for being here tonight.

President Worden talked about the Pierce Community and the NJHS students tonight. She also thanked the Family Center for speaking tonight. She also thanked Dr. Tuttle for the leaders that she has chosen and that she listened to the speakers who spoke about Parcels tonight and hopes that whoever is the leader, they will be responsive to the community. She thanked Dr. Tuttle and Dr. Bishop for making safety the top priority, and for the officers who were here. She closed with commending the boards for such a respectful conversation about Trombly.

12. ADJOURNMENT

President Worden adjourned the meeting at 10:11 pm.

Valarie St. John, Secretary