



**Grosse Pointe Board of Education**  
**Minutes of the**  
**GROSSE POINTE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**June 20, 2023**

**Enclosure: 6.1.**

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

President Ismail called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

**Board members present:** Trustees: St. John, Jeup, Worden, Cotton, Ismail, Brumbaugh and Papas

**Absent:** None

**Late Arrival:** None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

**Also Present:** Superintendent Dr. M. Jon Dean and Deputy Superintendent Dr. Roy Bishop, Jr. and Deputy Superintendent Amanda Matheson

**2. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA FOR JUNE 20, 2023 - 6:30 pm**

President Ismail recommended that item 5.12 be moved as the first item discussed under Item 5, and to combine Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 5.8 and 5.10 into a Consent Agenda.

**It was moved by:** Trustee Papas

**Supported by:** Trustee Cotton

**THAT the Board approve the Amended Agenda for June 20, 2023 as amended.**

**Ayes:** Trustees: St. John, Jeup, Worden, Cotton, Ismail, Brumbaugh and Papas

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried 7 - 0 vote**

**3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - 6:32 pm**

**3.1. Gearheads Presentation**

Superintendent Dean introduced the student members of the Gearheads and asked them to explain the details of their robot, their 2023 competition, their program and what it's like to be a Gearhead. This was followed by their lead mentor, who gave a detailed background of the history of the robotics program and the awards and competitions the students are involved in. They concluded with a demonstration of their robot.

### 3.2. East Metro Athletics Fieldhouse

Dean introduced Ed Lazar who gave a detailed description of where the proposed plan for the Athletic Fieldhouse stood at this time. This was followed by questions and comments from multiple board members.

### 3.3. Secondary Grading

Dr. Hartley and several members of the Secondary Grading team: Sharon Drew, Dan Demarco, Carrie Morris, Alexis Lecznar and Don Pata, gave a presentation of the recommendations for secondary grading. This was followed by questions and comments from multiple board members.

**A ten minute break was taken at 8:18 pm**

## 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JUNE 20, 2023 - 8:28 pm

Mandolyn Grattan, teacher, talked about the value of our counselors.

Ken Mokray, GPW, talked about Agenda Item 5.11, SRO.

Katy Neumann, GPW, spoke about the renewal of Administrative contracts.

Terry Collins, GPP, discussed Action Items 5.4, 5.9 and the budget.

Wendy Soubel, GPF, discussed Items 5.11, 6.5, 6.6 and 6.7

Joshua Neds-Fox, GPF, talked about Items 5.9, 5.11 and 5.13.

Jack Somers, GPW, talked about Item 5.12 and the STEAAM Foundation.

Jackie Shelson, teacher, talked about the loss of our teachers and why they are leaving.

Taryn Loughlin, teacher, discussed the GPEA and the loss of our teachers.

Lucia, student, discussed the counseling department cuts and mental health for students.

Michelle White, GPP, talked about the SRO agreement.

Rosy Knapp, GPF, talked about the SRO agreement and contracts.

Andrea Joy, GPF, spoke about the renewal of Administrative contracts and the PR firm.

Maureen Krasner, GPF, discussed the budget cuts and contract renewals.

## 5. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JUNE 20, 2023 - 9:04 pm

### 5.12. Approval of Mason PTO Playscape Project

Deputy Superintendent Matheson introduced Anita Hassan, Mason Principal along with PTO members, Amanda York, Katrina Brennan and Kyle Monroe, to discuss the needs for the Mason PTO Playscape Project and to thank the groups who assisted with this. This was followed by questions and comments from multiple board members.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Papas

**Supported by:** Trustee Brumbaugh

**THAT the Board approve the Mason PTO Playscape Project**

**Ayes:** Trustees: St. John, Jeup, Worden, Cotton, Ismail, Papas and Brumbaugh

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried 7-0 vote**

**Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 5.8 and 5.10** were combined into a Consent Agenda.

Trustee Worden asked that **Item 5.3** be removed from the consent agenda.

**5.1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12 2023**

**5.2. Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2023**

**5.5. Approval of South High School Trip to Germany**

**5.6. Approval of AP Government & Economics Textbook Adoption**

**5.7. Approval of 2023-2024 Line of Credit**

**5.8. Approval of 2023 Tax Rate Request Form L-4029**

**5.10. Approval of North Tennis Court Resurfacing Project**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Cotton

**Supported by:** Trustee Jeup

**THAT the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**Ayes:** Trustees: St. John, Jeup, Worden, Cotton, Ismail, Papas and Brumbaugh

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried 7-0 vote**

Trustee St. John questioned that Item 5.3. Approval of the Human Resources Report be talked about after Item 5.4. Approval of 2023-2024 Original Budget.

**5.4. Approval of 2023-2024 Original Budget**

Matheson gave a brief description of the 2023-2023 Original Budget and stated that there have been no changes since the last presentation of the budget. This was followed by questions and comments from multiple board members.

Trustee Worden explained her opposition to this budget and made a motion to amend the 2023-2024 Original Budget to eliminate the layoff of Mary Anne Brush. This was followed by comments from multiple board members.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Worden

**Supported by:** Trustee Brumbaugh

**THAT the Board approve the amended 2023-2024 Original Budget.**

<b>Roll Call:</b>	<b>Trustee St. John:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Worden:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Jeup:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Cotton:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Papas:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Brumbaugh:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Trustee Ismail: No**

**Motion failed 3-4 vote**

Multiple questions and comments were made by board members regarding the 2023-2024 Original Budget.

Trustee St. John motioned to eliminate the third party provider for marketing and branding study and direct the Administration along with the Community and Engagement Committee to work with the volunteers who have come forth.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee St. John

**Supported by:** Trustee Brumbaugh

**THAT the Board to Remove the Marketing and Branding Study and to Direct the Administration and the Community and Engagement Committee to Work with the Volunteers.**

<b>Roll Call:</b>	<b>Trustee St. John:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Worden:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Jeup:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Cotton:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Papas:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Brumbaugh:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Ismail:</b>	<b>No</b>

**Motion failed 3-4 vote**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Jeup

**Supported by:** Trustee Papas

**THAT the Board End Discussion and Vote on the Budget.**

<b>Roll Call:</b>	<b>Trustee St. John:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Worden:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Jeup:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Cotton:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Papas:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Brumbaugh:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Ismail:</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Motion failed without 5 votes**

Trustee St. John made a motion to continue the meeting for One Additional Hour.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee St. John

**Supported by:** Trustee Brumbaugh

**THAT the Board Continue the Meeting for One Additional Hour past 10:30 pm.**

**Roll Call:**      **Trustee St. John:**              **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Worden:**                      **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Jeup:**                              **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Cotton:**                          **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Papas:**                          **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Brumbaugh:**              **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Ismail:**                          **Yes**

**Motion passed 7-0 vote**

**A ten minute break was taken at 10:29 pm**

**The meeting reconvened at 10:37 pm**

Trustee St. John indicated that she did not have any further questions regarding the budget. The Board returned to the original question regarding a vote for the approval of the 2023-2024 Original Budget.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Papas                                      **Supported by:** Trustee Cotton

**THAT the Board approve the 2023-2024 Original Budget.**

**Roll Call:**      **Trustee St. John:**              **No**  
                         **Trustee Worden:**                      **No**  
                         **Trustee Jeup:**                              **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Cotton:**                          **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Papas:**                          **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Brumbaugh:**              **No**  
                         **Trustee Ismail:**                          **Yes**

**Motion passed 4-3 vote**

**5.3. Approval of Human Resources Report for June 20, 2023**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Papas                                      **Supported by:** Trustee Cotton

**THAT the Board approve the Human Resources Report for June 20, 2023**

**Roll Call:**      **Trustee St. John:**              **No**  
                         **Trustee Worden:**                      **No**  
                         **Trustee Jeup:**                              **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Cotton:**                          **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Papas:**                          **Yes**  
                         **Trustee Brumbaugh:**              **No**  
                         **Trustee Ismail:**                          **Yes**

**Motion passed 4-3 vote**

**5.9. Approval of the Resolution to Renew Executive Administrator Contracts**

Multiple questions and comments were made by several board members.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Worden

**Supported by:** Trustee St. John

**THAT the Board approve the Resolution to Renew Executive Administrator Contracts**

<b>Roll Call:</b>	<b>Trustee St. John:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Worden:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Jeup:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Cotton:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Papas:</b>	<b>No</b>
	<b>Trustee Brumbaugh:</b>	<b>Yes</b>
	<b>Trustee Ismail:</b>	<b>No</b>

**Motion failed 3-4 vote**

**5.11. Approval of School Resource Officer (SRO) Agreement**

Superintendent Dean gave a brief description of the SRO agreement and the signing of the contract. This was followed by questions from multiple board members.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Cotton

**Supported by:** Trustee Papas

**THAT the Board Authorize the Superintendent to Sign the Completed SRO MOU's with the City of Grosse Pointe Woods and the City of Grosse Pointe Farms.**

**Ayes:** Trustees: Jeup, Worden, Cotton, Ismail, Papas and Brumbaugh

**Nays:** Trustee: St. John

**Motion carried 6-1 vote**

**5.13 Approval of Policy 1.18 Revision - Board Committees**

President Ismail gave a brief description of this Policy Revision. This was followed by several questions from board members.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Papas

**Supported by:** Trustee Brumbaugh

**THAT the Board approve the Policy 1.18 Revision - Board Committees**

**Ayes:** Trustees: St. John, Jeup, Worden, Cotton, Ismail, Papas and Brumbaugh

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried 7-0 vote**

**6. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JULY 25, 2023 - 11:10 pm**

**6.1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2023**

**6.2. Approval of Human Resources Report for July 25, 2023**

**6.3. Approval of East Metro Athletics Memorandum of Understanding**

~~**6.4. Approval of Policy 1.18 Revision - Board Committees**~~

This item was moved to Item 5.13

**6.5. Approval of Policy 1.40.9 Revision - Public Participation at Open Board Meetings**

Trustee Cotton read the details of this Policy revision. Multiple comments were brought up by board members regarding this.

**6.6. Approval of Policy 2.02 Revision - Duties of the Superintendent**

President Ismail read the paragraph of this policy revision. Multiple comments were brought up by board members.

**6.7. Approval of Policy 2.07 Revision - Councils, Cabinets and Committees**

President Ismail read the paragraph of this policy revision. Multiple comments were brought up by board members.

~~**6.8. Approval of Policy 3.24 Revision - Grading**~~

~~**6.9. Approval of Policy 3.27 Revision - Education Program Leadership Council**~~

**6.10. Approval of Policy 4.02.06 Revision - Children of Staff Members**

Trustee St. John suggested that items 6.11 - 6.24 be put into a Consent Agenda for the July 25th BOE Meeting.

**6.11. Approval of Designated Agent**

**6.12. Approval of Debit/Credit Card Users**

**6.13. Approval of Homeless Liaison Coordinator**

**6.14. Approval of Election Representative**

**6.15. Approval of Freedom of Information Act Coordinator**

**6.16. Approval of Appointment of Representatives to MAISL Joint Risk Management Trust**

**6.17. Approval of Fidelity and Treasurer's Bonds**

**6.18. Approval of Designated Asbestos Coordinator**

**6.19. Approval of Indemnification of Asbestos Operation and Maintenance Employees**

**6.20. Approval of Resolution on Liability Indemnification**

**6.21. Approval of Michigan High School Athletic Association Membership**

**6.22. Approval of MASB Membership**

**6.23. Approval of Resolution to Decline School of Choice**

## **6.24. Approval of 2023-2024 Tuition Rates**

## **6.25. Approval of New Board Bylaw 1.40.9.1 - Other comments by Board Members and Admin.**

Trustee St. John made a motion to continue the meeting for 30 minutes.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee St. John

**Supported by:** Trustee Worden

**THAT the Board Continue the Meeting for 30 Minutes**

**Ayes:** Trustees: St. John, Jeup, Worden, Cotton, Ismail, Papas and Brumbaugh

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried 7-0 vote**

## **7. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION - 11:29 pm**

### **7.1. Monthly Financials/Check Register/Health Care Report**

Matheson gave an overview of the Monthly Financials and the Check Register and mentioned that the financial report would be different in the future starting with July.

### **7.2. Board Requests**

St. John and Brumbaugh asked about a future training event.

## **8. FUTURE MEETINGS - 11:31 pm**

~~8.1. BOE Finance & Facilities Meeting, Wednesday, June 21, 2023, 6:00 pm, Barnes PLS~~

~~8.2. BOE Community Engagement Meeting, Thursday, June 22, 2023, 6:00 pm, Barnes PLS~~

~~8.3. BOE Curriculum Meeting, Monday, June 26, 2023, 6:00 pm, Barnes PLS~~

8.4. BOE Policy & Contracts Meeting, Monday, July 17, 2023, 6:00 pm, Barnes, PLS

8.5. BOE Finance & Facilities Meeting, Tuesday, July 18, 2023, 6:00 pm, Barnes PLS

8.6. BOE Community Engagement Meeting, Wednesday, July 19, 2023, 6:00 pm, Barnes PLS

8.7. BOE Regular Meeting, Tuesday July, 25, 2023, 6:30 pm, Brownell MPR

## **9. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS - 11:32 pm**

Terry Collins, GPP, talked about the budget that was now approved.

Blagica Bogligiero, GPW, talked about the families who feel that the board is not listening to what they want.

Brent Maynard, teacher, discussed the board committees changing multiple board policies.

Mandolyn Grattan, teacher, talked about the students who speak at these meetings and asked the board to give them the time to be heard.

## **11. OTHER COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT - 11:43 pm**

**Trustee Brumbaugh** said that he supports the new policy to limit board member comments.

**Trustee Papas** talked about how happy she is that the budget passed and that she is supportive of the SRO.

**Trustee St. John** mentioned the students and how much she respects that they get up to speak. She feels it's unfortunate that the board is not listening to their comments and opinions as our job is to listen to the public. She closed by stating that this budget is not fiscally responsible.

**Trustee Worden** thanked the Gearheads for their presentation. She said that she wholeheartedly rejects this budget as it chooses buildings over people. She feels that it doesn't take into account the stakeholders of this community. She feels that the community will unfortunately see the results when Rebecca Fannon has to take on all of the communication responsibilities herself. She closed with talking about the Poupard neighborhood and thanking the Harper Woods officials for coming out tonight.

**Trustee Jeup** said that she feels very accomplished with the over 23 meetings that have taken place so far this year. She said that as we go into break she wants to focus on her family and how proud she is of them. The decisions made at the upcoming July 25th meeting will help us to shape the district for generations to come. She concluded by reiterating her dedication to this district to receive an outstanding education.

**Deputy Superintendent Bishop** wanted to say thank you to our students and our teachers for their dedication to our schools.

**Trustee Cotton** stated that this budget does take into account the teachers, the students and the community and to have a great summer.

**Superintendent Dean** asked that everyone stay safe and have a great summer.

**President Ismail** echoed the sentiments of everyone.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

President Ismail adjourned the meeting at 11:52 pm.

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Ginny Jeup, Secretary