



Grosse Pointe Board of Education
Regular Meeting - January 9, 2024
MINUTES
Brownell MPR
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Enclosure: 5.1.

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, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins, and Ismail

Absent: Trustee Papas

Late Arrival: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

Also Present: Deputy Superintendent Dr. Roy Bishop, Jr.

2. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA FOR JANUARY 9, 2024

President Ismail brought up the fact the Superintendent Fenton was not in attendance and Item 6.3. would need to be deleted from the agenda for this meeting and will be addressed at the next meeting.

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Board Agenda for January 9, 2024, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Deputy Superintendent Bishop talked about the new energy in our buildings after the holiday and thanked everybody for their continued support.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JANUARY 9, 2024

There were no public comments.

5. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JANUARY 9, 2024

5.1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2023

It was Moved by: Trustee Jeup

Supported by: Trustee Collins

THAT the Board approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2024, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

5.2. Approval of HR Report for January 9, 2024

Lillie Loder introduced two new supervisors to her department Vanessa Coverdill and Lisa Aouad.

It was Moved by: Trustee Jeup

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the HR Report for January 9, 2024, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

5.3. Election of Officers

President Ismail explained that he was not in the capacity to be voted as the board president.

Trustee Ismail motioned Trustee Cotton for President with a **Second from Trustee Jeup.**

THAT the Board approve Trustee Cotton as Board President for 2024.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

It was Moved by: Trustee Cotton

Supported by: Trustee Jeup

THAT the Board approve Trustee Ismail as Vice-President of the Board of Education for 2024.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: Trustee Worden

Motion carried 5-1 vote

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It was Moved by: Trustee Ismail

Supported by: Trustee Jeup

THAT the Board approve Trustee Collins as Treasurer of the Board of Education for 2024.

Ayes: Trustees: Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: Trustees: Worden and St. John

Motion carried 4-2 vote

It was Moved by: Trustee Worden

Supported by: Trustee St. John

THAT the Board approve Trustee St. John as Secretary of the Board of Education for 2024.

Ayes: Trustees: Worden, Cotton, and St. John

Nays: Trustees: Jeup, Collins and Ismail

Motion failed 3-3 vote

It was Moved by: Trustee Ismail

Supported by: Trustee Collins

THAT the Board approve Trustee Papas as Secretary of the Board of Education for 2024.

Ayes: Trustees: Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: Trustees: Worden and St. John

Motion carried 4-2 vote

5.4. Approval of Policy 1.17 Revision

It was Moved by: Trustee Ismail

Supported by: Trustee Collins

THAT the Board approve the Policy 1.17 Revision, as presented.

Trustee Ismail gave an overview of the details of this policy revision. This was followed by multiple comments and questions from several board members.

Ayes: Trustees: Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: Trustees: Worden and St. John

Motion carried 5-2 vote

5.5. Declaration of Board Member Compensation

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT each Board Member Declare Acceptance or Redirection of Compensation, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

Trustee St. John: donate to fund Closed Captioned capabilities of the BOE meetings.

Trustee Worden: donate to Parcels PTO.

Trustee Jeup: donate to the Special Education Program after she reviews the numbers.

Trustee Cotton: forego compensation.

Trustee Collins: donate to South Girls and Boys Swim Teams.

Trustee Ismail: would like to receive compensation and give it back to an organization of his choosing.

5.6. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Calendar for 2024

It was Moved by: Trustee Ismail

Supported by: Trustee Jeup

THAT the Board approve the Regular Board Meeting Calendar for 2024, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins, and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

5.7. Approval of Resolution of Continuance of Funds and Designation of Signatories on Accounts

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Jeup

THAT the Board approve the Resolution of Continuance of Funds and Designation of Signatories on Accounts, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins, and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

5.8. Approval of Appointment of Representative to MAISL Joint Risk Management Trust

It was Moved by: Trustee Jeup

Supported by: Trustee Ismail

THAT the Board approve the Appointment of Representative to MAISL Joint Risk Management Trust, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: St. John, Worden, Jeup, Cotton, Collins, and Ismail

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0 vote

6. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JANUARY 16, 2024

6.1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for January 9, 2024

6.2. Approval of Budget Parameters (2024-2025)

Trustee Cotton read the Budget Parameters for 2024-2025. This was followed by several comments and questions from multiple BOE members.

6.3. Approval of 2023-2024 GAAA #2

6.4. Approval of Grosse Pointe South Scoreboard Bid

Ben Matteson provided background information on the need for the new South scoreboard. This was followed by questions and comments from multiple trustees.

6.5. Approval of Elworthy Tennis Courts Bid

Ben Matteson provided background information on the need for the repair of the Elworthy Tennis Courts. This was followed by questions and comments from multiple BOE members.

7. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

There were no topics

8. FUTURE MEETINGS

8.1. BOE Regular Meeting, Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 6:30 pm, Brownell MPR

8.2. BOE District Budget Meeting, Monday, January 29, 2024, 6:30 pm, Barnes PLS

8.3. BOE Policy-Contracts Meeting, Tuesday, January 30, 2024, 5 pm, Barnes PLS

8.4. BOE Finance & Facilities Meeting, Tuesday, January 30, 2024, 6:30 pm, Barnes PLS

8.5. BOE Curriculum Meeting, Wednesday, January 31, 2024, 5:00 pm, Barnes PLS

8.6. BOE Community Engagement Meeting, Wednesday, January 31, 2024, 6:30 pm, Barnes PLS

8.7. BOE Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 6, 2024, 6:30 pm, Brownell MPR

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

Mayor Michelle Hodges, GPP, discussed the wishes of Grosse Pointe Park regarding Trombly Elementary and the future of this building.

10. BOARD MEMBER/SUPERINTENDENT DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS COMMENTS

Trustee St. John discussed the Unified Basketball Team and the upcoming production at Parcels and the upcoming Career Days.

Trustee Worden talked about the upcoming Parcels production and the School Information nights. She wished our students and teachers good luck with the upcoming finals.

Trustee Jeup congratulated the GP alumni who played on the U of M football team. She reiterated the dates of the Unified Basketball Games and congratulated President Cotton.

Trustee Collins echoed the thoughts on the Unified Basketball Team. He also discussed the North swim meet next Tuesday and the South meet this week. He also talked about the hockey teams and how we should get out and support our sports teams, music theatre, choirs, and bands.

Deputy Superintendent Dr. Bishop expounded on our Unified Basketball Teams. He also discussed the rising student events that we have. He also talked about board appreciation month this January.

Trustee Ismail talked about what a challenging year this had been and how much he appreciated everything that everyone had done. He also discussed board appreciation month and the great board that we have.

President Cotton also talked about the Unified Basketball Team and how amazing it is to attend one of these games. He thanked everyone for voting him in as president for this past year and for their support.

11. ADJOURNMENT

President Cotton adjourned the meeting at 7:41 pm.

Ginny Jeup, Secretary