



**Grosse Pointe Board of Education Enclosure: VI. A.
Regular Session Minutes
Brownell Multipurpose Room
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236
April 25, 2022**

Enclosure: VI.A.

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

Vice President Worden called the regular meeting to order at **7:00 p.m.**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

Board members present: Trustees: Weertz, Worden, Lee, Ismail, Papas and Brumbaugh

Absent: none

Late Arrival: Trustee Herd (late arrival 7:06 pm)

Also present: Superintendent Dr. M. Jon Dean, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Roy Bishop and Deputy Superintendent Amanda Matheson

II. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 28, 2022 - 7:01pm

It was moved by: Trustee Weertz **Supported by:** Trustee Lee

THAT the Board approve the Regular Agenda for April 25, 2022, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Weertz, Worden, Ismail, Lee, Papas and Brumbaugh

Nays: none

Absent: Trustee Herd

Motion carried 6- 0 vote

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - 7:02 pm

A. Winter Athletics Recognition

Dr. Dean introduced Brandon Wheeler (South) and Michelle Davis (North) and then recognized the outstanding athletes from Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North.

B. Good News Report - MaryAnne Brush

MaryAnne Brush talked about Autism Awareness month and gave an overview of our Special Ed programs with a focus on autism along with the celebrations of Earth Week that took place across the district.

President Herd discussed the concerns presented to the board by Trustee Papas at the previous board meeting. Jon Dean gave a presentation to discuss each of the points brought up by Papas.

Topic #1 gave an overview of the Transparent Use of Bond Dollars. He also introduced Amanda Van Dusen from Miller Canfield, who talked about the legalities governing the bond. Dean then introduced Paul Theriault from Plante Moran, who proceeded to give a more detailed overview of what the budget is being used for.

Topic #2 covered the plans for the IA Building at South High School. Paul Theriault gave a detailed description of the work that was being considered.

Topic #3 discussed the McCarthyism Lesson at South High School.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR March 21, 2022 - 8:44 pm

Terrence Collins, GPP, spoke about administrator contract extensions.

Shannon Burn, GPF, spoke about the revisions for public comment.

JeDonna Dinges, GPW, spoke about the revisions for public comment.

Kate Hopper, GPF, spoke about the administrator contract extensions.

Maria Simon, GPF, spoke about the listening sessions.

Stacey DeRubeis, GPW, spoke about social media posts and the public speaking guidelines.

Judy Gaffa, GPW, spoke about the revisions for public comment.

Peter Dow, GPF, spoke about how the district needs healing.

Valarie St.John, GPP, spoke about social media posts and the public speaking guidelines.

V. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR April 25, 2022 - 9:17 pm

A. Approval of Work Session Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2022

It was moved by: Trustee Worden **Supported by:** Trustee Weertz

THAT the Board approve the Work Session Minutes for April 11, 2022 as presented

Ayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Ismail, Lee, Papas and Brumbaugh

Nays: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0 vote

B. Approval of the Human Resources Report for April 25, 2022

It was moved by: Trustee Weertz **Supported by:** Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Human Resources Report for April 25, 2022 as presented

Ayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Ismail, Lee, Papas and Brumbaugh

Nays: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7-0 vote

Dr. Roy Bishop introduced Dan Hartley as the new Director of Secondary Education.

C. Approval of Extension of GPPSS Superintendent Contract

It was moved by: Trustee Worden **Supported by:** Trustee Brumbaugh

THAT the Board approve the Extension of GPPSS Superintendent Contract as presented

Ayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Lee and Brumbaugh

Nays: Trustees Papas and Ismail

Absent: none

Late Arrival: none

Motion carried 5-2 vote

Trustees Weertz, Lee and Worden talked about how they supported the extension of the superintendent's contract.

Trustee Papas expressed that she did not agree with the extension.

Trustee Brumbaugh discussed the reasons that he supported the extension.

Trustee Ismail agreed with Papas and her reasons for being against the extension.

D. Approval of Extension of GPPSS Executive Administrator Contracts

It was moved by: Trustee Lee **Supported by:** Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Extension of GPPSS Executive Administrator Contracts as presented

Ayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Lee and Brumbaugh

Nays: Trustee Papas and Ismail

Absent: none

Late Arrival: none

Motion carried 5-2 vote

Trustee Brumbaugh went into detail as to why he supports the extension of the contracts.

Trustee Ismail questioned the wording of the contracts.

E. Approval of Abatement Amendment

It was moved by: Trustee **Supported by:** Trustee Brumbaugh

THAT the Board approve the Approval of Abatement Amendment as presented

Ayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Ismail, Lee, Papas and Brumbaugh

Nayes: none
Absent: none
Late Arrival: none

Motion carried 7-0 vote

F. Approval of the 2021-2022 G.A.A.A. #2

It was moved by: Trustee Lee **Supported by:** Trustee Weertz

THAT the Board approve the 2021-2022 G.A.A.A. #2 as presented

Ayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Ismail, Lee, Papas and Brumbaugh
Nayes: none
Absent: none
Late Arrival: none

Motion carried 7-0 vote

G. Approval of the 7th-12th Grade World Language Resources

It was moved by: Trustee Weertz **Supported by:** Trustee

THAT the Board approve the 7th-12th Grade World Language Resources as presented

Ayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Ismail, Lee, Papas and Brumbaugh
Nayes: none
Absent: none
Late Arrival: none

Motion carried 7-0 vote

H. Approval of the Revised Guidelines for Public Comment

It was moved by: Trustee Lee **Supported by:** Trustee Ismail

THAT the Board approve the Revised Guidelines for Public Comments presented

Ayes: Trustees Lee
Nayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Papas, Ismail, Worden, Brumbaugh
Absent: none
Late Arrival: none

Motion denied 6-1 vote

I. Approval of the Resolution to set aside Poupard and Trombly Funds

It was moved by: Trustee Ismail **Supported by:** Trustee Papas

THAT the Board approve the Resolution to set aside Poupard and Trombly Funds as presented

Ayes: Trustees Ismail and Papas

Nayes: Trustees Herd, Weertz, Worden, Ismail, Lee, Papas and Brumbaugh

Absent: none

Late Arrival: none

Motion failed by a 2-5 vote

VI. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR May 9, 2022 - 10:16 pm

A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2022

VII. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION - 10:17 pm

A. Monthly Financials/Check Register/Health Care Report

Matheson explained the details of the Monthly Financial, Check Register and Health Care reports.

B. Board Requests

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD - 10:18 pm

A. BOE Facility Committee Meeting, Thursday, May 5, 2022, 6:00 pm, Morningside Board Room

B. BOE Work Session, Monday, May 9, 2022, 7:00 pm, Brownell Multipurpose Room

C. BOE Closed Session, Monday, May 23, 2022, 6:00 pm, Brownell Library

D. BOE Regular Session, Monday, May 23, 2022, 7:00 pm, Brownell Multipurpose Room

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS - 10:19 pm

Stacey DeRubis, GPW, spoke about why she gets up and speaks at meetings.

Terrence Collins, GPP, discussed several agenda items.

Mary Rouleau, GPP, discussed a petition going around the district.

Stephanie Watkins, GPF, talked about a letter sent to the GP News.

Michelle White, GPP, talked about a meeting she attended at GP South and the Listening Session.

Tom Stein, GPP, spoke about declining enrollment.

Blagica Bottigliero, GPW, spoke about a lesson that took place at GP South.

X. OTHER COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT -10:40 pm

Trustee Lee spoke about our winter athletes and how proud he is of them. He also thanked Mary Anne Brush for her presentations on autism and Walk, Ride and Roll to School. He closed with thanking

Trustee Weertz spoke about how our district is still highly rated in so many levels. She talked about the *amazing performance of Into the Woods*, by South Performers.

Trustee Worden echoed the same thought that our schools are fantastic and how she takes extreme issue with the negativity about our district and how this is just not true. She talked about the AP classes and the National

Merit Scholars.

Trustee Papas wanted to reiterate that everyone on the board is here because they believe in our schools. She talked about how our schools are the anchors for our neighborhoods. She brought up how it's the job of a board member to bring up issues that they question and disagree with.

Trustee Brumbaugh talked about how valuable these meetings are and how one subject ends up having so many layers that are very important to discuss. He closed with saying how much he appreciates all of the work from the administration side that goes into putting these meetings together.

Superintendent Dean asked Matheson to discuss the debt service fund and the boiler at Maire. Dean went on to discuss that we need to focus on the positive things that are taking place as well as the things we need to improve.

President Herd talked about the accolades of our students both during their education in our district and after graduation. He expanded on all of the exciting things taking place in our district.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

President Herd adjourned the meeting at 11:01 p.m.

Lisa Papas, Secretary

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