



Grosse Pointe Board of Education Enclosure: V.A.
Work Session Minutes
Brownell Multipurpose Room
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236
June 13, 2022

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

President Herd 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: Herd, Weertz, Worden, Lee, Ismail, Papas and Brumbaugh

Absent: none

Late Arrival: none

Also present: Superintendent Dr. M. Jon Dean, Deputy Superintendents Dr. Roy Bishop and Mrs. Amanada Matheson

II. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA FOR JUNE 13, 2022 - 7:02 pm

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

THAT the Board approve the Work Agenda for June 13, 2022, as presented.

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

Nays: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7 - 0 vote

President Herd discussed multiple articles from Pointes of Pride which focused on our graduates.

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - 7:09 pm

A. American Heart Association - Renee Kendall

Superintendent Dean introduced Renee Kendall, American Heart Association, who spoke about the partnership GPPSS has had with the American Heart Association for over 25 years. She shared the details of how seven of our elementary schools, Maire, Kerby, Monteith, Ferry, Mason, Richard and Defer raised \$81,734 for this cause.

B. Good News Report - Mary Anne Brush

Mary Anne Brush spoke about the two graduations that took place at both Grosse Pointe North and South High Schools. She also gave an overview of all of the other events taking place throughout the district.

Superintendent Dean gave an overview of the achievements and accomplishments of our graduating students.

IV. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR DISTINGUISHED VOLUNTEER AWARDS- 7:20 pm

A. Approval of Resolution for Distinguished Volunteer Awards

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

THAT the Board approve the Resolution for Distinguished Volunteer Awards for June 13, 2022, as presented.

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

Nays: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7 - 0 vote

President Herd announced the award winners:

Melissa Aslam
Kathryn Beckerman
Sherry Betcher
Tony Cimmarrusti
Robert Cramer
Danielle Doolittle
Janice Hallman
Shelayne Miller
Lora Tod
Kate Walczy
Kelly Warnick

B. 10 Minute Reception

V. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION - 7:59 pm

A. 2022-2023 Proposed Budget and Property Tax Rates Presentation

Deputy Superintendent Matheson gave a detailed presentation of the 2022-2023 Proposed Budget and Property Tax Rates.

B. Food Service Management Company (FSMC) Contract

Matheson discussed the detailed process of sending out the RFP to the multiple food service companies and the criteria that was used in the bidding process.

VI. 2022-23 BUDGET HEARING - 9:03 pm

A. Public Comment on Proposed 2022-23 Budget

No comments

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JUNE 13, 2022 - 9:03 pm

No comments

VIII. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR MAY 23, 2022 - 9:04 pm

A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2022

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

THAT the Board approve the Regular Meeting minutes for May 23, 2022, as presented.

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

Nays: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7 - 0 vote

B. Approval of Marching Band Uniform Purchase

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

THAT the Board approve the Marching Band Uniform Purchase, as presented.

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

Nays: none

Absent: none

Motion carried 7 - 0 vote

Tom Torrento discussed the fund raising efforts that took place with the Marching Band, Booster Organization and GPFPE over the past several years to reach their \$28,000 goal.

IX. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JUNE 27, 2022 - 9:10 pm

A. Approval of Work Session Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2022

B. Approval of Human Resources Report for June 27, 2022

C. Approval of 2022-2023 Original Budget

D. Approval of the Service Management Company (FSMC) Contract

E. Approval of 2022-2023 Line of Credit Resolution

Matheson explained that this is an annual Line of Credit that we seek approval from the board every year.

F. Approval of Maire Outdoor Shade

Matheson explained that this will be funded by the Maire PTO, through fundraising efforts.

G. Approval of GPPSS New Bylaws and Policies and Administrative Guideline Manual

Dean explained how the new Board Policy Manual was created as it had not been updated in over 20 years. He went on to describe the different aspects of what was added, changed and updated.

H. Approval of Resolution in Support of Gun Safety and Safe Gun Storage

Dean explained the background and details that brought about the creation of this resolution.

X. FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD - 9:32 pm

A. BOE Facilities Committee Meeting, Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 6:00 pm, Morningside Board Room

B. BOE Regular Session, Monday, June 27, 2022, 7:00 pm, GP North PAC

C. BOE Regular Session, Monday, July 25, 2022, 7:00 pm, Parcels Auditorium

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS - 9:33 pm

Lawrence DeLuca, GP, talked about gun violence and protecting our schools.

Elisa Wagner, GPW, talked about books that are located in our district school libraries.

Stacey DeRubeis, GPW, discussed racist issues in the district.

Maria Lograsso, GPS, talked about a staff comparison chart that she created.

Carol Whitmore, GP, talked about books in our school libraries.

Mary Anne Barnett, GPP, discussed educating the public on racism.

Frank Joyce, GPP, talked about division in the community.

XII. OTHER COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT - 10:04 pm

Trustee Lee talked about in spite of all of the negative comments from the audience, he wanted to bring up what a positive and supportive community we have.

Trustee Weertz agreed with Lee and all that he said. She expounded on the different activities taking place in this community. She went on to talk about the amazing graduation that South put on, along with the wonderful speech that Mr. Hamka gave.

Trustee Worden gave a shout out to all of the volunteers. She expounded on how much effort comes forth from all of the volunteers in our district. She also talked about both graduations at North and South and how wonderful they both were. She complimented Matheson on her very thorough reports. She went on to say how proud she is of our school board.

Trustee Papas echoed the sentiments about the volunteers in this district, and thanked anyone who volunteers for our schools. She discussed the teachers having a two year contract and that it needs to be changed to three years. She is determined to change this to match other districts. She closed by discussing the incident of racism.

Trustee Brumbaugh thanked Herd and Dean for what they had to say during the public comment. He mentioned that he did not feel that the comments on books in our library were appropriate for the podium. He echoed the comments of the other trustees regarding the graduations and all of our volunteers in the community.

Deputy Superintendent Bishop spoke about how we still have work to do to make sure that our students come first.

Dean talked about what a great year we had and how proud he is of everything that was accomplished in our district. He closed by asking everyone to have a great and safe summer.

Trustee Herd echoed the sentiment on what a giving community we have and the volunteers that we have in this community. He mentioned that it's all because of the positive culture that we have. He then went on to question some of the speakers that got up at this meeting. He agreed with Brumbaugh that quite a bit goes on behind the scenes with our administration that nobody is aware of. He applauded how well our students conduct themselves and congratulated the Administration on all that they have done. Herd also brought up that the board needs to converse with each other and come up with realistic proposals and bring these ideas to the meetings. He concluded by saying that we need to speak out against injustice for anyone who is harmed regardless of color.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

President Herd adjourned the meeting at 10:35 p.m.

Lisa Papas, Secretary

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