



**Grosse Pointe Board of Education Enclosure: V. A.
Work Session Minutes
Brownell Multipurpose Room
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236
December 13, 2021**

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

President Herd called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

President Herd asked that anyone in the audience without a mask, to please put one on, as we are in the midst of a pandemic. There is a law in Wayne County that states if you are inside a school building, you must wear a mask. He appreciates all that follow this law.

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

Absent: Trustee Papas

Late Arrival: none

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

II. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD WORK SESSION FOR DECEMBER 13, 2021 It as

moved by: Trustee Weertz **Supported by:** Trustee Worden **THAT the Board approve the**

Work Session agenda for December 13, 2021 as presented

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

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Papas

Late Arrival: none

Motion carried 6 - 0 vote

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - 7:05 pm

A. Recognition, Gina Francis for her Lifesaving Skills

Dr. Dean introduced Rodger Hunwick, Principal of Brownell Middle School, who awarded teacher Gina Francis a certificate for her lifesaving skills of a student who was choking recently.

B. Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education - Gifts

Kathy Fisk, a Grant Co-Chair for Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education, provided information to the Board on the grants that the Foundation is gifting with a total gift of \$95,523.00 this cycle.

Calm Collect for Preschoolers with Special Needs (Preschool) Barnes (\$596)
 Literacy Footprints (K-5th grades) All elementary buildings and 5th Grades (\$67,725)
 iPads to Support Learning for K-1 Students (K-1st grades) Maire (\$6,600)
 Orff Instruments for Maire Bears (K-4th grades) Maire (\$8,157)
 Book and Baggies (Kindergarten) Monteith (\$2,777)
 Literature Circles in the Eighth Grade (8th grade) Parcels (\$1,000)
 Harlem String Quartet Residency (6-12th grades) Pierce, Brownell and South (\$1,500)
 Salmon In the Classroom (9-12th grades) North (\$2,398)
 Macro Camera Lenses (9-12th grades) South (\$2,770)
 Upgrade to the Music Technology/Piano Lab (9-12th grades) South (\$2,000)

She also noted that the Foundation is presenting the SEED (Social Emotional Encouragement and Development) Grants. Which are:

“BeaTween” the Books Therapy Dog Program (5th-8th) Pierce (\$800)
 Chill Room iPad for Check-in/out (9th-12th) South (\$794)
 Wellness Lunch Time (9th-12th) South (\$327)
 Therapeutic Fidget and Sensory Items (9th-12th) North (\$300)
 Inclusivity Training for Teachers (5th-8th) Brownell (\$350).
 University of Michigan Peer to Peer Program (9th-12th) North (\$2,500)
 Sensory Path to Support PBIS (K-4th) Defer (\$5,400)
 Yoga Club for Teachers and Students (5th-8th) Brownell (\$300)

Total SEED Grants \$10,771

Fall Grants Grand Total \$106,294

Trustee Ismail motioned to approve the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Education grants with a **second from Trustee Weertz.**

THAT the Board approve the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Education gifts as presented

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

Nayes: none

Absent: Trustee Papas

Motion carried 6 - 0 vote

C. GPEA Updates

CoPresidents from GPEA, Jackie Shelson and Taryn Loughlin, thanked the Board for the opportunity to speak at this and at future meetings of the Board of Education. They look forward to sharing updates with the Board and community.

D. Good News Report

Mary Anne Brush presented the good news of the staff and students throughout the school system and noted that at the next board meeting, the Fall Sports teams will be recognized from Grosse Pointe North and South.

IV. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION 7:42 pm

A. Security Update

Dr. Dean shared a presentation and a brief update of the safety practices in place for Grosse Pointe schools. He shared where we have been, where we are going and that keeping students and staff safe is our first priority.

B. 2022-2024 Strategic Plan

Dr Dean and Mr. John Silveri, Michigan Leadership Institute, advised the Board that the work on the 2022-2024 Strategic Plan included those of students, staff, teachers, parents, special education, building administrators, central office, community members, municipal leaders and members of the Board of Education. The committee met to create our vision and mission for the future, establish focus areas and recommend goals within each. The three focus areas were curriculum, instruction and student learning.

C. 6th Grade Electives

Mrs. Bur introduced Mr. Hunwick who spoke to the Board regarding the changes to the 6th Grade Electives. The results of their discussions, with unanimous support from EPLC, is to move away from the quarter rotation when scheduling the grade required electives. The proposal is that 6th grade required electives, (Art, Communications, Intro Innovation and Design and Life Skills) be scheduled every other day for a semester beginning in the 2022-2023 school year.

D. G. A. A. A. #1

Mrs. Matheson reviewed the memorandum that explains in detail the changes recommended to each fund that was proposed on June 28, 2021, when the Board adopted the original budget for 2021-22 fiscal year. In the report, there are illustrations of the original budget, proposed change, proposed amended budget and percent for each line item that represents revenue or expenditures.

E. Middle School Program of Studies

Mrs. Bur explained that the Middle School Program of Studies has been prepared to help middle school students and parents plan the student's program according to his or her particular educational needs and interests.

F. High School Program of Studies

Mrs. Bur noted that the Superintendent has directed that the high schools work cooperatively to maintain a schedule of comprehensive course offerings at both High Schools. Grosse Pointe School System is dedicated to providing educational programs that maximize students' opportunities for academic growth.

G. Board Requests

No requests

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR DECEMBER 13, 2021, 9:07 pm No

comments

VI. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR DECEMBER 13, 2021 - 9:09 pm

A. Approval of Special and Regular Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2021

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

THAT the Board approve the Special and Regular Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2021 as presented.

Ayes: Trustee Brumbaugh, Herd, Lee, Ismail, Weertz and Worden

Nays: none

Absent: Trustee Papas

Motion carried 6 - 0 vote

B. Approval of Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education Gifts

Approved by the Board during the Superintendent's report

VII. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR DECEMBER 20, 2021 9:10 pm

A. Approval of Work Session Minutes of December 13, 2021

B. Approval of Human Resources Report for December 20, 2021

C. Approval of 6th Grade Electives Schedule

Discussed earlier during Information and Discussion

D. Approval of 2022-2024 Strategic Plan

Discussed earlier during Information and Discussion

E Approval of G.A.A.A. #1

Discussed earlier during Information and Discussion

F. Approval of Resolution for Sale Agreement to GPPL

Mrs. Matheson spoke about a plan by the Director of Grosse Pointe Public Library (GPPL) regarding renovations to the Central Library branch, that included a building addition and incorporated a pickup/drop off service. The Library Director requested a 15X50 portion of the GPPSS property located at South High School.

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The concept was presented to our Facilities Committee in March of 2021 and received support for discussion

with the Library Director.

After several meetings, GPPSS has tentatively agreed to sell the property to GPPL in exchange for:

- \$1.00
- A permanent easement for GPPSS to have access to the “temporary” parking lot that wraps around the South softball field.
- A temporary easement for GPPSS to have construction vehicles access our ball fields during the 2022 ball field renovation project.
 - o We would restore the chain link fence that we will likely need to take down for the trucks to have access to the property.
 - o The Library will restore the driveway/parking lot area if any repairs are needed following construction.
- An agreement that we will be allowed an easement for any future GPPSS project requiring access to our property via GPPL driveway/parking lot with notice being provided in advance.

G. Approval of Barnes ECC 2022 Project Costs

Mrs. Matheson and Robert Stempien presented information to the Board for the Barnes ECC 2022 Project.

GPPSS held a public bid opening for proposals received on the Barnes ECC 2022 projects. The request included all trades including demolition, plumbing, HVAC and controls, electrical, general trades glass and glazing, millwork, flooring, paint, ceramic tile, masonry and structural steel along with construction management fees are included. \$2,032,544 would be awarded to Turner while the District would hold direct contracts in the amount of \$140,121 for total hard costs of \$2,172,665. Construction management fees total \$453,660. \$173,813 is recommended for the owner's contingency. The total not to exceed cost for Barnes ECC is \$2,800,138.

H. Approval of Kerby ES 2022 Project Costs

Mrs. Matheson and Robert Stempien presented information to the Board for the Kerby ES 2022 Project.

GPPSS held a public bid opening for proposals on Kerby ES 2022 projects. The request is to approve the 2022 project costs for Kerby ES. All trades including demolition, sitework, plumbing, HVAC and controls, electrical, general trades, glass and glazing, millwork, flooring, paint and masonry along with construction management fees are included. \$2,287,249 would be awarded to Turner while the District would hold direct contracts in the amount of \$209,194 for total hard costs of \$2,496,443. Construction management fees total \$470,721. \$199,715 is recommended for the owner's contingency. The total not to exceed cost for Kerby ES is \$3,166,879.

I. Approval of Mason ES 2022 Project Costs

Mrs. Matheson and Robert Stempien presented information to the Board for the Mason ES 2022 Project.

GPPSS held a public bid opening for proposals on Mason ES projects. This request is to approve the 2022 project costs for Mason ES. All trades including demolition, sitework, HVAC and controls, electrical, general

trades, glass and glazing, millwork, flooring, paint, masonry and steel along with construction management fees are included. \$2,662,496 would be awarded to Turner while the District would hold direct contracts in the

amount of \$1,335,980 for total hard costs of \$3,998,476. Construction management fees total \$586,950. \$319,878 is recommended for owner's contingency. The total not to exceed cost for Mason ES is \$4,905,304.

J. Approval of Pierce MS 2022 Project Costs

Mrs. Matheson and Robert Stempien presented information to the Board for the Peirce MS 2022 Project.

GPPSS held a public bid opening for proposals on Pierce MS projects. The request is to approve the 2022 project costs for Pierce MS. All trades including demolition, plumbing, HVAC & controls, electrical, general trades, glass & glazing, millwork, flooring, paint, ceramic tile, masonry, steel and food service equipment along with construction management fees are included. \$3,873,905 would be awarded to Turner while the District would hold direct contracts in the amount of \$1,036,728 for total hard costs of \$4,910,633. Construction management fees total \$916,377. \$392,851 is recommended for the owner's contingency. The total not to exceed cost for Pierce MS is \$6,219,861.

K. Approval of Wayne RESA Parent Advisory Committee Representative for Special Education

Dr. Dean explained that Wayne County has a Special Education Parent Advisory Committee and Ms. Hayes has identified a representative. By rules, the Board of Education has to approve the representative, who is a community volunteer.

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD

A. Regular Meeting of the Board, Monday, December 20, 2021, 6:00 pm, Brownell Multipurpose Room **B.** BOE Policy Committee Mtg, Thursday, ~~January 6~~ January 13, 2022, 4:00 pm, Morningside Board Room **C.** BOE Facilities Committee Mtg, Thursday, January 6, 2022, 6:00 pm, Morningside Board Room **D.** BOE Work Session of the Board, Monday, January 10, 2022, 7:00 pm, Brownell Multipurpose Room

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS - 9:58 pm

Joyce Wagner, GPF
Terry Collins, GPP
Blagica Bottiglierio, GPW
Charlie Nordstrom, GPP
Christine Wujek, GPF

X. OTHER COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT - 10:11 pm

Trustee Brumbaugh, noted that although the HS Program of Studies is routine, it is exciting to see the educational opportunities for our students. He mentioned that he had the opportunity recently to see the South Choir performance and it was phenomenal.

Trustee Ismail, no comment

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Trustee Weertz, thanked the strategic planning committee for all the hard work that was put into it. She gave a shout out to the Sounds of the Season, GP South's Choir performance and she thanked the GP Foundation for their grants.

Trustee Worden, also thanked the GP Foundation for their amazing grants. We are truly lucky to have them raise this kind of money for the District. She noted how amazing it is to have the great arts program here in Grosse Pointe. Trustee Worden also acknowledged the difficult week for all of the School Districts in Metro Detroit. However, it was great to see all of the communications from the Superintendent's Office to keep everyone up-to-date.

Trustee Lee, mentioned that this has been one of the best board meetings in a long time. Highlights this evening for him were: Middle and High School Program of Studies, the information on school safety, the Strategic Planning and all their hard work, Grosse Pointe Foundation for their grants and the recognition of Brownell Teacher, Gina Francis, for saving the life of a student who was choking.

Trustee Papas, absent

Deputy Superintendent Matheson, no comment

Deputy Superintendent Dr. Bishop, no comment

Superintendent Dr. Dean, noted that we talk alot about what makes Grosse Pointe special? We covered just about everything today. Such as, a teacher saving a life, our communities generosity, coming together for a strategic plan and good stewards of our dollars and cents. We had good conversations this evening. He noted his appreciation for the Board Members and all the Administrators. We have a lot to celebrate!

President Herd, echoed Dr. Dean's sentiments. He feels blessed to be in this community. To have a school system with our resources, that also has the heart for children, and the ability to agree, makes this District special.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

President Herd adjourned the meeting at 10;23 p.m..

Christopher Lee, Secretary