



Grosse Pointe Board of Education
Regular Meeting - April 27, 2026
MINUTES
Brownell Middle School - MPR
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Meeting Minutes

Encl: 5.1.

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

President Derringer called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Board members present: Trustees: Derringer, Klepp, Worden, Jeup, Hull

Absent: Trustees: Cotton, St. John

Late Arrival: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

Also Present: Deputy Superintendent Dr. Roy Bishop, CFO Andrea Agrusa, Dr. Sara Delgado, Mr. Moussa Hamka, Officer LeBeau

2. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA FOR APRIL 27, 2026

It was Moved by: Trustee Hull

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Agenda for April 27, 2026, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Derringer, Klepp, Worden, Jeup, Hull

Nays: None

Motion carried 5-0 vote

3. SUPERINTENDENT / STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT REPORTS

A. Tuition-Based Preschool - Week of the Young Child

Sara Meier, Jill Klooster and Danielle Safranski presented.

B. South Student Representative - Betsy Ropke

C. GPEA Teachers of the Year

Taryn Loughlin and Jackie Shelson presented.

D. Parent Advisory - GPPAC

Dima Hauser and Andrea Hauser presented.

E. Wayne County Community College

Roy Edmonds and Dennis Carrick presented.

F. Financial Update - CFO Agrusa

G. Bond Update

- Parcels Common Area Committee
- Selling Series II bonds
- Bond Oversight Committee

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

Richard Schroeder, GPP, discussed the plan for Trombly.

Terence Collins, GPP, discussed his thoughts on the Strategic Plan.

Kevin Nugent, PFAE, talked about the Strategic Plan and facility decisions.

Mary O'Donnell, GPP, discussed Trombly.

5. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR APRIL 27, 2026

5.1. Approval of Regular Session Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2026

It was Moved by: Trustee Worden

Supported by: Trustee Hull

THAT the Board approve the Regular Session Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2026, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Derringer, Klepp, Jeup, Worden, Hull

Nays: None

Motion carried 5-0 vote

5.2. Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes For April 6, 2026

It was Moved by: Trustee Worden

Supported by: Trustee Hull

THAT the Board approve the Closed Session Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2026, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Derringer, Klepp, Jeup, Worden, Hull

Nays: None

Motion carried 5-0 vote

5.3. Approval of Strategic Plan

It was Moved by: Trustee Klepp

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Strategic Plan, as presented.

Roll Call:	Trustee Derringer	Yes
	Trustee Worden	Yes
	Trustee Hull	Yes
	Trustee Klepp	Yes
	Trustee Jeup	No

Motion carried 4-1 vote

6. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR May 4, 2026

- 6.1.** Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for April 27, 2026
- 6.2.** Approval of GPFPE Spring Grants
- 6.3.** Approval of GP South Railing Project
- 6.4.** Approval of District Truck Purchases
- 6.5.** Approval of Fiber Maintenance Conditional Agreement
- 6.6.** Approval of Fiber-Structured Cabling Conditional Agreement
- 6.7.** Approval of Network Electronics Conditional Agreement
- 6.8.** Approval of Bond Program Architectural Services for the Trombly Building

Trustee Derringer made a motion to amend the clause in this resolution to read:

Be it further resolved that the second floor of the Trombly building shall be designated for programming and configuration proposed by the administration and brought to the board for approval in line with the project timeline.

It was Moved by: Trustee Derringer

Supported by: Trustee Klepp

THAT the Board approve to amend the resolution, as presented.

Roll Call:	Trustee Derringer	Yes
	Trustee Worden	No
	Trustee Hull	Yes
	Trustee Klepp	Yes
	Trustee Jeup	No

Motion does not pass because it required 4 votes to pass. The resolution remains unamended.

7. FUTURE MEETINGS

- 7.1.** BOE Regular Meeting, Monday, May 4, 2026, 7:00 p.m. Brownell MPR
- 7.2.** Facilities Committee Meetings, North Library
 - Tuesday, May 12 (6:30 p.m.)
 - Tuesday, May 26 (6:30 p.m.)
 - Wednesday, June 10 (5:30 p.m.)

- Tuesday, June 23 (6:30 p.m.)

7.3. Policy Committee Meetings, Central Office Board Room

- Tuesday, May 26 (5:30 p.m.)
- Tuesday, June 23 (5:30 p.m.)

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

Julie Rhoades, GPC, discussed the proposed lottery system for the Elementary Magnet system.

Anne Augustus, GPF, talked about inequities in the Magnet program placement.

Janine Eckert, GPP talked about Trombly.

Jada Strabbing, Detroit, talked about how there is no Magnet program in the Farms.

Terence Collins, GPP, discussed Trombly, the Strategic plan and PBIS.

Michele Hodges, GPP, discussed the future of Trombly.

Sarah Cottrell, GPF, discussed the Magnet program.

Stephen Gmeiner, GPF, talked about the community and the board.

Kevin Nugent, PFAE, discussed Trombly and the board majority.

Richard Schroeder, GPP, talked about the data on Trombly.

9. MONTHLY FINANCIALS/CHECK REGISTER/HEALTH CARE REPORT-MARCH

Several questions were raised by multiple board members

10. BOARD MEMBER / SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

- **Trustee Jeup** discussed walkability with members of the Board of Education, emphasizing the importance of open dialogue. She expressed her desire to move forward with Trombly and architectural services. She also congratulated the outstanding teachers who received awards.
- **Trustee Klepp** spoke about the wonderful show that took place over the weekend.
- **Trustee Worden** recognized the district's exceptional teachers, noting that the evening's awards were a testament to their dedication and impact. She also acknowledged that it was Decision Day and highlighted the remarkable accomplishments of students. She concluded with comments regarding Trombly.
- **Deputy Superintendent Bishop** provided administrative updates.
- **SRO LeBeau** discussed recent activities, including Take Your Child to Work Day and how successful the event was. He also shared remarks about the upcoming senior prom.
- **Dr. Sara Delgado** thanked the teachers for their continued dedication and contributions to the district.
- **Mr. Hamka** noted that the school year is approaching its end and highlighted the many exciting events and accomplishments that take place during this season. He encouraged the community to attend and support upcoming activities.
- **Trustee Hull** shared remarks regarding district matters and ongoing initiatives.
- **Superintendent Tuttle** took issue with a comment that had been made toward her by President Derringer.
- **President Derringer** apologized for his comment directed at Superintendent Tuttle. He concluded by emphasizing the importance of focusing on what unites the district and placing those shared values at the forefront of board business. He also thanked the administration team and teachers for their continued hard work and dedication.

11. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved by: Trustee Derringer

Supported by: Trustee Hull

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Derringer, Klepp, Jeup, Worden, Hull

Nays: None

Motion carried 5-0 vote

President Derringer moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:22 pm.

Valarie St. John, Secretary