

GROVE CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
GROVE CITY, PENNSYLVANIA

Regular Voting Meeting

April 13, 2026

A moment of silence was observed, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, prior to the meeting being called to order by the President, Mr. Ryan Thomas, at 7:01 p.m. in the board room. Board members and the public participated either in person or remotely.

The following members were present:

Mr. Ryan Thomas	Mrs. Karen Hazy Bishop
Mr. Raymond Abplanalp	Mr. August Hurst (Remotely)
Mr. Mitchell Augustine	Dr. Constance Nichols
Dr. Erik Bardy	Mrs. Sandra Phipps

Mr. Lindon Fowler was absent.

Others present were: Atty. Evankovich, Dr. Weaver, Dr. Watkins, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Winger, Mr. Breitenbach (remotely), one guest in person and three guests remotely.

There was no Executive Session scheduled.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

There were no Board recognitions.

BOARD
RECOGNITIONS

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC
COMMENTS

A motion was made by Mrs. Hazy Bishop and seconded by Mr. Augustine to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2026 Voting Meeting and the April 8, 2026 Work Session Meeting.

VOTING MEETING/
WORK SESSION
MEETING
MINUTES
APPROVED

The motion carried; 8 ayes, 0 nays, with voting as follows:

Mr. Thomas	aye	Mrs. Hazy Bishop	aye
Mr. Abplanalp	aye	Mr. Hurst	aye
Mr. Augustine	aye	Dr. Nichols	aye
Dr. Bardy	aye	Mrs. Phipps	aye

President's Report:

- There was nothing to report.

PRESIDENT'S
REPORT

Superintendent's Report:

- Dr. Weaver presented the GCASD Budget Planning Reductions for 2026-2027.

SUPER-
INTENDENT'S
REPORT

Solicitor's Report:

- There was nothing to report.

SOLICITOR'S
REPORT

MCCC and MIU4 Report:

- There was nothing to report.

MCCC & MIU4
REPORT

Dr. Nichols made a motion to approve all action items set forth in the April 13, 2026 agenda. Mr. Augustine seconded the motion.

The Board agreed to remove item #2 under Policy and Legislative Affairs, since no Board members volunteered for this position.

Mr. Hurst noted the Board's appreciation for the service of all retirees/resignations.

The motion carried; 8 ayes, 0 nays, with voting as follows:

Mr. Thomas	aye	Mrs. Hazy Bishop	aye
Mr. Abplanalp	aye	Mr. Hurst	aye
Mr. Augustine	aye	Dr. Nichols	aye
Dr. Bardy	aye	Mrs. Phipps	aye

It is recommended that the Board approve the Financial Statement for March 2026.

FINANCIAL
STATEMENT
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the Bills Payable for April 2026.

LIST OF BILLS
PAYABLE
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the Budget Transfers for April 2026.

BUDGET
TRANSFERS
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the Budget Transfers for April 2026 from the budgetary reserve.

BUDGET
TRANSFERS FROM
BUDGETARY
RESERVE
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the 2026-27 Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV Intergovernmental Agreement.

2026-27
MIU IV
INTERGOVERN-
MENTAL
AGREEMENT
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve awarding the Food Service bid for a middle school Combi oven to TriMark at a total cost of \$27,874.00.

COMBI OVEN BID
AWARDED TO
TRIMARK

It is recommended that the Board approve awarding the District copier lease to Xerox Business Solutions for a term of 48 months.

DISTRICT COPIER
LEASE AWARDED
TO XEROX
BUSINESS
SOLUTIONS

It is recommended that the Board approve awarding the District trash removal services to Tri-County Industries for a term of 5 years.

TRASH REMOVAL
SERVICES
AWARDED TO
TRI-COUNTY
INDUSTRIES

It is recommended that the Board approve additional Krise Transportation Inc. Drivers – subject to the receipt and approval of clearances and District required paperwork:

- Daniel Greaves
- Heather Bobro

ADDITIONAL
KRIS TRAN. INC.
DRIVERS
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve Wesley Family Services Lease Agreement – contingent upon review and approval of the district solicitor.

WESLEY FAMILY
SERVICES LEASE
AGREEMENT
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve an Athletic Training Contract with Lifeline Physical Therapy – contingent upon review and approval of the district solicitor.

ATHLETIC
TRAINING
CONTRACT WITH
LIFELINE PHYS.
THERAPY
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the following student travel requests:

- Three students and one chaperone to travel to the National History Day Contest at the University of Scranton on April 25-26, 2026 at a district cost not to exceed \$1,265
- One student and one chaperone to travel to the PMEA Region Band Festival at Upper St. Clair High School on March 19-21, 2026 at a district cost not to exceed \$900
- Three students and one chaperone to travel to the State KNEX competition at the Harrisburg Farm Complex on May 7-8, 2026 at a district cost not to exceed \$780
- Two students and one chaperone to travel to the PMEA State Conference and State Ensembles at Kalahari Resort in Poconos, PA on April 22-25, 2026 at a district cost not to exceed \$1,268

STUDENT TRAVEL
REQUESTS
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the following staff conference requests:

- Rebecca Limberg – Safety Care Training at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV – April 23-24, 2026 at a district cost of \$185
- Joy Kocher – Safety Care Recertification Training at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV – November 18, 2025 at a district cost of \$100
- Noelle Torok and Christine Mangan – Safety Care Recertification Training at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV – December 11, 2025 at a district cost of \$100 each
- Jeremy Januszewicz, Alexandra Magee and Dr. Brenden Smith – Safety Care Recertification Training at Midwestern Intermediate Unit IV – January 22, 2026 at a district cost of \$100 each
- Michelle Dosch – Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission Student Assistant Program (SAP) Virtual Training on February 10-11, 2026 at a district cost of \$150

STAFF
CONFERENCE
REQUESTS
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the following additional substitutes: subject to the receipt and approval of clearances and District required paperwork.

- Paige Moore – pre-graduate 20 days
- Shane Simpson – pre-graduate 20 days
- Arianna Ewing – pre-graduate 20 days
- Jordan Simmons – pre-graduate 20 days
- Joe Kosick – emergency substitute – emergency permit
- Katelyn Book - pre-graduate 20 days
- Colton Stelzler – pre-graduate 20 days
- Ava Selfridge -pre-graduate 20 days
- Camden Thomas - pre-graduate 20 days

ADDITIONAL
SUBSTITUTES
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve unpaid FMLA leave for employee #1878 for March 24 – April 7, 2026.

UNPAID FMLA
LEAVE FOR
EMPLOYEE #1878
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve sabbatical leave for Steve Wilson for the 2026-27 school year.

2026-27
SABBATICAL
LEAVE APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve 2026 Summer Help at an hourly rate of \$12.00 per hour – subject to the receipt and approval of clearances and District required paperwork:

- Elsea Moeller – high school student for technology

2026
SUMMMER HELP
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve 2026 Success by Six teachers – subject to the receipt and approval of clearances and District required paperwork:

- Megan Penman
- William Ford

2026
SUCCESS BY SIX
TEACHERS
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board accept the following resignations/retirement, as well as any necessary documentation as to terms and conditions to finalize the employees' separation from the District employment.

- James Hinds – Pupil Services part-time aide – resignation effective March 24, 2026
- Kayla Ward – special education teacher – resignation effective August 1, 2026
- Deb Wagner – Educational Services special education teacher – retirement effective May 29, 2026
- Rebecca Wille – part-time cafeteria worker – resignation effective April 13, 2026
- Kayla Witzke – part-time cafeteria worker – resignation effective June 1, 2026

DISTRICT
RESIGNATIONS/
RETIREMENT
APPROVED

It is recommended that the Board approve the first reading of the following policies:

- 204 – Attendance (recommended updates from PSBA)
- 218.1 - Weapons (recommended updates from PSBA)
- 221 – Dress and Grooming (recommended updates from PSBA)
- 619 – District Audit (recommended updates from PSBA)

FIRST READING
POLICY 204
POLICY 218.1
POLICY 221
POLICY 619
APPROVED

The Board declined to nominate any member to the MIU IV Board as requested on the Voting meeting agenda.

NOMINATION TO
MIU IV BOARD
DECLINED

Dr. Nichols – Subject of Commentary

- Commented on the challenging topics and decisions required of the Board.

MOMENT FOR
MISSION

Mr. Thomas – Subject of Commentary

- Showed appreciation to the Administration for the time spent on the budget and to the Board for their respectful conversations.

Dr. Weaver – Subject of Commentary

- Commented that he will share his presentation of the Budget Planning Reduction with the Board.

Future scheduled business meetings:

- Educational Services and Personnel Committee Meetings – Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 8:15 am
- Work Session – Monday, May 4, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.
- Voting Meeting – Monday, May 11, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Harris
Board Secretary

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