Board of Education Regular Meeting (Tuesday, May 12, 2026)
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Members present
LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert

Meeting called to order at 6:39 PM

A. Opening Items

Procedural: 1. Call to Order

Procedural: 2. Roll Call - All present

Procedural: 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Action 2026-193: 4. Adoption of Meeting Agenda
- Kathy - Move C1 - Admin Personnel to after executive session, it is now "I."

Move that the Board of Education approve the agenda. Move C1 Admin Personnel to after executive session.

Motion by Ashley Zimmer, second by Kathleen Walsh.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert

B. Public Participation

Information: 1. Guidelines for Public Participation - NONE

C. Consent Agenda

Action 2026-194: 1. Approve Certificated Personnel Items
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following Certificated Personnel Items:

2. Approve Classified Personnel Items
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following Classified Personnel Items:

3. Approve GMHS Field Trip with U.S. Army
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the GMHS Field Trip with the U.S. Army

Motion by John Kershner, second by LaToya Dowdell-Burger.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert

D. Presentations

Presentation: 1. Color Run Presentation
- Casey Martin - Ms. Beebe wanted to be here but she is on vacation. It was a great event and the kids loved it. The Color run is an event run, jog, walk and you have different color stations where you get color powder thrown on you and your shirt becomes a tie-dye shirt or a cool design. We fundraised for this and the Board helped along with a donation from a local church. We began meeting in March to plan this event. This is a POSITIVE, unifying event and the kids really enjoyed it. It was held at the Rec center in Groveport on a 1 mile course. Transportation was a great help. All 3 middle schools participated in the event and all planned it together. Created a flyer for the parents and also sent emails. Thank you to everyone involved and especially Ms. Beebe and the Rec center. We used 500 pounds of powdered color. That is ALOT. Transportation, again thank you for helping with getting kids home. Over 350 students participated. NO behavioral issues. Hopefully we can continue to do it every year.
- Kathy - Thank you to all PTO's and parents in our community. Thank you to you Casey also.

E. Superintendent's Agenda

Action 2026-195: 1. Approve Job Description
- John - I want to make sure this is not TOO big of a job. Maybe just refine some of the wordings. Like Title IX - is it too much?
- Jamie - Yes, we can refine this but I need to be able to post this to get people, because this is hiring season and we need to hire.
- Kathy - Concerned the job might be too overwhelming.
- John - No, I think we need to save money and do this but we need to reference support staff.
- Ashley - Can we have a special meeting the night of graduation before it?
- Jamie - Can we do it here?

- Latoya- Nothing alarming for me. It is a C-suite job function. It does discuss oversight. Talks about mentoring and coordination and over federal programs. What would you change?
- Jamie - I will go thru and look at specific things being a doer and saying just oversight and not a doer on everything. Just more oversight and reviewing. Like Title IX - say one of the ones to do this and not the only one.
- Latoya - Can we just redline a couple things and pass it now so we can get it posted? Time is my concern. Make the line on Title IX say what we want. Did we bring these questions to Superintendent before today?
- Jamie - We need to post the description with the job. Change the Title IX complaint - "to one of the investigators"

The Superintendent recommends the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the attached job description with update on Title IX line.

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, second by Ashley Zimmer.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert

Action 2026-196: 2. The Board recommends the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education table the attached job description.

Motion by John Kershner, second by Kathleen Walsh.
Final Resolution: Motion Fails
No: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert

Action 2026-197: 3. The Superintendent recommends the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the attached job description. Update page 2 "one of the Title IX investigators" about the Title IX complaints line

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, second by John Kershner.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert

Action: 4. Approve Contract with Kegler, Brown, Hill + Ritter - No Vote - No first or second

F. Executive Session

Action 2026-198: 1. Motion to Enter at 7:36 pm Reconvene at 10:20 pm.
It is recommended that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education enter executive session to consider the investigation of charges or complaints against a district employee or official pursuant to ORC 121.22(G)(1) and to confer with the Board's attorney concerning disputes involving the public body that are subject to pending and imminent court action, if applicable, pursuant to ORC 121.22 (G)(3). The Board further acknowledges that no formal action or volte will be taken in executive session and that any subsequent Board action will occur in open session.

Motion by John Kershner, second by Kathleen Walsh.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert

G. Reconvene in Open Session

H. Action Items Resulting from Executive Session

I. Administrative Items

Action 2026-199: 1. Approve Administrative Personnel Items - Moved from C to I.1.
The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following Administrative Personnel Items:

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, second by Ashley Zimmer.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert
Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

J. Board member comments

Latoya - Shout out to Ms. Beebe and the Color Run volunteers. My scholarship program for $1,000 will get out soon to the HS.
Ashley - Please attend the Color Run as Board members, we need to be more present at events.
Jamie - I will get events out there so Board members can get to things.
Dionna - I wish I could have been there. It looked fantastic.
Kathleen Walsh apologized for leaving executive session early and stated that the captioning accommodation lacked speaker identification and proper punctuation, making participation difficult and causing severe headaches. Walsh also commented on the upcoming senior baseball game and graduation activities.

K. Adjournment

Action 2026-200: 1. Motion to Adjourn
Adjourn at 10:25 pm.

Motion by Kathleen Walsh, second by LaToya Dowdell-Burger.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Kathleen Walsh, Ashley Zimmer, Dionna Herbert