

**GROVE CITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
HELD IN BOARD ROOM AND VIRTUALLY  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2026  
7:20 P.M.**

**Members Present:** Mr. Thomas, Mr. Abplanalp, Mr. Augustine, Mr. Fowler, Mrs. Hazy Bishop, Dr. Nichols and Mrs. Phipps

**Members Absent:** Mr. Hurst and Dr. Bardy

**Non-Members Present:** Atty. Evankovich, Dr. Weaver, Dr. Watkins, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Dennis (remotely), approximately 2 guests remotely and no guests in person

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was an executive session held immediately preceding the Work Session regarding the superintendent and assistant superintendent evaluations. There was also an executive session held immediately following the Work Session for a high school student discipline issue.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Mr. Thomas asked for changes to the minutes from the August 10, 2026 Voting Meeting. There were none.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

There was none.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

1. Dr. Weaver thanked all staff and the bus contractor for a great start to the school year.
2. Dr. Weaver highlighted a magazine article featuring one of the high school girls volleyball team fundraisers.
3. Dr. Weaver gave an update on the Hudl software contract.
4. Dr. Weaver thanked Grove City College's Engineers with a Mission program for donating supplies and equipment to the new Middle School Robotics Club.

**FINANCE**

Mrs. Phipps discussed the following agenda items:

1. The financial statement for August 2026 and bills payable for September 2026 will be included with the Voting Meeting packet.
2. 2026-27 additional Krise Transportation drivers and monitors
3. Delinquent Real Estate Tax Collection Program
4. 2026-27 transportation contract with Mercer Area School District
5. 2026-27 Cray Youth and Family Services, Inc. Agreement

### **STUDENT AFFAIRS and ACTIVITIES**

1. Mr. Fowler discussed student travel requests.
2. Mr. Fowler led a conversation regarding male and female chaperones for school trips.

### **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

Dr. Nichols discussed the following items from the committee meeting held September 1, 2026:

1. Staff conference requests
2. Continued participation in the regional Education Leading to Employment and Career Training (ELECT) program consortium.
3. GCASD Education Foundation update

Dr. Weaver discussed the Profile of an Eagle.

### **PERSONNEL**

Mr. Thomas discussed the following items from the committee meeting held September 1, 2026:

1. Hirings, 2026-27 building substitute, additional 2026-27 supplementals, additional substitutes, additional 2026-27 fall coaches, 2026-27 district employees eligible to provide transportation support, and resignations.
2. Three unpaid FMLA leave requests
3. 2025-26 evaluations for the superintendent and assistant superintendent

### **FACILITIES and SCHOOL SAFETY**

Mr. Thomas discussed the following agenda items:

1. There were no change orders approved by the Superintendent
2. Roofing at Forker Field
3. MS Drive proposed repairs

### **POLICY and LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS**

Mrs. Hazy Bishop discussed the following agenda items:

1. Slate of PSBA Candidates for 2027 voting
2. Final reading of policy 101 – Mission Statement/Belief Statements
3. Annual review of Policy 249 – Bullying/Cyberbullying

### **MOMENT FOR MISSION**

Mr. Augustine – Subject of Commentary

- Fall sports teams are off to a great start.

Mrs. Hazy Bishop – Subject of Commentary

- Impressed by students supporting a fellow student who had a vehicle drive into her family's house over the weekend.

Dr. Nichols– Subject of Commentary

- Commented on discussions with a GCASD graduate and their knowledge of inclusion as a result of attending GCASD.

**FUTURE BUSINESS MEETING DATES**

A Voting Meeting will be held on Monday, September 14, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom at the Administrative Office. Board and community members may attend in person or virtually. Remote connection information will be posted on the district website prior to the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.