

Grosse Pointe Board of Education
Regular Meeting - October 5, 2026
MINUTES
Brownell Middle School - MPR
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Meeting Minutes

Encl: 5.2

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

President Derringer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board members present: Trustees: Cotton, Hull, St. John, Derringer, Worden, Klepp, Jeup

Absent: None

Late Arrival: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by all in attendance.

Also Present: Superintendent Dr. Roy Bishop, Dr. Sara Delgado, Mr. Moussa Hamka, CFO Andrea Agrusa, Office LaBeau

2. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 5, 2026

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Agenda for October 5, 2026, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Cotton, Hull, St. John, Derringer, Worden, Klepp, Jeup

Nays: Trustees: None

Motion passed 7-0

3. SUPERINTENDENT / STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT REPORTS

3.1. South Student Representative - Lauren Cole

Lauren provided an update on the events at South this week.

3.2. Presentation by South High School - Men of Vision, Making an Impact - Officer LaBeau

Members (Nadeem Haurani, Liam Willson, and Throop Linnell) of the group introduced themselves and presented on the mission and accomplishments for Men of Vision.

3.3. Curriculum Update - Dr. Sara Delgado

Provided an update on testing Cohort Data, tracking the same groups of students over the years in M-Step, PSAT, and NWEA testing. She also provided more information on Elementary Literacy Tiers for 2025-26,

where students are tracked by their data and assigned specific interventions based on their deficits. The number of students in K-4 who moved to Tier 1 increased, and the number of students in Tier 2 and 3 decreased.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR OCTOBER 5, 2026

No comment.

5. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

5.1. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the Special Meeting Minutes for September 21, 2026, as presented

Ayes: Trustees: Cotton, Hull, St. John, Derringer, Worden, Klepp, Jeup

Nays: Trustees: None

Motion passed 7-0

5.2. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Hull

THAT the Board approve the Special Meeting Minutes for September 21, 2026, as presented

Ayes: Trustees: Cotton, Hull, St. John, Derringer, Worden, Klepp, Jeup

Nays: Trustees: None

Motion passed 7-0

5.3. APPROVAL OF 21F VIRTUAL LEARNING DAYS

It was Moved by: Trustee St. John

Supported by: Trustee Worden

THAT the Board approve the 21f Virtual Learning Days, as presented

Ayes: Trustees: Cotton, Hull, St. John, Derringer, Worden, Klepp, Jeup

Nays: Trustees: None

Motion passed 7-0

6. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR OCTOBER 19, 2026

6.1. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes for October 5, 2026

6.2. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for October 5, 2026

7. FUTURE MEETINGS

- 7.1.** BOE Regular Meeting, Monday, October 19, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Brownell MPR
- 7.2.** BOE Regular Meeting, Monday, November 9, 2026, 7:00 p.m., Brownell MPR

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

Kevin Nugent, PFAE, spoke about the legal bills, enrollment numbers, and strategic plan update

9. BOARD MEMBER / SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Officer LeBeau - Reminded the public about the Walk Your Wheels campaign and that once on school property, you should be walking your bike. He thanked everyone for their patience during this busy construction time.

Dr. Delgado - Spoke about our yearly public forum for all the curriculum areas under review. Again this year, the forum will be held virtually, and community members can sign up to attend. This week kicks off our fall conferences, and we are excited to welcome parents in our buildings and showcase what students have been doing this year.

Mr. Hamka - Congratulated the North community on a successful Homecoming Week. Expressed how proud he is of the Men of Vision and the rich opportunity and environment being nurtured at South.

Trustee Cotton - Thanked Officer LeBeau for his help during the morning drop-off amid construction. Thanked the Men of Vision at South for their leadership and speaking tonight. Wished the South Community a happy Homecoming Week. Congratulated the Administration and the GPEA for reaching an agreement and working hard for the District.

Trustee Hull - Thank you to the students who came and spoke this evening and shared what is happening in the District. Thank you to both bargaining teams for reaching an agreement.

Trustee St. John - Loved hearing about the student-led initiatives that were shared tonight, showing our students support one another. Thanked Dr. Delgado and the other Administrators for the work they are doing to improve our Curriculum. Thanked Rebecca Fannon for the lively photos shared in the slide presentations at meetings to serve as a reminder why we do this.

Trustee Jeup - Hopeful and happy that a tentative agreement has been reached. Wished South a Happy Homecoming Week. Looks forward to our next meeting as the BOE has plenty to discuss at the Board table.

Trustee Klepp - Thanked and congratulated both the Administration negotiation team and GPEA leadership for arriving at an agreement.

Trustee Worden - Pointed out this was a fantastic week for our District. Grateful to the Administration and GPEA leadership for reaching a Tentative Agreement. Thanked the team at North and students on a successful Homecoming Parade.

CFO Andrea Agrusa - Spoke about Audit work nearing completion with a presentation from Plante Moran at the October 19th meeting.

Superintendent Bishop - Spoke about his excitement for reaching a tentative agreement with the GPEA and thanked all those involved for their work. Celebrated staff members: Cheryl Fox, finalist for School Psychologist of the Year - Michigan Association for School Psychologists. Gary Bennet-North selected to receive the 2026 John Wooden Legacy Award - National High School Basketball Coaches Association. Kevin Richard - South selected for the Thomas Herzlie Distinguished Service Award - Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan.

President Derringer - Spoke about how much he enjoyed North Homecoming and is looking forward to South Homecoming, some of his favorite time of the year. Shared that communities are strong because of the strength of the public school system.

11. ADJOURNMENT

It was Moved by: President Derringer

Supported by: Trustee St. John

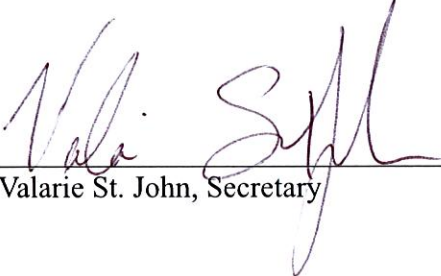
THAT the Board adjourn the meeting, as presented.

Ayes: Trustees: Cotton, Hull, St. John, Derringer, Worden, Klepp, Jeup

Nays: Trustees: None

Motion passed 7-0

President Derringer adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.



Valarie St. John, Secretary