

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting – March 15, 2016

The Grandview Heights Schools Board of Education met in regular session at the Brotherhood of Rooks Media Center in the Grandview Heights High School. The audio recording of this meeting is on file at the office of the Board of Education.

Call to Order: President Debbie Brannan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: The following members were present:

Members Present:

Debbie Brannan

Grant Douglass

Stephanie Evans

Melissa Palmisciano

Jesse Truett

Members Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance was said and a moment of silent meditation was held.

Recognition

Mr. Andy Culp recognized the Grandview Heights High School wrestling team coaches Sam Mehling and Nathan Ells, along with community supporter and alum Steve Reynolds, on a successful 2015-2016 wrestling season. Coach Mehling highlighted the individual wrestlers and their respective achievements.

Presentation

Principal Ken Chaffin and High School Science Teacher Jo Lee presented to the Board of Education and guests on College and Career Preparedness, including student data tracking through the National Student Clearinghouse.

Motion 16-092: (Minutes) Mr. Douglass moved to approve the minutes of the following meetings:

Regular Meeting, February 16, 2016

Special Meeting, February 24, 2016

Special Meeting, March 3, 2016

Mrs. Evans seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion 16-093 (Treasurer's Reports) Mr. Douglass moved to approve the February, 2016 Treasurer's reports and accept payment of the February bills totaling \$1,501,498.37 for all funds.

Mrs. Palmisciano seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Committee Reports

PI Facilities Committee – Jesse Truett reported on the PI Facilities Committee and the continued work of prioritizing district permanent improvement needs with limited resources. The Committee is assessing the District's current vehicle fleet and evaluating the possibility of updating the fleet.

Facility Oversight Committee – Jesse Truett also reported that Kevin Harrison from Harrison Planning Group is in the process of conducting facility assessments.

Superintendent's Report

Teaching and Learning

- State Report Card Update: Two important facts to share are that we had the highest graduation rate in central Ohio as well as the highest Performance Index in central Ohio for the third year in a row.
- Twelve (12) Grandview Heights Schools' teachers and principals recently attended the Dublin Literacy Conference finding new knowledge and resources to bring back to our schools.

- The final session of the 4Cs Institute is March 10. The work that principals, teachers, and the 21st-century team have done with the Institute has led to implementation project-based learning with several grade levels.
- Edison Intermediate will be extending the instruction day for students in 2016-2017 increasing time to focus on core academics and related arts classes, increase availability of enrichment opportunities, and offer a longer lunch and recess.
- EILMS hosted a Parent Curriculum Night on March 9, 2016, for rising 7th and 8th graders.
- Author Julia Cook visited Stevenson Elementary and Edison Intermediate on March 11, 2016, to share her stories that focus on social/emotional health, bullying, and resiliency.
- Principal Ken Chaffin was one of 1,300 principals nationwide who participated in the first national Shadow a Student Challenge. This event was created to offer principals an opportunity to gain understanding and empathy for their school's users. Take time to read Ken's blog posts at: <http://kenchaffin.wordpress.com/>
- In celebrating teaching and learning beyond the classroom, please join me in congratulating the following:
 - Congratulations to the staff and students who brought us *Meet Me in St. Louis*. They all did a fantastic job.
 - Nya Feinstein and Charlotte Gross participated in the Tri Village Rotary 4-Way speech competition. Nya placed first and will move on competition and Charlotte placed third overall.
 - Jackson Furbee and Georgia Mattingly were recently awarded Northwest Kiwanis \$1,500 college scholarships.
 - Eryn Wolfe is one of only 12 Central Ohio Outstanding Zonta Club Award recipients.
 - Wrestling Team – Brendan Fitzgerald, Benton Bair, and Hudson Jump qualified for State. Brendan placed 2nd (138 lbs), Hudson Jump placed 7th (182 lbs). Hudson is the first GHHS freshman to place at States and take the podium.
 - Basketball Team – Boys Varsity Basketball won the District Title against third seed Centerburg (43-40), but then were defeated in the Regional Semi-Final by St. Bernard Roger Bacon on March 9 (58-83).
 - Swimming – Adrienne Bechtel, Mary Emma MacLeod, Martina Moncolova, and Keelin O'Connor qualified for the 2016 State Meet. Adrienne Bechtel qualified for the 50 Free and is the first female swimmer *ever* to qualify for States in an individual event. The four together competed in the 400 Free Relay. Calvin Furbee qualified for States in both the 100M Butterfly (placed 15th) and the 200M Freestyle (placed 10th).
 - The Grandview Singers earned straight superior ratings at OMEA District Adjudicated Events from all four judges. The Grandview Singers has advanced to the state level for the 12th year in a row.
 - Grandview Heights Schools' Science Olympiad team placed second at the Regional Tournament held here on Saturday, March 12. Team members will advance to State competition on April 9.
 - James Shannon received an Honorable Mention writing award sponsored by the Arnold Fencing Classic and Columbus Rotary for his essay "The Courage of Fencing" regarding the courage it takes to compete in the sport as an athlete with autism. Arnold himself stepped into the fencing ring to present James with his award.
 - Extended Learning Core students recently competed in The Stock Market Game with teams from other districts. The 10-week curriculum involves math, social studies, and language arts while also allowing students the opportunities to trade and learn.
 - FIRST Robotics competed in the Pittsburgh Regional Competition last weekend and experienced tremendous success. They will be competing at Xavier University March 31-April 2.
 - Larson Middle School Power of the Pen Team has five students who have qualified for the State competition.

District Wide

- Transitions Coordinator Chris France has been named the Transitions Coordinator of the Year for the State of Ohio.
- Counselors, psychologists, administrators, and a Syntero representative met with community members on February 25, 2016, to continue the inclusivity discussion.
- Team members are invited to be presenters at the Batten Conference, July 14-17, in St. Louis, MO, to share the journey of welcoming students with Batten Disease into our school community.
- The district's health insurance committee has begun the cost savings discussions of moving to a consortium.
- Kevin Harrison of HPG/Harrison Planning Group has been in our district for several days assessing our facilities.
- On March 18, leadership team members will visit the PAST Foundation.

Community Engagement

- Congratulations to Dr. Jamie Lusher for organizing the district's inaugural Summer Enrichment Expo on March 2. The event hosted 35 exhibitors and welcomed 250 guests. As well, EI/LMS will be a hosting site for Camp Invention this summer and we have 30 participants so far!

- Grandview Heights and Upper Arlington Schools collaborated on a four-part cooking and life skills program for middle schoolers that was instructional, interactive, and ended in students enjoying their product. Thanks to Grandview Heights resident and Chef Jim Yue, parent Stephanie Gamble, Jennifer Haddow, and Chris France for their programming efforts.
- The K-8 PTOs hosted a successful Fun Fair on March 4. Fun Fair is a 65+ year-old tradition and the PTO's community thank you event for supporting the PTO, students, and staff throughout the year.
- The Athletic Department and Grandview Heights Parks and Recreation Department have collaborated on an All Sports Page document that combines all sporting opportunities available to Grandview Heights/Marble Cliff residents.
- Ongoing communication efforts include: a Spring district newsletter, website updates, Superintendent Coffees (March 18 at 8:15 a.m. – new time), THIS WEEK column, and #GHSDreamBig
- How To Talk So Kids Will Listen and Listen So Kids Will Talk book talk will be March 16 at 7 p.m. at Stevenson Elementary.

Recommendations from Superintendent to the Board of Education:

Motion 16-094 (Curriculum and Instruction) Mr. Truett moved to approve the following:

1. Field Trip
Recommend the board approve the 8th Grade field trip to Gettysburg, PA, and Washington, DC for the 2016-2017 school year:
 - a. October 10-12, 2016
 - b. Chartered bus provided by Prodigy Travel/Campbell Bus Lines
 - c. 95 students; cost \$520.00 per student/funded by district families
 - d. Chaperone to student ration is 1:10

Mrs. Palmisciano seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion 16-095 (Curriculum and Instruction) Mrs. Palmisciano moved to approve the following:

1. Field Trip
Recommend the board approve a FIRST Robotics field trip to Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio, for the 2015-2016 school year:
 - a. March 31-April 2, 2016
 - b. Chartered bus provided by S&S Coach
 - c. Approximately 24 students; cost \$100.00 per student or less/funded by parents and team
 - d. 2 plus chaperones

Mr. Truett seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, abstain; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 4-0-1.

Motion 16-096 (Board Policy and Procedure) Mr. Truett moved to approve the following:

1. Board Policy – Final Reading
Recommend the board consider on final reading the following required policies.
 - a. IKF – Graduation Requirements

Mr. Douglass seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

First Reading (Board Policy and Procedure)

1. Board Policy – First Reading
Recommend the board consider on first reading the following required policies.
 - a. JG – Student Discipline
 - b. EF/EFB – Food Services Management/Free and Reduced Price Food Services
2. Board Policy – First Reading
Recommend the board consider on first reading the following recommended policy.
 - a. JEDBA – Lunch Dismissal
3. K-12 Student – Parent Handbook 2016-2017 – First Reading
Recommend the board consider on first reading the K-12 Student – Parent Handbook 2016-2017.

Motion 16-097 (Business and Finance) Mr. Douglass moved to approve the following:

1. Resolution to Accept Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission, and Authorizing Necessary Tax Levies, and Certify to County Auditor
Recommend the board approve a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission, and authorizing the necessary tax levies, and certifying them to the County Auditor.
2. MSB Consulting Group Contract for Medicaid Consultation and Billing Services
Recommend the board approve a contract with MSB Consulting Group for Medicaid consultation and billing services, effective February 19, 2016, through February 19, 2019.
3. Tournament Game Payment
Recommend the board approve the following per game payments for the Boys’ Basketball tournament games as payable from the OHSSA tournament revenue:

a.	Game Manager	\$60.00
b.	Ticket Seller	\$25.00
c.	Ticket Taker	\$25.00
d.	Timer	\$25.00
e.	Announcer	\$25.00
f.	Trainer	\$60.00
4. Tournament Game Payment
Recommend the board approve the following per game payments for the MSL Middle School Boy’s Basketball tournament games as payable from the MSL tournament revenue:

a.	Manager	\$20.00
b.	Ticket Seller	\$15.00
c.	Ticket Taker	\$15.00
d.	Clock Operator	\$15.00
5. 2016-2017 Stevenson Elementary School Supply List
Recommend the board approve the Stevenson Elementary School supply list for the 2016-2017 school year.
6. 2016-2017 Edison Intermediate/Larson Middle School Supply Lists
Recommend the board approve the Edison Intermediate/Larson Middle School supply lists for the 2016-2017 school year.
7. Grandview Heights Public Library – Memorandum of Understanding
Recommend the board approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Grandview Heights Public Library.

8. Donations

Recommend the board accept the following donations:

- a. \$500.00 to FIRST Robotics from the Grandview Heights/Marble Cliff Education Foundation
- b. \$4,000.00 to FIRST Robotics from Sue Godez
- c. \$2,000.00 to Grandview Singers from the Grandview Heights High School Alumni Association
- d. \$21,820.00 to the Health and Wellness Center from the Touchdown Club
- e. \$100.00 to the Grandview Heights High School Wrestling Program from Jason and Kristi Jump
- f. \$60.00 to the Grandview Heights High School Wrestling Program from Jimmy Woodland

Mr. Truett seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion 16-098 (Personnel) Mr. Truett moved to approve the following:

1. Gifted Department Payments

Recommend the board approve the additional payment of \$150.00 each to the following teachers for additional time worked on February 15, 2016:

- a. Jannel Kumar
- b. Joan Grundey

2. Management Level Contract

Recommend the board approve the following contract:

- a. Brett Bradley, Director of Facilities and District Services, effective August 1, 2016, through July 31, 2019, \$76,220.00

3. Supplemental Contract

Recommend the board approve the following supplemental contract for the 2015-2016 school year:

- a. Luke Boyer, Basketball, Freshman Coach, Boys, Class V-1-1, \$2,392.62
- b. Tim Fries, Track, Middle School Coach, Class V-1-1, \$2,392.62
- c. Maria Murphy, Track, Assistant Varsity Coach, Class V-1-1, \$2,392.62
- d. Lisa Simpson, Softball, Assistant Varsity Coach (.50 FTE), Class V-3-M, \$1,993.85
- e. Cayla Warnock, Softball, JV Coach, Class V-1-3, \$2,392.62

4. Classified Employee Increase in Hours

Recommend the board approve an increase in hours for the following employee:

- a. Kelsey Sketel, from 5.0 hours/day to 5.75 hours/day, effective March 16, 2016

5. Classified Employee

Recommend the board approve the following classified employee:

- a. Christian LeMaster, Custodian, Step 1, \$15.87/hour, 8 hours/day, effective March 16, 2016

6. Maternity Leave/FMLA

Recommend the board approve the following leave request:

- a. Trillion Richter – from approximately April 16, 2016, through the end of the 2015-2016 school year, using a combination of accrued paid sick and unpaid leave.

7. Athletic Director Job Description

Recommend the board approve the Athletic Director job description.

8. Classified Substitute Employee
Recommend the board approve the following classified substitute employee for the 2015-2016 school year:
 - a. Jackie Ross, Cook, effective February 22, 2016.

9. Kids' Club Personnel – Change in Position
Recommend the board approve the follow Kids' Club employee change in position and hours for the 2015-2016 school year:
 - a. Rachele Walko, position change from Recreation Leader to Substitute, effective March 3, 2016.

Mrs. Evans seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion 16-099 (Co-Curricular Activities and Extra-Curricular Activities) Mr. Truett moved to approve the following:

1. Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Volunteers
Recommend the board approve the following volunteers for the 2015-2016 school year:
 - a. Jeffrey S. Smith

Mrs. Evans seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion Topics

Grant Douglass mentioned his support of the new procedure for high school students serving as camp counselors to be interviewed. The interview process itself will be valuable experience for students.

Motion 16-100: (Executive Session) Mr. Truett moved to go into executive session for the following purposes:

1. The employment of personnel.

Mrs. Palmisciano seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Entered into executive session: 8:25 p.m.

Returned to regular session: 10:00 p.m.

Motion 16-101: (Adjourn) Mr. Truett moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Palmisciano seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mrs. Brannan, aye; Mr. Douglass, aye; Mrs. Evans, aye; Mrs. Palmisciano, aye; Mr. Truett, aye.

President Brannan declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

President

Treasurer