

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
MINUTES OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Regular Meeting – November 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	Members Present:	Members Absent:
	Debbie Brannan	
	Grant Douglass	
	Stephanie Evans	
	Melissa Palmisciano	
	Jesse Truett	

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

Mr. Chris Herrmann presented the new GHHS band uniform modeled by a current student band member. A second student modeled the current band uniform for comparison.

A local resident and business owner addressed the board regarding political attire worn by students following the recent presidential election. He felt like students wearing such attire was causing issues and affecting the learning environment for other students.

**Motion 17-047: (Minutes)** Mr. Truett moved to approve the minutes of the following meeting:  
Special Meeting, October 18, 2016 (A.M.)

Mrs. Palmisciano seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried 4-0-1.

**Motion 17-048: (Minutes)** Mrs. Palmisciano moved to approve the minutes of the following meeting:  
Regular Meeting, October 18, 2016 (P.M.)

Mrs. Evans 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.

**Presentation**

Dr. Jamie Lusher, Mrs. Roni Pettit, and Mrs. Sara Hager presented to the Board of Education on Extended Standards and how they are utilizing them in their classrooms.

Mr. Brad Bertani presented to the Board of Education on the turf replacement project.

**Motion 17-049 (Treasurer's Reports)** Mrs. Palmisciano moved to approve the October, 2016 Treasurer's reports and accept payment of the October bills totaling \$1,562,283.47 for all funds.

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.

**Committee Reports**

Permanent Improvement Committee - Mr. Truett reported the PI Committee is currently working on putting together an updated 5 year spending plan.

Mr. Truett also reported that the Facility Oversight Committee has been eliminated as it seemed to create redundancy with issues already being addressed by the PI Committee and the Facility Task Force.

Facility Task Force – Mr. Truett reported that the Facility Task Force is currently looking at Frank Locker to assist the District in continuing the facility assessment process. His firm was selected by the Task Force as #2 and is very well respected in the educational planning field.

GHMC Educational Foundation – Mrs. Evans reported that the foundation met recently and is planning for the upcoming gala on February 18, 2017 at the downtown Hilton Hotel.

Mrs. Palmisciano reported that she represented Grandview Heights Schools as the delegate to the recent OSBA Capital Conference.

## **Superintendent's Report**

### **Teaching and Learning**

- At the November PTO meeting, six groups of 7th grade students used their 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning skills to present their ideas on improving the playground experience at EILMS. Selected groups shared their ideas and prototypes, discussed the benefits for all students, provided a detailed cost analysis, and explained how the items could be stored and/or maintained.
- The Edison Intermediate/Larson Middle School Student Council Coin Drive for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society was successful in raising more than \$1,580.00. Advisor Meredith Lenz shared that the kids are incredible and what a difference that money will make to those affected by Leukemia and Lymphoma.
- Compliments to Chief Academic Officer Dr. Jamie Lusher who recently presented at the Ohio School Boards Association state conference on standards-based grading and extended learning standards.
- Stevenson Elementary will host First Grade Mexico Night on November 17<sup>th</sup> for students and families. Students will share their learning from an integrated Mexico unit - a collaboration of their Spanish, art, music, and library classes.
- Seven students were selected to participate in the OCC Honor Choir held at OSU: Ashley Linville, Julianne Zimmerman, Claire Fishpaw, Alex Joseph, Andrew Bergmann, Nate Pommering, and Andy Landrum. Alex Joseph, Sarah Anne Kauffman, and Julianne Zimmerman have also been invited to audition for the Ohio All-State Choir.
- The fall play, "Play On!" and An Afternoon of Scenes was presented on November 3-5, 2016. Congratulations to the cast, crew, and Director April Olt and Musical Director Andrew Grega on a fantastic performance.
- Upcoming concerts include:
  - Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – Middle School Band Concert
  - Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – Middle School Choir Holiday Concert
  - Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, Orchestra Concert, Grades 5-12 GHHS
  - Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, High School Holiday Band Concert Band & Jazz Ensemble
  - Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, High School Holiday Choral Concert
- Congratulations to freshman Christopher Miller, our lone qualifier for the state cross country meet and to our boys soccer team for their efforts in tournament play.
- Congratulations to Senior Jordan Beight who has committed to Cornell University to be a student-athlete in their track and field program.
- Recognition and appreciation to our many veterans who serve on our staff and on our Board of Education including board members Melissa Palmisciano and Grant Douglass.

### **District-Wide**

- Compliments to Dr. Jamie Lusher, Joan Grundey, Jannel Kumar, and others for an excellent presentation on Gifted Education on November 10<sup>th</sup>.
- We will be notifying residents via school messenger on November 16<sup>th</sup> regarding our turf replacement project and the closing of Anderson Field at Bobcat Stadium during this time. We hope to have the project completed in time for spring sports.
- November 16<sup>th</sup> is National Educational Support Staff Appreciation Day and our buildings and departments will be celebrating our very important support staff members.
- Grandview Heights Schools is pleased to host a free screening of the acclaimed film, *Most Likely to Succeed*, on Monday, December 19, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the Grandview Heights High School Auditorium. This event is free and open to the public, but a ticket is required. Tickets can be obtained at <https://ghcsmlts.eventbrite.com>.
- The next Facility Task Force Meeting is scheduled for December 8, 2016, at 7 p.m. in the GHHS Media Center.

### **Community Engagement**

- Our PTO organizations are awesome and so appreciated. Our K-3 PTO and Stevenson Elementary staff organized a great Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. The high school PTO hosted a self-defense class for our students on November 5<sup>th</sup>. And all three building PTOs provided creative and delicious support and appreciation for our staff members during conferences and throughout the fall.
- Superintendent's Coffee – This Friday at 8:15 a.m. at Marshall's in Grandview.
- Beth Collier has authored and submitted a column to THIS WEEK newspaper regarding the five-year forecast for 11.24.16 publication.
- Our next district newsletter will be coming in January 2017 and our website continues to be regularly updated with news and information.

### **Recommendations from Superintendent to the Board of Education:**

**Motion 17-050 (Curriculum and Instruction)** Mrs. Evans moved to approve the following:

1. Field Trip  
Recommend the board approve the following field trip for the Grandview Heights High School Swim Team to Denison University in Granville, Ohio, for the 2016-2017 school year:
  - a. January 6-7, 2017
  - b. Travel by bus, funded by Grandview Heights High School
  - c. Approximately 35 students
  - d. 8-10 chaperones including coaches and parents
2. Field Trip  
Recommend the board approve the following marine biology and research field trip for high school students to Carmabi/Curacao, for the 2016-2017 school year.
  - a. June 2017 (dates to be determined based on flights)
  - b. Travel by airplane, vans
  - c. Approximately 20-30 students, cost funded by students and fundraising
  - d. 4-5 chaperones (Jeremy Rummer, Jo Lee, Brian Lee, others still TBD)

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.

### **First Reading (Board Policy)**

1. Board Policies – First Reading  
Recommend the board consider the following board policies on first reading:
  - a. IIBH – District Websites
  - b. JEC – School Admission
  - c. JECAA – Admission of Homeless Students
  - d. JECCA-R – Admission of Homeless Students (Enrollment Dispute Resolution Process)
  - e. JFCF – Hazing and Bullying (Harassment, Intimidation and Dating Violence)
  - f. JFG – Interrogations and Searches
  - g. JFG – R – Interrogations and Searches
  - h. JO – R – Student Records
  - i. JO – Student Records

**Motion 17-051 (Business and Finance)** Mr. Truett moved to approve the following:

1. OSBA Services Agreement  
Recommend the board approve an agreement with the Ohio School Boards Association for web-based policy services.

2. Cumberland Therapy Associates  
Recommend the board approve an agreement with Cumberland Therapy Associates for speech services, effective October 18, 2016, through May 25, 2017, at an updated rate of \$ 85.50/hour.
3. Turf Contract  
Recommend the board approve a contract with Field Turf for the replacement of Anderson Field synthetic field turf at a cost not to exceed \$335,000.00, payable from Anderson Family donations and Permanent Improvement levy funds.
4. Electricity Purchasing Resolution  
Recommend the board approve the following resolution for electricity purchasing.

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE FROM THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID SUBMITTED TO META SOLUTIONS FOR THE BILLING PERIOD COMMENCING WITH THE JUNE 2017 BILLING CYCLE AND TERMINATING NO LATER THAN THE MAY 2020 BILLING CYCLE.

WHEREAS, the School District is a member of META Solutions (f/k/a Metropolitan Educational Council) (the "Council"), a body authorized by state statute to aggregate purchasing needs of schools and of related nonprofit educational entities so as to take advantage of economies of scale when purchasing essential products and services; and

WHEREAS, the Council joined with other major school districts and educational purchasing councils to conduct a Request for Proposal for competitive retail electric service commencing with the June 2017 billing cycle and terminating no later than the close of the May 2020 billing cycle, with bids to be submitted for one, two and three year periods (the "RFP"); and

WHEREAS, the RFP seeks a single, fixed-price for all energy charges, excluding capacity charges which shall be passed-through directly to the School District; and

WHEREAS, the Council will send or has sent notices to bid on the School District's electric load to all competitive retail electric service providers licensed to sell power in the state of Ohio and registered with the applicable electric distribution utility; and

WHEREAS, the Council will select the lowest responsible bid submitted in response to the attached RFP, contemplated to be on or before November 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, this School District may review the lowest responsible bid and corresponding term and elect anytime up to 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 2016, unless extended to a later date as may be allowed under the RFP, to accept the lowest responsible bid with no obligation prior to that time or thereafter if the School District does not sign a Master Supply Agreement with the selected bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee will review the lowest responsible bid and corresponding term when the RFP is concluded and determine whether the lowest responsible bid provides for competitive retail electric service for all of the School District's electric load that is the result of a public and competitive RFP;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO, as follows:

Section 1.

The Board of Education of this School District does hereby consent, as a member of the Council, to the conducting of an RFP process by the Council for competitive retail electric service commencing with the June 2017 billing cycle and terminating no later than the close of the May 2020 billing cycle, with bids to be submitted for one, two and three year periods on such terms and conditions as the Council deems appropriate.

Section 2.

The Board of Education of this School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to execute a Master Supply Agreement to be prepared by the Council between the School District and the lowest responsible bidder in the RFP so long as the Superintendent or his appointee finds that the price reflects the results of a public and competitive RFP.

Section 3.

The Board of Education hereby directs the Treasurer to review the lowest responsible bid once received and the Master Supply Agreement and determine if the School District has sufficient funds to certify this resolution and, if the Treasurer so finds, to certify this resolution.

5. Donations

Recommend the board accept the following donations:

- a. \$1,300.00 from the Tri-Village Rotary Club to Kids' Club for the purchase of a computer
- b. \$100.00 from Bret Sinclair to the Athletic Department

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.

**Motion 17-052** Mrs. Evans moved to approve the following:

**(Personnel)**

1. Resignation

Recommend the board accept the following resignations:

- a. Cathy Hart, Head Cook, effective November 22, 2016
- b. Vicki Dunlevy, Science Olympiad Coordinator, effective October 24, 2016

2. WEP and WAP Payment

Recommend the board approve a payment of \$150.00/day for two days of writing WEPs and WAPS to:

- a. Jannel Kumar
- b. Joan Grundey

3. Employee Transfer

Recommend the board approve the following employee transfer:

- a. Roger Reisinger from Custodian, Step 12, to Groundskeeper, Step 12, \$22.08/hour, effective November 16, 2016

4. Supplemental Contract Correction (GHEA, Article X, pg. 33-35)

Recommend the board approve the following supplemental contract correction:

- a. Jill McNerney, from 1.0 FTE Swimming, Asst. Varsity Coach (Diving), to .50 FTE

5. Tournament Game Payment

Recommend the board approve the following hourly payments for the boys and girls soccer tournament games, payable from OHSAA tournament revenue:

- a. Site Manager \$75.00
- b. Athletic Trainer \$60.00
- c. Announcer \$25.00
- d. Ticket Seller \$25.00
- e. Ticket Taker \$25.00
- f. Timer \$25.00

6. Home Instruction Payment (GHEA, Article XI.B.1.,pg. 39)  
Recommend the board approve home instruction payments not to exceed five hours/week per each employee, at a rate of \$27.85/hour to:
  - a. Karla Hayes
  - b. Naome Allison
  
7. Classified Employee  
Recommend the board approve the following classified employee:
  - a. Seth Given, Custodian, Step 4, \$16.83/hour, effective November 16, 2016
  
8. Supplemental Contracts (GHEA, Article X, pg. 33-35)  
Recommend the board approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2016-2017 school year:
  - a. James Byerly, Wrestling, Middle School Coach, Class V-1-3, \$2,410.56
  - b. Karen Daniel-Hamberg, Basketball, JV Girls, Class IV-1-1, \$2,812.32
  - c. Nathan Ells, Wrestling, Assistant Varsity Coach, Class IV-2-8, \$3,414.96
  - d. Joshua Engle, Basketball, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Coach, Girls, Class V-1-1, \$2,410.56
  - e. Jessica Frank, Swimming, Assistant Varsity Coach (.50 FTE), Class V-1-1, \$1,205.28
  - f. Joe Hecker, Site Manager, Winter, Class V-3-M, \$4,017.60
  - g. Meredith Lenz, Softball, Middle School Coach, Class V-1-1, \$2,410.56
  - h. Jason Peters, Wellness for Life, Winter, Class V-3-M, \$4,017.60
  - i. Matthew Siegel, Basketball, Freshman Coach, Boys, Class V-2-9, \$3,013.20
  
9. Classified Substitutes  
Recommend the board approve the following substitute classified employees:
 

a. William Amurgis	Substitute Paraprofessional, effective November 7, 2016
b. Colleen Ward	Substitute Paraprofessional, effective November 7, 2016
c. Ellen Shraim	Substitute Secretary
d. Glenn Waugh	Substitute Custodian
  
10. Increase in Hours  
Recommend the board approve an increase in FTE for Leslie MacNabb from .70 FTE to .83 FTE, effective Monday, November 7, 2016.

**(Co-Curricular Activities and Extra-Curricular Activities)**

1. Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Volunteers  
Recommend the board approve the following volunteers:
  - a. Arin K. Hawkins
  - b. Lara E. Kahn
  - c. Cassandra Lynn Logan
  - d. Robert B. Lount
  - e. Elizabeth A. Markley
  - f. Heather S. Moore
  - g. Craig R. Quinby
  - h. Elaine M. Rankin
  - i. David C. Ramming
  - j. Gail E. Ramming
  - k. Emily D. Reardon
  - l. Matthew T. Reardon
  - m. Julie A. Rutter
  - n. Samuel W. Younkin

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.

**Discussion**

Mr. Truett reported that levies for Hilliard, Westerville and Columbus Schools all passed. He also congratulated the Grandview Heights Public Library for the successful passage of its levy.

**Motion 17-053: (Executive Session)** Mrs. Palmisciano moved to go into executive session for the following purposes:

1. The employment of personnel.
2. Preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining/ sessions with employees.

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

Entered into executive session: 8:09 p.m.

Returned to regular session: 9:15 p.m.

**Motion 17-054: (Adjourn)** Mrs. Palmisciano moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Douglass seconded the motion.

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

President Brannan declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

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President

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Treasurer