

RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS

The Groveport Madison School District Board of Education
Emergency Meeting
August 3, 2022

The Board of Education of the Groveport Madison School District Board met in an emergency session on Wednesday, August 3, 2022. The meeting was held at the Groveport Madison District Service Center located at 4400 Marketing Place, Suite B, Groveport, Ohio 43125.

Note: The meeting changed from a special to emergency meeting due to the need to finalize student transportation arrangements for the 2022-2023 school year. The executive session has been removed.

Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order by President, Chris M. Snyder at 6:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Board President and recited by attendees.

Roll Call

Responding to the roll call by Treasurer, Felicia Drummey, were Chris M. Snyder, Libby Gray, LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Seth Bower, and Kathleen Walsh.

22-358 Agenda

Motion by Libby Gray, seconded by LaToya Dowdell-Burger that the Board of Education approve the agenda.

Yes: Libby Gray, LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Chris M. Snyder, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Superintendent Agenda

22-359 Employment of Deputy Superintendent

Motion by Libby Gray, seconded by LaToya Dowdell-Burger that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent recommendation to hire Paul Smathers at a salary of \$150,066 with an employment contract of (3) years starting August 4, 2022 pursuant to the terms and conditions as set forth in the employment contract.

- *Kathleen Walsh asked Mr. Grube if a copy of the employment contract is available for review. Mr. Grube responded by stating the Deputy Superintendent contract is the standard administrative contracted utilized by the school district. Mrs. Walsh asked for a copy of the standard administrative contract, board members along with Mr. Grube explained the Board approved the standard administrative contracts during a prior meeting of the Board.*

Yes: Libby Gray, LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Seth Bower, Chris M. Snyder.

No: Kathleen Walsh

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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22-360 Purchase of Bus Fleet [Attachment](#)

Motion by Libby Gray, seconded by LaToya Dowdell-Burger that the Board of Education approve the Superintendent recommendation to approve the purchase the bus fleet referenced as Exhibit A.

- *Libby Gray raised concerns about the amortization of all costs and the impact to the depreciation values expressing a desire that these costs be corrected. Adam Miller, Attorney with Kegler, Brown, Hill & Ritter, addressed Mrs. Gray’s concerns stating that he will raise the concern with Petermann’s council but does not want this to be a reason to delay approving the purchase of the fleet.*
- *Kathleen Walsh inquired about why only fifty-six buses are being purchased. Director of Business Services, Chris Reed responded that only buses with a model year of 2015 or newer will be purchased. Mr. Grube added that in the event additional buses are found to be needed the district will seek to purchase them from alternative sources.*

Yes: Libby Gray, LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Chris M. Snyder, Seth Bower.
No: Kathleen Walsh
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

22-361 Adjournment

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, seconded by Libby Gray to adjourn the meeting at 7: 00 P.M.

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower, Kathleen Walsh, Chris M. Snyder.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

President

Treasurer