

Board of Education Regular Meeting (Wednesday, August 14, 2024)

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Members present

LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Meeting called to order at 6:57 PM

A. Opening Items

Procedural: 1. Pledge of Allegiance at 7 pm.

Discussion: 2. Five Principles of Cruiser PLC

Procedural: 3. Roll Call - All present

Discussion: 4. Review of Belief Statement and Board Norms

B. Agenda Approval

Action 2024-290: 1. Adoption of Meeting Agenda
Move that the Board of Education approve the agenda.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

C. Call to Order

D. Public Participation

Procedural, Information: 1. David Reynolds - Assessed recently the playgrounds and they are in bad shape. I hope it is addressed. Handicap swing needs addressed also.

Amy Davie - Mother - Received notification that son is moving schools and is upset by it. My kids have responsibility of themselves and others. Here to fight for my kid.

E. Recognitions and Presentations

Discussion: 1. Instruction and Achievement - 2024 Teacher Toolbox Academy - Professional Development Sessions that help teachers and admin.

Discussion: 2. Innovation and Accountability Update - MCORE Foundation - Will help with heart screenings for our athletes. Will detect heart defects and we are looking for funding. GMLEA will help with funding.

F. Board Items

Discussion, Report: 1. Student Advisory Committee Update - Will resume them quickly in the schools.

Discussion: 2. Best Practices for Fraud Prevention - Ms. Scott talked about how we assess if students should attend here or should not. Board policy and federal guidelines are what we have to follow.

G. Executive Session

Action 2024-291: 1. Recommendation to Adjourn to Executive Session at 7:51 pm.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session for the Purpose of preparing for, conducting or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees, in accordance with ORC 121.22

Motion by Seth Bower, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

H. Reconvene Open Session

Information: 1. Reconvene Open Session at 8:49 pm.

I. Superintendent's Agenda

Action 2024-292, Discussion: 1. Approve the Contract with the Groveport Madison Local Education Association.

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the contract between the Groveport Madison Local Board of Education and the Groveport Madison Local Education Association (GMLEA). It was a 3 year contract at raises of 3.75%, 3% and 3% per year.

Motion by John Kershner, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Action 2024-293 : Move to take a 5 minute recess at 8:55 pm.

Motion by Seth Bower, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Presentation, Report: 2. Business Services Update - Mr. Hausmann talked about the playgrounds and how they need address quickly and safely. Board members expressed concerns and would like the playgrounds fixed promptly. Mr. Hausmann also talked about 4500 building punchlist has started and concrete is done and buses have started moving over there. New radios are coming in for safety. The later agreement with the JDA with City will help safety of our students coming in and out of HS. Finished by talking about getting playgrounds safe and back to working conditions to students can play on them.

Presentation, Report: 3. Diversity, Engagement and Human Capital Report - 8 new hires since July and 2 resignations (before July 10th) for certificated. Classified was 5 new hires and 5 resignations.

Presentation, Report: 4. Student Services Update

Presentation, Report: 5. Special Projects Report - Working on EDP, community engagement and DE council update.

Action 2024-294, Discussion: 6. Approve 2024-2025 Bus Stops

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Bus Stops for the 2024-2025 School Year as follows:

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Action 2024-295, Discussion: 7. Approve Turn Lane Project Closeout

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve releasing funds encumbered for design services provided by Kleingers Group and closing purchase order 2401036 (as specified in the attached resolution).

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Action 2024-296, Discussion: 8. Approve Joint Development Agreement with City of Groveport

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Board of Education approve the Joint Development Agreement With the City of Groveport for the Construction of Roadways Improvements (as specified in the attached resolution). This project will make is safer for our students coming in and out of HS.

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, second by John Kershner.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Abstain: Seth Bower

Action 2024-297, Discussion: 9. Approve Paving Project

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Board of Education approve the paving project for grounds surrounding the DSC and Primary One as quoted by Prodigy Building Solutions. The project will be funded by the Permanent Improvement Fund, not to exceed \$209,857.(not the General Fund)

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower, John Kershner

No: Kathleen Walsh

Action 2024-298, Discussion: 10. Approve Job Descriptions

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the JROTC Instructor (Non-Commission), JROTC Instructor (Officer) and Summer School Coordinator job descriptions.

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, second by John Kershner.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Action 2024-299, Discussion: 11. Approve Sub Teacher Rate

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the increase in the daily substitute teacher pay rate from \$140 to \$155 (Daily Subs), and an increase of \$175 to \$185 (Building Subs/Retired Groveport Teachers) effective August 12, 2024. This would put us near the top of the county for sub rates with other schools in the county.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by LaToya Dowdell-Burger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Action 2024-300, Minutes: 12. Approve the minutes for the July Regular and Special Board Meetings

The Treasurer recommends the Groveport Madison Local Board of Education approve the minutes for the July 10, 2024 Regular Board meeting and the July 29, 2024 Special Meeting. John and Kathy did not approve and do not like how they are done.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower

No: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Action 2024-301: 13. Approve Certificated Personnel Items

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Certificated Personnel Items:

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower

No: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Action 2024-302: 14. Approve Non Certificated Personnel Items

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Non-Certificated Personnel Items:

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower, Kathleen Walsh

No: John Kershner

Action 2024-303: 15. Approve Special Education Contracts

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following Special Education contracts - Three (3) contracts with I am Boundless, and the Seat Purchase Agreement with Buckeye Ranch, Blueberry Therapies, LLC, and Four (4) contracts with Soliant Health, LLC.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Discussion: 16. Review Policy KG-R Community Use of School Premises (Equal Access) - First Read - Discussion was had and some additions will be added before 2nd read.

Action 2024-304 : 17. Approve Payment-In-Lieu Transportation Reimbursement

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve payment-in-lieu of transportation reimbursement. The Ohio law allows for public school districts to determine the impracticality of transporting resident students attending schools not located within the district after consideration of a number of factors. Upon that determination, the school district is permitted to offer payment-in-lieu of transportation to the parent/guardian. The Transportation Department has completed studies and residents in affected areas will be offered payment-in-lieu of for the 2023-2024 school year. The initial list of families being offered payment-in-lieu-of transportation is attached as Executive Content since it lists students' names.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower

No: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Action 2024-305 , Discussion: 18. Approve Evolv Monitors - Classified Staff

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve up to 7 Classified Staff members to serve as Evolv Weapons Detection System Monitors for the 2024-2025 School Year, up to one (1) hour per day, at the rate of \$22/per hour - in accordance with the standing OAPSE MOU.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower, John Kershner

No: Kathleen Walsh

J. Treasurer's Agenda

Procedural: 1. Treasurer's Reports - Looking good for the 1st month of the fiscal year. Amounts came in on budget.

Action 2024-306, Discussion: 2. Administrator Salary Structure and Pick-up Schedule

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Administrator Salary Structure and Pick-up Schedule attached.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower

No: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

K. Executive Session

Action 2024-307: 1. Recommendation to Adjourn to Executive Session at 10:59 pm.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of, Conferences with the board's attorney to discuss matters which are the subject of pending or imminent court action, in accordance with ORC 121.22

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

L. Reconvene Open Session

Information: 1. Reconvene Open Session at 11:35 pm.

M. Comments, Announcements, and Other Business

Discussion, Information: 1. Review State cell phone policy Discuss new policy on marijuana. When is staff allowed to look at other's emails - policy Need Transportation Committee to be formed. More information about Student Council and maybe have them come to meetings.

N. Adjournment

Action 2024-308: 1. Motion to Adjourn at 11:40 pm.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner