

Board of Education Regular Meeting (Wednesday, June 12, 2024)*Generated by Kimberly Grilli on Monday, June 17, 2024***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 ApprovalAction 2024-233: 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

Action 2024-234: 2. Move to add Contract Negotiations to Executive Session.

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 2024-235: 3. Move to take ten minute recess. Come back at 7:18 pm.

Motion by Kathleen Walsh, second by Libby Gray

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action 2024-236: 4. Move both executive sessions to after Treasurer Agenda

Motion by Kathleen Walsh, second by Libby Gray

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

C. Call to Order**D. Public Participation**

1 - Mr. Harold Carey - Trust is earned not rewarded. I don't see why the new contract had to happen for the Supt. Admin has treated their staff badly. I don't like being dragged into the court case that is ongoing. I am available. I emailed Ms. Walsh and now I can not email. I have brought many things to the Board about incidents that have happened to our kids. Kids still scared to use bathrooms. Families are pulling their kids because of Groveport. I can meet anytime. Social media is a way to be vocal.

2 - Ms. Alba Carey - Last mtg the President said the district is changing, what does that mean. We as residents voted for you. We are here to work together for our kids. I am ashamed how a Bd member treats a Bd member that is disabled.

3 - Ms. Betty Simcox - Question about Supt contract amendment. Why so only a couple pages. It is much harder to read. Is Board trying to hide something. What is the annuity definition. What is mileage payment and does IRS mileage reimbursement also happened. Bd member said at last mtg that Supt contract has to be competitive. It was before the amendment. Why do an additional amendment if he is already competitive in Franklin Co.

4 - Mr. Brian Casserly - Ask to make 2 Bd mtgs per month the normal.

5 - Mr. John Kershner - Speak from podium. 1st amendment says we should not have address and name spoke. META issue that occurred many years ago. Admin and finance needs to have friction. Supt contract would not have happened if finance and admin were not buddies.

6 - Ms. Kathy Walsh - I could not make the June 5th mtg. We asked for 2 Bd mtgs per month at beginning of year. Supt contract was a bad contract. Supt has annuity and other perks.

E. Recognitions and Presentations

Recognition: 1. Groveport Madison Local School District Recognizes Madison Township Fire Dept. and LaShonna Tanyhill for the May 9 bus fire

Recognition: 2. Recognizing June Pride Month for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual people

Action, Recognition: 3. Recognizing Juneteenth - Just a recognition no action needed.

Presentation: 4. EmspireMore Presentation

Action 2024-237, Discussion: 5. Teaching and Learning Update and Explanation of Language Arts Curriculum - Ms. Walsh and Mr. Kershner voted no because it was hard to read in the agenda and need more time to review. Other Bd member said they could read it just fine.

Approve Amplify Invoice for CKLA Language Arts Learning Curriculum for next five (5) years

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

Discussion: 6. Innovation and Accountability Update

F. Board Items

Presentation, Report: 1. Safety Committee Update - Mr. Smathers and Ms. Conwell (Chairperson) - Went over Navigate 360 program and this will help us be more consistent with 1st responders and also PBIS. Navigate 360 presentation was very cool. Talked about threat assessments and emergency response. Teachers will be able to use technology during drills.

Discussion, Report: 2. Student Advisory Committee Update - Getting applications out for next yr. From students last mtg to get more DE programming. Last yr people are grandfathered in. abd member asked can we put it with final forms to get more students from all bldgs.

Discussion: 3. Educational Trust - Golf outing is this Friday.

Action 2024-238: 4. Approve Resolution to Join Vouchers Hurt Ohio Lawsuit - TABLED

The Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approves the following Resolution to join the Vouchers Hurt Ohio Lawsuit to TABLE this.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action 2024-239: Discussion: 5. Discuss Request for Territory Transfer - 2 community members are here asking for them to be transferred to Hamilton Local School District. They are asking to leave Groveport. They feel part of Obetz and not Groveport. - TABLED

Move to table this item.

Motion to table by John Kershner, second by Libby Gray - No Vote

Motion to Amend item to let community members speak

Motion by John Kershner, second by Kathleen Walsh

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

G. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): 1. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda - Ms. Walsh requests everything to be moved out of consent agenda to be voted separately.

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda according to recommended action.

Action 2024-240: 2. Approve the minutes for the June 5, 2024 Special Board Meeting

The Treasurer recommends the Groveport Madison Local Board of Education approve the minutes for the June 5, 2024 Special Board meeting

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: John Kershner

Abstain: Kathleen Walsh

Action 2024-241 (Consent): 3. Approve Certificated Personnel Items

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

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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 2024-242 (Consent): 4. Approve Non Certificated Personnel Items
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following 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
Abstain: John Kershner

Action 2024-243 (Consent): 5. Approve Special Education Contracts
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following Special Education contracts - Five (5) contracts with New Story Schools, Two (2) contracts with Highland Community Learning Center, Service Agreement with Tristar Transportation Co., Contract with ProCare Therapy, Service Agreement with Briar Patch, and Use of Facilities and Services with Dreams on Horseback

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

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 2024-244: 6. Approve Payment-In-Lieu Transportation Reimbursement
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 2024-245 (Consent): 7. Approve Supplemental Payment to Washington DC Trip Chaperones
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the supplemental payment to the chaperones of the Middle School Washington DC trip.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following 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, John Kershner

Action 2024-246 (Consent): 8. Approve Stipend to Teachers for PLC Training Days
Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve \$150 per day (\$300 total) stipend to teachers attending PLC training.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following 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, John Kershner

H. Superintendent's Agenda

Action 2024-247: 1. Approve List of Candidates for Graduation
The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the attached list of candidates for graduation.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower

Abstain: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Presentation, Report: 2. Business Services Update

Action 2024-248: 3. Approve Resolution to Approve Change Order No. 23 to GMP Amendment No. 4 to CMR Agreement with Setterlin Building Company

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education Approve the Resolution to Approve Change Order No. 23 to GMP Amendment No. 4 to CMR Agreement with Setterlin Building Company and authorizing negotiation and execution of the Change Order.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Report: 4. Diversity, Engagement and Human Capital Report

Discussion: 5. OFCC Update and Discussion

I. Treasurer's Agenda

Procedural: 1. Treasurer's Reports

Presentation: 2. District Savings Report

Action 2024-249: 3. Authorize Submission of the FY24 Final Appropriations and FY24 Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources to County Auditor

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to submit to the Franklin County Auditor the FY24 Final Appropriations and FY24 Final Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources as of June 30, 2024 with the submission of revised actuals to be reported at its next regular meeting for ratification.

Motion by John Kershner, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Action 2024-250: 4. Authorize Establishment of FY25 Temporary Appropriations and Estimated Resources

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to establish Fiscal Year 2025 Temporary Appropriations and Estimated Resources to provide for operations beginning July 1, 2025 with any modification to actual to be reported at its next regular meeting for ratification.

Motion by Seth Bower, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Action 2024-251: 5. Accept Donation of Preschool Equipment

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education accept the donation of Preschool Fitness Kits from Bleckmann USA, valued at \$15,000.

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 2024-252: 6. Approve Timothy Michael Donation

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the \$25,000 cash donation to the Timothy Michael Scholarship Fund

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action 2024-253: Corrective Action to make this not a consent agenda item

Motion by John Kershner, second by Kathleen Walsh

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

J. Executive Session

Action 2024-254: 1. Recommendation to Adjourn to Executive Session at 10:23 pm.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of meeting with the Board's legal counsel to discuss disputes involving the District that are

the subject of pending or imminent court action; and for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation, dismissal, discipline, or in accordance with the 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

K. Reconvene Open Session

Information: 1. Reconvene Open Session at 11:18 pm.

L. Executive Session

Action 2024-255: 1. Recommendation to Adjourn to Executive Session at 11:19 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 concerning compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, 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

M. Reconvene Open Session

Information: 1. Reconvene Open Session at 11:44 pm.

N. Comments, Announcements, and Other Business

Information: 1. Mr. Kerschner wants better AV for Board room and speakers and camera. July 29th Special Bd mtg if we can not do 2 mtgs on July 10th for OFCC resolution

O. Adjournment

Action 2024-256: 1. Motion to Adjourn
11:52 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