

Board of Education Regular Meeting (Wednesday, May 8, 2024)

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Members present

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

Meeting called to order at 6:50 PM

A. Opening Items

Procedural: 1. Pledge of Allegiance at 7:04pm.

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 24-194: 1. Adoption of Meeting Agenda - Remove Sections N,O,P,Q. Move J and K to before the Supt. Agenda "H". 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

- 1 - Ms. Nancy - Cheer program - Cheerleaders work hard and deserve recognitions. They work hard during the off season and during the season. I am seeing advancement and development in their life. Groveport is awesome. Upstanding young girls.
- 2 - Ms. Stansell and Ms. Coley - MS SAC girls speak. They want to talk about Iready. Iready is not good. Kids skip thru the work and just try to answer the questions. Iready confuses the students. Please consider a substitute for Iready.
- 3 - Ms. Riffle and Ms. Dresbrock - Talk about move territory from Groveport to Hamilton Local Schools. It is near Obetz. Want to move to Hamilton Schools.
- 4 - Ms. Beebe - Kids and grandkids go to Groveport. Grandson got moved from Central and I am upset by him getting moved. I do PTO at an elem. Starting PTO booster in MSS. Involved with GYAA asso. Had zero conversation with admin in schools. Middle school admin are dedicated and concerned about teachers morale if admin changes.
- 5 - Ms. Owens - Disappointed in ELA student testing in the same day during ELA testing. Son took both parts in 1 day.
- 6 - Mr. Owens - 9th grader. Had to retake the ELA test. Took both parts in one day. Was not fair.
- 7 - Ms. Jones - 3rd grader at Sedalia. I am gifted reading. I want to stay in my homeroom for gifted. I have made many friends and feel comfortable with my peers. I am scoring well and doing great.
- 8 - Ms. Simcox - Concerned about vote about OFCC building project. I am concerned about community not coming out. Not many community came out and that is sad. Educational portion was not sound. No data given. Bigger schools are not good for kids and their learning. Community support was not there. Mostly just administrators. Financially sound - I understand that the State is giving 53% of the money, but we need to get support for the plan.

E. Recognitions and Presentations

Presentation, Recognition: 1. Presentation of Service Awards for Outstanding Service to the District

Recognition: 2. End of the Year Recognitions - Student Advisory Councils, Safety Committee, Diversity and Engagement Committee, and Celebration of Black History Leaders

Action 24-195: Motion for 10 minute recess beginning at 8:15 P.M. Reconvene at 8:26 P.M.

Motion by LaToya Dowdell-Burger, second by Kathleen Walsh.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Absent from vote: Libby Gray

Recognition: 3. Groveport Madison Local School District Recognizes Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Older Americans Month, Mental Health Awareness Month, Jewish American Heritage Month

Discussion: 4. Teaching and Learning Update - Anika Moore from ODE and the Math Dept was here to talk about MMR class.

Action 24-196: 5. Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower to Enter into Executive Session at 9:03 P.M to discuss legal updates.

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, in accordance with ORC 121.22

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Reconvene from Executive Session at 9:25 P.M.

Discussion: 5. Innovation and Accountability Update - CTE Grant was awarded to us.

F. Board Items

Discussion: 1. School Choice Ohio - Colton Henson is presenting. Discusses empowering families with excellent options for school vouchers. Worried about public school body taking away option for their students if that student wants to leave.

Presentation, Report: 2. Safety Committee Update - Seth - impressed with Lead the Way and Helping Hands.

Discussion, Report: 3. Student Advisory Committee Update - E.S. - Libby talked with the kids about classroom environment. What teachers are doing. Fairness with bookbags and hooks. How to learn was discussed. Need better lighting. H.S. - Seth talked about ideas that are coming from HS students. How to provide additional engagement with all students. "CRAZY CRUISER" section for sporting events. M.S. - Latoya talked with kids about creating a better culture for all students.

Discussion: 4. Education Trust - Golf Outing Update

Discussion: 5. Student Achievement Liaison - Ms. Walsh - 2024 OSBA Student Achievement Fair Capital Conf. Fair is scheduled for Nov 11, 2024 at Convention Center. Deadlines are approaching soon.

Action 24-197: 6. Approve OSBA Policy IGBEA-R- Second Read

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve OSBA Policy IGBEA-R.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Abstain: John Kershner

Action 24-198: 7. Approve OSBA Policy GBCBA and GBCBA-E Disclosure/Consent Form - Second Read

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve Policy GBCBA and GBCBA-E Disclosure/Consent Form

Motion by Seth Bower, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Seth Bower

No: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

Abstain: Libby Gray

Action 24-199: Motion for 5 minute recess beginning at 10:05 P.M. Reconvene at 10:12 P.M.

Motion by Kathleen Walsh, second by John Kershner

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Report: 8. Board Leadership Institute Report - Went to a conference. Great sessions. Cell phone policy, HB 254, Internet safety policy coming and SB 168.

G. Consent Agenda

Action 24-200: 1. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda according to recommended action. Remove Items #2 and #3- to be voted on separately

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:

5. Approve Service Agreement with St. Vincent Prep Academy

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Board of Education approve the Service Agreement with St. Vincent Prep Academy as an accredited mental health service provider for special education students.

6. Approve Senior High School Class trip to Kings Island

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Senior High School Class Trip to Kings Island

7. Approve Boys Basketball Summer Trips

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Boys Basketball summer trips.

8. Approve Girls Basketball Summer Trip

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Girls Basketball trip to West Liberty

9. Approve Middle School Trip to Washington DC

Resolution: The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the May 15-18, 2024 Middle School trip to Washington, D.C.

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 24-201: 2. Approve the minutes for the April Meetings - Ms. Walsh would like to do not see discussion of Bd on minutes. The Treasurer recommends the Groveport Madison Local Board of Education approve the minutes for the April meetings

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 24-202: 3. Approve Certificated Personnel Items

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

Motion by Seth Bower, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: John Kershner, Kathleen Walsh

H. Executive Session

Action 24-203: 1. Recommendation to Adjourn to Executive Session at 10:22 pm.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, or demotion of a public employee of the District in accordance with ORC 121.22

Motion by Libby Gray, second by John Kershner.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

I. Reconvene Open Session

Information: 1. Reconvene Open Session at 11:26 pm. Mr. Kerschner left the meeting

J. Superintendent's Agenda

Action 2024-204: 1. Approve Correction to the 2023-2024 Program of Studies Booklet - Mr. John Kershner left. He has an early meeting tomorrow.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the correction to the 2023-2024 Program of Studies booklet regarding the 2024 Valedictorian Selection Criteria. The 2023/2024 Program of Studies that was approved on February 8, 2023 did not differentiate between the Valedictorian selection criteria for the Class of 2027 versus the Class of 2024, 2025, and 2026. The classes of 2024, 2025 and 2026 were grandfathered in with the previous selection criteria. The information was corrected in the 2024/2025 Program of Studies that was Board approved in February 2024, but needs to be corrected for the Class of 2024.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-205: 2. Approve Payment to NPi Audio Visual Solutions - GRANT PAID

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve payment to NPi Audio Visual Solutions for the following equipment: broadcast studio hardware, multiple inside-of-studio and outside-of-studio cameras, animated graphics software, remote systems, and other broadcast equipment.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: Kathleen Walsh

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Presentation, Report: 3. Business Services Update - Mr. Hausmann - Doing RFP for food service it will go out in May. Discussing CEP program that would provide all students free breakfast and lunch. Due by June 30th. Terry from CBS giving transportation update -

Report: 4. Diversity, Engagement and Human Capital Report

Action, Discussion 2024-206: 5. Approve Job Descriptions - Remove the Employee Relations Specialist job description.

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve three new job descriptions - Gifted Intervention Specialist, Director of Special Projects, and Curriculum Coordinator

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: Kathleen Walsh

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-207: 6. Ratify Memorandum of Understanding between Groveport Madison School District and the City of Groveport Police Department regarding the School Resource Officer Program (SRO Program)

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education ratify the Memorandum of Understanding between Groveport Madison School District and the City of Groveport Police Department regarding the School Resource Officer Program (SRO Program).

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Abstain: Seth Bower

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-208: 7. Approve Memorandum of Agreement between the Board and GMLEA

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Groveport Madison Local Board of Education and the Groveport Madison Local Education Association regarding offering a Mathematical Modeling and Reasoning (MMR) course to high school students depending on staff and student interest. The Department of Education and Workforce requires teachers to be training in order for the District to offer a MMR course.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

K. Treasurer's Agenda

Procedural: 1. Treasurer's Reports

Presentation: 2. District Savings Report

Action 2024-209: 3. Approve the Five Year Forecast

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Five Year Forecast

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-210: 4. Approve Transfers, Requests and Advances

Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education authorize the Treasurer to approve the transfers, requests and advances necessary to close out funds and provide resources for obligations.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-211: 5. Approve the Administrator Salary Schedules for Years 2025, 2026, and 2027

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Administrator Salary Schedules for Years 2025, 2026 and 2027

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-212: 6. Approve the District Service Center Salary Schedules for Years 2025, 2026, and 2027

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the District Service Center Salary Schedules for Years 2025, 2026, and 2027

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Abstain: Libby Gray

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-213: 7. 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

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

Action 2024-214: 8. Approve Payment for Auditorium Manager

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Board of Education approve \$25/hour payment to a district employee for auditorium manager work as a result of outside building rental agreements.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: Kathleen Walsh

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner

L. Comments, Announcements, and Other Business

Information: 1. Board member comments and/or special announcements, and other business. - Special Board meeting May 20, 2024 at 7:30 pm.

M. Adjournment

Action 2024-216: 1. Motion to Adjourn
Adjournment at 12:13 am.

Motion by Seth Bower, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Not Present at Vote: John Kershner