

**Board of Education Regular Meeting (Wednesday, November 6, 2024)**

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**Members present**

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

**Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM****A. Opening Items**

Procedural: 1. Pledge of Allegiance at 7 pm.

Discussion: 2. Five Principles of Cruiser PLC

Procedural: 3. Roll Call - All here.

Discussion: 4. Review of Belief Statement and Board Norms

**B. Agenda Approval**

Action 2024-361: 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 2024-362: 2. Move that the Board of Education stop at 10 pm and conclude anything else at a next Board mtg.

Motion by Kathleen Walsh, second by John Kershner.

Final Resolution: Motion Fails

Yes: Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner

No: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower

**C. Call to Order****D. Recognitions and Presentations**

Action 2024-363, Recognition: 1. Approve Resolution in Recognition of Veterans Day observed on November 11th, celebrating the service of all U.S. military veterans  
The Board President recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education recognize November 11 as Veterans Day.

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 2024-364: 2. Adopt Resolution to Honor Native American Heritage Month

The Board President recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education recognize November as Native American Heritage Month.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by John Kershner.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action 2024-365: 3. Approve Proclamation to Recognize Ohio Public Education Appreciation Week

The Board President recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Proclamation to Recognize Ohio Public Education Appreciation Week

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Presentation: 4. United Way Success by Third Grade Presentation

Discussion, Presentation: 5. Payment in Lieu - Transportation Director

Action 2024-366: Motion to move Payment in Lieu item to next meeting.

The Board President recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education move Payment in Lieu discussion to the December Board meeting.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

#### 6. Longitudinal State Report Card Data

Discussion: 7. "Portrait of a Cruiser Graduate" and District Strategic Plan - 5 areas of the plan. 1. Coachable 2. Collaborative 3. Communicative 4. Critical Thinking 5. Goal Oriented

District Strategic Plan - 4 Priority's

1. Safety and Facilities Enhancement

2. Academic Engagement

3. Communication Efficiency

4. Fiscal Transparency Endeavor

### E. Board Items

Report: 1. Student Advisory Application Review and Selection

Action 2024-367: Motion to table Student Advisory Application Review to next meeting.

The Board President recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education move Student Advisory Application Review to the December Board meeting.

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

Presentation: 2. Parent Advisory Council Update

Action 2024-368, Discussion: 3. Second Read of OSBA Policies/Policy Review and Vote (not specified)

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

Discussion: 4. Music Program - We know our marching band needs to be bigger. What are we doing for 5th and 6th grade and get bigger with grades. Need to encourage participation in band and choir. Will get asks and questions to Supt.

Discussion: 5. Board Diversity Training and Boardsmanship Training - Latoya - Can we get dates for these trainings? OSBA training for Boardsmanship Training. Jan 13th is good for Boardsmanship Training. Jan 27th is good for Board Diversity Training. Jan 6 is alternate date for either.

### F. Executive Session

Action 2024-369: 1. Recommendation to Adjourn to Executive Session at 9:21 pm. Reconvene at 9:50 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, meeting with the Board's legal counsel to discuss matters which are the subject of pending or imminent court action, and prepare for, conduct or review negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees concerning compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment, 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

### G. Reconvene Open Session

Action 2024-370: 1. Move to take a 10 minute recess at 10:07 pm.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

No: Kathleen Walsh

### H. Superintendent's Agenda

Action 2024-371: 1. Approve the October 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The Treasurer recommends the Groveport Madison Local Board of Education approve the minutes for the October 9, 2024 regular Board meeting .

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower  
No: John Kershner

The Treasurer recommends the Groveport Madison Local Board of Education approve the minutes for the October 9, 2024 regular Board meeting and correction 2024-343 and 2024-344 from Ms. Walsh

Motion by John Kershner, second by Seth Bower.  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Seth Bower, John Kershner  
No: Kathleen Walsh

Action 2024-372: 2. Approve Certificated Personnel Items

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, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Action 2024-373: 3. Approve Non Certificated Personnel Items

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, Kathleen Walsh, Seth Bower, John Kershner

Action 2024-374: 4. Approve Special Education Contracts

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the following Special Education contracts: H. Scott Lockett, dba Ben Nevis Consulting LLC. and two for Reach Educational Services.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.  
Final Resolution: Motion Carries  
Yes: LaToya Dowdell-Burger, Libby Gray, Kathleen Walsh, John Kershner  
Abstain: Seth Bower

Report: 5. Business Services Update

Report: 6. Human Resources Report

Action 2024-375: 7. Approve Bus Purchase

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the request to purchase one bus from Rush Truck Centers of Ohio, Inc.

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

Action 2024-376: 8. Approve GMHS Cheer Team Trips

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the GMHS Cheer Team Trips for January and March of 2025 as indicated on the attached form.

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

Action 2024-377: 9. Resolution Approving Agreement With Communications Design Group

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Resolution authorizing agreement with Communications Design Group ("CDG") for the Public Safety 400/800 MHz Coverage Project.

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 2024-378: 10. Resolution Approving RFP for Electric Service

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Resolution with META for electric service. The School District is a member of META Solutions, who will conduct a Request for Proposal ("RFP") for competitive electric service commencing on or about the meter read date of the July 2025 billing cycle.

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

**Action 2024-379: 11. Approve Release of Information to AEP Ohio**

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the AEP Ohio Customer Letter of Authorization for Release of Customer's Electric Utility Account Number/SDI and/or Historical Interval Data.

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 2024-380: 12. Approve GMLEA Memorandum of Agreement**

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the GMLEA Memorandum of Agreement.

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 2024-381: 13. Approve OAPSE Memorandum of Agreement**

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the OAPSE Memorandum of Agreement.

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 2024-382: 14. Approve OAPSE Memorandum of Agreement**

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the OAPSE Memorandum of Agreement.

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 2024-383: 15. Approve Job Descriptions**

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the attached job descriptions.

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 2024-384: 16. Approve Memorandum of Understanding with Lead The Way Learning Academy**

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Lead The Way Learning Academy.

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 2024-385: 17. Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Greater Columbus Community Helping Hands, Inc.**

The Superintendent recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement with Greater Columbus Community Helping Hands, Inc.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

**I. Treasurer's Agenda****Action 2024-386: 1. Five Year Forecast Report**

The Treasurer recommends that the Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education approve the Five Year Forecast as outlined in the attached report.

Motion by Libby Gray, second by Seth Bower.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Procedural: 2. Treasurer's Reports

**J. Comments, Announcements, and Other Business**

Discussion: 1. Board member comments and/or special announcements, and other business. Possible items to be added to next meeting's agenda. LaToya - Capital Conference starts Sunday thru Tuesday. Use the app. COSSBA sent email for National conference. John - Thank you for moving me to the right end so he can hear better.

**K. Settlement Agreement**

Action 2024-387: 1. Settlement Agreement

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the OCRC mediated employment settlement Re: In the Matter of Groveport Madison Local Schools Board of Education, Commission Matter No. 24, EMP-COL-51369. The OCRC mediated settlement in the above captioned matter has been reviewed as to form by legal counsel, and is ready for Board of Education approval. The Board hereby determines that this matter has been acted upon at a Regular Meeting, in compliance with 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Motion by John Kershner, second by Libby Gray.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

**L. Adjournment**

Action 2024-388: 1. Motion to Adjourn

10:51 pm

Motion by John Kershner, second by Seth Bower

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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