
GRAND LEDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education

Regular Meeting – August 22, 2016

MINUTES

President Wacyk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call by Superintendent Brian Metcalf indicated the presence of ***Board Members***: Linda Wacyk, Jon Shiflett, Jay Bennett, Kim Mulvenna, Brody Boucher and Beverly Winstanley ***Central Office Administrators***: Brian Metcalf, Mike Johnson, Nancy Rasinske, Sara Sutherland and Mark Deschaine. ***Others in Attendance***: Bill Fleener, Erica Ledesma, Shelby Logel, David Logel, Katie Logel, Abby Logel, Tammy Nyman and Kim Manning

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Mulvenna for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the August 22, 2016 Agenda Items, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mrs. Winstanley for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the August 22, 2016 Consent Agenda Item, as presented.

Included on the Consent Agenda were the meeting minutes of the July 11, 2016 Regular Meeting, the August 8, 2016 Work Session, the leaves of absence for Jennifer Pippin and Kimberly Shoup for the 2016-2017 school year, and the hiring of Anna Montgomery, Tasha Rios, David Logel, Reana Chope-Makliska, Rebecca Thebo, Tammy Nyman, and Anokhi Dharia.

The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. **Capitol Connections Report** - Mr. Bennett reported on the School Reform Office (SRO) and impending list of schools that could be closed. Nothing to impact Grand Ledge. Controversy is they are using M-STEP scores that they said would never be used. In closing, he advised he has the first meeting of the MSBO Government Relations Committee on Friday and will have more to information in next month's report.
- b. **Eaton RESA Report** – No report.

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- c. **Board Governance Committee Report** – President Wacyk reported the committee is reviewing what will be used to evaluate the superintendent and what the expectations will be. Dr. Metcalf’s evaluation goals and criteria will be finalized at the next meeting and he will be evaluated in October. They are further discussing new board member induction plans and how to help new members get a glimpse of our district that will help them “come up to speed” quickly.
 - d. **Grand Ledge Education Foundation Report** – No Report.
 - e. **Grand Ledge Parks & Recreation Report** – Mr. Boucher advised construction has started on the boat launch. They are planning some construction on the island park. He complimented the District on Parks & Recreation brochure and noted enrollment is up since the district took over.
- B. Superintendent’s Report** – Superintendent Metcalf reported the district will host Capturing Kids Hearts training tomorrow with approximately 40 staff members attending. He advised kindergarten enrollment is strong this year purporting a need to add two sections of kindergarten at Wacousta, each with approximately 26 students per sections. Parents of students assigned to Wacousta have received letters. Dr. Metcalf further commended the Wacousta Playground Committee noting construction dates for the Dream Depot 2.0 have been set for September 28 – October 2. In closing been advised the district is ready for the start of another great year.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment.

OLD BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF 2016-2017 STUDENT HANDBOOKS

Motion by Mr. Boucher, seconded by Mrs. Mulvenna for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the 2016-2017 Student Handbooks, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY PURCHASE

Motion by Mrs. Mulvenna, seconded by Mr. Bennett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the purchase of 60 iPad Air Computers, 60 iPad Cases, 2 iPad PowerSync Trays and 8 MacBook Pros in the amount of \$41,192, using Technology Capital Project Funds, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

B. REVISED SCHOOL CODE SECTION 280.1250

Motion by Mr. Shiflett, seconded by Mrs. Mulvenna for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve and authorize the Superintendent to determine and administer performance compensation, of no more than 2% of annual salary, for all district employees in accordance with Section 380.1250 of the Revised School Code.

The motion carried unanimously with member Brody Boucher abstaining from the vote in accordance with MCL380.4203.

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE AUDIENCE ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD AND STAFF

Superintendent Metcalf extended thanks to his cabinet, Steve Gabriel, Mike Johnson, Sara Sutherland, Nancy Rasinske and Mark Deschaine for all the work they have done this summer to bring several things to fruition including new teacher orientation, new teacher training set up for the next two years, implementing Ann Anderson and Sheila Bell to serve the district as reading and math coaches at the elementary level and the level training for 5D, which is the new teacher evaluation model that is geared toward professional growth, supporting teachers and helping them grow professionally. He noted several of these things were discussed with the board and further noted in the most recent Strategic Plan.

Member Boucher noted there will be a resolution forth coming to address the fact we had to remove our honorarium stickers from our school buses.

President Wacyk thanked everyone for all the work they have been doing noting it is very much appreciated. She expressed it is fun to hear about professional development that is really emerging from our Strategic Plan surveys and focus groups.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:

Jay Bennett, Secretary

Linda Wacyk, President