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**Grosse Pointe Board of Education  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 11, 2016  
Brownell Multipurpose Room  
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Gafa called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Board members present:** Trustees Gafa, Ismail, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Weertz

**Absent:** None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kathleen Abke

**Also Present:** Superintendent Niehaus; Deputy Superintendent Dean

**II. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA FOR JULY 11, 2016**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Pangborn

**Supported by:** Trustee Roeske

**THAT the Board Approve the Agenda for July 11, 2016.**

**Ayes:** Trustees Abke, Gafa, Ismail, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Weertz

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried by a 7 – 0 vote.**

**III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**A. Administration of Oath of Office for New Board Trustee**

Dr. Niehaus administered the Oath of Office to new Board Trustee Kathleen Abke. Board members congratulated Mrs. Abke and welcomed her to the Board.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JULY 11, 2016**

No speakers

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS**

No speakers

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JULY 11, 2016**

- A. Memberships
  - 1. Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB)
  - 2. Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSA)
- B. Resolution on Indemnification
  - 1. Liability Indemnification
  - 2. Asbestos Indemnification
    - a. Operation and Maintenance Employees
    - b. Designated Agent
- C. Fidelity and Treasurer's Bonds
- D. School Breakfast Program
- E. Designated Agent

- F. Debit/Credit Card Users
- G. Tuition Rates for 2016-2017

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Roeske

**Supported by:** Trustee Pangborn

**THAT the Consent Agenda listed above be approved as presented.**

**Ayes:** Trustees Abke, Gafa, Ismail, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Weertz

**Nays:** None

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda carried by a 7 – 0 vote.**

**VII. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JULY 11, 2016**

**A. Approval of Human Resources Report of July 11, 2016**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Roeske

**Supported by:** Trustee Weertz

Dr. Dean pointed out that there are three resignations on the report, one of which is Mr. Fenton, Deputy Superintendent of Business Affairs-Operations, effective September 30<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Dean gave a brief snapshot of the timeline and tools that will be used to search for Mr. Fenton's replacement. The target is to have a candidate for the Board by the August 22, 2016 meeting. Dr. Dean then went on to say that there have been new hires of teaching staff and secretarial. He announced that Holli McNally has been selected as the new Assistant Principal at Brownell Middle School.

Trustee Weertz asked if the district would preclude a CFO from a hospital or other organization. Dr. Dean answered no.

President Gafa welcomed Mrs. McNally into her new role. Mrs. McNally thanked the Board of Education and many other people who helped her along the way.

**THAT the Board approve the Human Resources Report for July 11, 2016.**

**Ayes:** Trustees Abke, Gafa, Ismail, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Weertz

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.**

**B. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of June 27, Regular Meeting Minutes of June 27, Special Meeting Minutes of June 29 and Special Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2016.**

No discussion

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Weertz

**Supported by:** Trustee Roeske

**THAT the Board approve the Special Meeting Minutes of June 27, Regular Meeting Minutes of June 27, Special Meeting Minutes of June 29 and Special Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2016.**

**Ayes:** Trustees Abke, Gafa, Ismail, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Weertz

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried by a 7 – 0 vote.**

**C. Approval of Resolution in Support of Regional Enhancement Millage**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Roeske

**Supported by:** Trustee Weertz

WRESA is putting a Ballot proposal for a 2 mil increase in Wayne County per Dr. Niehaus. In GPPSS case, we are a donor district. It could be that we would be providing 5 mil and getting in return 3.6 mil back. This Board has routinely voted against this millage and recommends that we do the same.

Roll Call Vote:	Trustee Gafa	No
	Trustee Weertz	No
	Trustee Ismail	No
	Trustee Summerfield	No
	Trustee Pangborn	No
	Trustee Roeske	No
	Trustee Abke	No

**THAT the Board approve the Resolution in Support of Regional Enhancement Millage**

**Motion failed by a 0 -7 vote.**

**VIII. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR AUGUST 8, 2016**

**A. Approval of Minutes for July 11, 2016**

**IX. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

**A. Residency Verification Update**

Dr. Dean reminded the Board that this is the time of the year when the 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade parents come into Administration Office to update their residency. This occurs for every child when they switch levels. This has to be completed in order for the student to receive their schedule and to start school on the first day back. Dr. Niehaus reminded the people that if they are unable to come during business hours of 8 – 4, Monday through Friday, they can call the Residency office to schedule an appointment outside of business hours.

**X. FUTURE MEETINGS**

- A. Regular Meeting of the Board, Monday, August 8, 2016, 6:00 p.m., Brownell Multipurpose Room
- B. Regular Meeting of the Board, Monday, August 22, 2016, 7:00 p.m., Brownell Multipurpose Room

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS**

George McMullen, Jr., GPW – spoke to the Board of Education and congratulated Mrs. McNally on her appointment of Assistant Principal to Brownell Middle School and also congratulating Trustee Abke. He wished all the best to Deputy Superintendent Fenton on his retirement. Mr. McMullen was asked at the open interviews for the vacant Trustee position if he would be running for the Trustee positions that becomes available in 2017 and yes he is interested and pleased to announce his candidacy for a seat on the Grosse Pointe Public School Board.

**XII. OTHER COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT**

Trustee Ismail congratulated Mrs. McNally and to Mrs. Abke, it is a pleasure to have you here. He also mentioned to Dr. Dean that he is glad we are reaching out to sectors beyond the schools. Replacement will be difficult as it is a terribly complex position.

Trustee Abke congratulated Mrs. McNally, she will do a great job. She mentioned that she is grateful for the appointment to sit on the Board and that she is going to work really hard to do this job well.

Trustee Pangborn also congratulated Mrs. McNally on coming to Brownell. It means extra special to her as a former Brownell student. She also congratulated Mrs. Abke on joining the Board. Have a nice summer.

Trustee Summerfield, no comment

Trustee Roeske, no comment

Trustee Weertz, no comment

Dr. Niehaus reminded those that are considering running for the vacant positions on the Board in 2017 that the deadline is July 26<sup>th</sup> to file an application with the City of Grosse Pointe Park. The President, Mrs. Gafa announced that there will be a Board Workshop on August 8<sup>th</sup> here in the Brownell Multipurpose Room. Dr. Niehaus also mentioned that he and Dr. Dean had an opportunity to read through the Workforce Dynamics survey and we are working to compile those. Over 1000 comments and well worth the effort to read through. The Community Survey has also come back. About 106 people took the Workforce Dynamics survey and on the Community survey, there were over 600 that responded. Thank you to the community for responding and thanks to our employees for taking the Workforce Dynamic survey. This gives us a lot of good feedback.

President Gafa welcomed Mrs. Abke to the Board. She believes she will do a fabulous job. She also congratulated Mrs. McNally. She reminded people that there is a lot going on during the summer, Honors Band Concert, Summer Select and That's Entertainment.

### **XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

President Gafa adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

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Cindy Pangborn, Board Secretary