

Grosse Pointe Board of Education

Minutes of the Work Session of July 23, 2012 Multi-Purpose Room, Brownell Middle School 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Gafa called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Board members present: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Valente and Walsh

Also Present: Superintendent Harwood; Deputy Superintendents Dean and Fenton; Directors Bur and Johnson

II. BOARD TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

Dr. Harwood said that the district has transitioned forward in its move to the Brownell Multi-Purpose Room for Board meetings. Brownell's new multi-purpose room offers a web friendly environment, is configured for WIFI and will be able to allow the Board to use their new district iPads to view board information on Google Docs. The August work session will set aside a brief training for those members unfamiliar with the iPad applications. Technology Manager, Steve Woloszyn, is available to Board members by phone or email for any technical support needed with their iPads.

Dr. Harwood thanked Steve Woloszyn and Dan Vicary for their support in the smooth transition to the Brownell site for board meetings.

III. PRESENTATION ON STUDENT DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Dr. Harwood shared that an additional administrative goal is to provide detailed student data to the Board and community. He noted that adding Mr. Greg Johnson to the team at central office will enhance the phenomenal group of educators that will be analyzing student demographic data. As Drs. Harwood and Dean, along with Mr. Johnson research and analyze the data in-depth, it can then be brought to the Board and community. The first 'wave' of that information was presented this evening. Dr. Dean walked the Board through a powerpoint highlighting that data with the help of Greg Johnson, Student Data Analysis Consultant, who has been reviewing and analyzing current data from student demographic information and creating 'easy to read' charts and graphs that show district trends. Detailed data was presented on: student enrollment by ethnicity and grade; an administrative and teacher summary by age, gender, ethnicity, years of service and degree; elementary and secondary student ethnicity; special education; free and reduced lunch in elementary grades; suspensions at the secondary level; student achievement data; GPA by high school building; and free and reduced lunch by building.

The Board had an opportunity to ask questions of Dr. Dean and Mr. Johnson as well as request additional data.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

V. ADJOURNMENT

President Gafa adjourned	I the meeting at 7:07	p.m.
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