



**Grosse Pointe Board of Education  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 19, 2013  
Brownell Middle School MultiPurpose Room  
260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Dindoffer called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Pangborn.

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

**Also Present:** Superintendent Harwood and Deputy Superintendents Dean and Fenton

**II. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA FOR AUGUST 19, 2013 7:00 P.M.**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Jakubiec

**Supported by:** Trustee Pangborn

**THAT the Board approve the agenda for the 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting of August 19, 2013 as presented.**

**Ayes:** Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried by a 7 – 0 vote.**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS**

George McMullen, Grosse Pointe Woods, spoke regarding the Board's lack of movement on the technology bond proposal. He asked the Board for direction and a timeline regarding this issue.

Andrew Dervan, Grosse Pointe Farms, shared his thoughts on the conflict caused by the scheduling of Board meetings on the same evenings as city and municipal meetings.

Lucia Bondenhorn, Grosse Pointe Farms, also shared her disappointment with the Board's delay in moving the technology bond proposal to the community for a November vote.

**IV. AGENDA ITEMS FOR AUGUST 19, 2013**

**A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of July 29, 2013 and August 12, 2013**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Gafa

**Supported by:** Trustee Summerfield

**THAT the Board approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 29 and August 12, 2013 as presented.**

**Ayes:** Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried by a 7 – 0 vote.**

**B. Approval of Human Resources Report for August 19, 2013**

Dr. Dean shared information presented on the Human Resources Report including the retirement of Linda Brock; the recall of seven classroom assistants; and the appointment of six teachers, two from recall and four new hires. He added that administration will continue to monitor class size numbers and new enrollments.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Gafa

**Supported by:** Trustee Pangborn

**THAT the Board approve the revised Human Resources Report for August 19, 2013 as presented.**

**Ayes:** Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

**Nays:** None

**Motion carried by a 7 – 0 vote.**

**C. Approval of Directive to Establish a Request for Proposal (RFP) on Technology Implementation Plan**

A recommendation was requested during a Board Meeting of the Whole on August 12, 2013 to develop a Request for Proposal to obtain professional expertise in the area of technology infrastructure and design that addresses the evolving technology needs of the district. Through this RFP process, the school district will identify the appropriate consultants/firm that can provide further assistance in the development of an architectural technology design that will support the current and future needs of the school system. These identified experts will also serve to provide project management associated with identified needs areas. The RFP will also seek the support and recommendation of the consultants/firm to provide a technology architectural design plan for the district and associated costs to each recommendation.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Jakubiec

**Supported by:** Trustee Gafa

**THAT the Board approve the Directive to the Grosse Pointe Public School System Administration to Establish a Request for Proposal (RFP) on a Technology Needs and Improvement with a Final Recommended Report to the Board of Education no later than November 1, 2013.**

Superintendent Harwood framed the process by which the Board and its Technology Committee arrived at this point of requesting administration to establish a request for proposal on a Technology Implementation Plan.

Trustee Jakubiec said that this (RFP) is a step that will give the Board the best direction possible as the district moves forward with a plan for technology implementation plans and needs.

Trustee Roeske said that as much as he understands the need for a confirmed analysis, he is in favor of expediting the process and will be voting against an RFP as a means of progress in this process.

Trustee Valente said she would like to clarify the request for an RFP with additional detail and an amended motion.

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Valente

**Supported by:** Trustee Pangborn

**THAT the Board approve the Directive to the Grosse Pointe Public School administration to establish a Request for Proposal (RFP) on an architectural technology plan including an evaluation of the total cost of ownership. The plan shall also identify options for streamlining and finding efficiencies from the original plan.**

Trustee Summerfield concurred with Trustee Roeske that there is no need to hire a consultant as the administration has already done the work and the community should be allowed to vote on a bond proposal in November.

**On Trustee Valente's amended motion to include the date of November 1, 2013,**

**It was Moved by:** Trustee Valente

**Supported by:** Trustee Jakubiec

**In a roll call vote,**

Trustee Dindoffer, Yes

Trustee Gafa, Yes

Trustee Jakubiec, Yes

Trustee Pangborn, Yes

Trustee Roeske, No

Trustee Summerfield, No

Trustee Valente, Yes

**Motion carried by a 5 – 2 vote.**

#### **V. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS**

Lucia Vonderhorn, Grosse Pointe Farms, spoke regarding redistricting six blocks in Grosse Pointe Farms for allowing those students to have a choice of attending either North or South High School.

Maria Thompson, Grosse Pointe Shores, also shared her thoughts on the redistricting of the north-end Grosse Pointe Farms students.

Jackie Daugherty, Grosse Pointe Farms, shared her thoughts on the ability for north-end Grosse Pointe Farms students having the option to attend either North or South High School.

Tracy Gusmano, Grosse Pointe City, shared ideas on rezoning a certain 10-block area in Grosse Pointe Farms to allow those students to attend Grosse Pointe South High School.

Gina Liverpool, Grosse Pointe Farms, spoke about residency requirements for students in the northern section of Grosse Pointe Farms having an option to attend either North or South High School.

Tammy Tedesco, Grosse Pointe Park, said she supported the technology initiative presented.

Christine Crossley, Grosse Pointe Farms, said she was in agreement regarding redistricting in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Andrew Dervan, Grosse Pointe Farms, thanked the Board for voting on the RFP proposal for technology implementation.

President Dindoffer announced a Policy Committee Meeting on Thursday, August 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the

Administration Building Board Room and a Regular Meeting of the Board on Monday, August 26, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Brownell MultiPurpose Room.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

President Dindoffer adjourned the meeting at 8:16p.m.

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Lois Valente, Board Secretary