

Grosse Pointe Board of Education Minutes of the 7:15 P.M. Regular Meeting of July 22, 2013 Library Media Center, Grosse Pointe North High School 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Dindoffer called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Alligiance was led my Trustee Gafa.

II. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA FOR JULY 22, 2013 AT 7:15 P.M.

It was Moved by: Trustee Gafa Supported by: Trustee Roeske

THAT the Board approve the agenda for the 7:15 P. M. Regular Meeting of July 22, 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

There were no public comments at this time.

IV. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JULY 22, 2013, 7:15 P.M. MEETING

A. Approval of Human Resources Report for July 22, 2013

Dr. Dean shared information from the Human Resources Report that included the appointments of seven instructional staff members and one technology staff member. It also included the retirements of two instructional personnel, Mary Ann Thibodeau and Robert Thies and one classroom assistant, Jane Spaulding.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Gafa

THAT the Human Resources Report for July 22, 2013 be approved as presented.

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

Navs: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

B. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of June 24 and 28, 2013

Board minutes from the regular meetings of June 24 and 28, 2013 were presented for approval.

It was Moved by: Trustee Pangborn

Supported by: Trustee Gafa

THAT the regular meeting minutes of June 24 and 28, 2013 be approved as presented.

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

Nays: None

Minutes of Minutes of July 22, 2013, 7:15 p.m. Regular Meeting Page 1 Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

V. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

A. Technology Planning Update

Superintendent Harwood shared information that included how the district was planning to prepare teachers for the upcoming proposed technology bond. He emphasized the importance of preparing the teaching staff well in advance of the implementation of a bond passing. Gary Abud and Nick Provenzo presented a plan of action that would help train teachers to be ready to use the new technology with students in the classrooms. They presented a five-step process for instruction and learning.

B. Review of Board Policies (first reading)

Trustee Roeske briefly summarized the following policies being brought to the Board for a first review before the vote on July 29, 2013.

- 1) Policy 2260, Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity
- 2) Policy 2271, Postsecondary (Dual) Enrollment Option Program
- 3) Policy 5136, Personal Communication Devices
- 4) Policy 5340.01, Concussions and Athletic Activities
- 5) Policy 5515.01, Safe Operation of Motorized Utility Vehicles by Students
- 6) Policy 6110, Grant Funds

Trustee Jakubiec requested that specific group information associated with Title 36, as referenced in Policy 2260, also be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

George McMullen, Grosse Pointe Woods, spoke on the bond proposal on the agenda for vote at next week's meeting.

Diane Karabetsos, Grosse Pointe Woods, shared her thoughts about the proposed bond issue and district residency information.

William Broman, Grosse Pointe Woods, added additional thoughts on the proposed bond issue.

VII. FUTURE MEETINGS

- **A.** Board Policy Committee Meeting, Tuesday, July 23, 2013, 6:00 p.m., Board Room, 389 St. Clair
- **B.** Regular Meeting of the Board, Monday, July 29, 2013, 7:00 p.m., Brownell MultiPurpose Room

VIII. MOTION TO CONVENE A CLOSED SESSION TO REVIEW A LEGAL OPINION

It was Moved by: Trustee Pangborn

Prior to receiving support of the motion, Board members noted the reasons they would vote against moving into a closed session to discuss a legal opinion regarding the Superintendent's evaluation process.

As Board members began a roll call vote to move into a closed session, Superintendent Harwood noted that Mr. Gierak, legal counsel, who would have been joining the Board in closed session, had reason that precipitated his need to leave the meeting early and he was unavailable to join the Board in the proposed closed session.

In response to that information, President Dindoffer noted that there would no longer be a reason to vote to move into a closed session.

It was then Moved by: Trustee Roeske

Supported by: Trustee Gafa

THAT the Board table the Closed Session to discuss a legal opinion regarding the Superintendent's evaluation.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

President Dindoffer adjourned the meeting at 8:55p.m.

Lois Valente, Board Secretary