

Greenville Public Schools

Regular Board of Education Meeting

February 13, 2023 – 7:00pm

Members Present: J. Anderson, B. Gardner, M. Huff, R. Lentz, C. Mahar, K. Wierda, and M. Wolverton
Members Absent: None
Administration: W. Roedel, M. McCullough, L. Steed, M. Andres, M. Blaszczyński, J. Mahar, A. Ewing, D. Kuk, and M. Walsh
Also Present: Student Representative S. Gardner and approximately 30 members of the public
Media: Cory Smith, Daily News

1. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kire Weirda called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A roll call for attendance was completed.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

22/23-169 Since there is no objection, the agenda was approved by consensus as presented.
Motion carried.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT

Director of Finance Matt Andres provided the Board with a 2022-2023 General Fund Budget Amendment and a 2022-2023 Food Service Budget Amendment. ***These will be action items during the regular March Board of Education meeting.***

4. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

- The Board took comments from the public.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

22/23-170 Motion by M. Huff, supported by J. Anderson, that the following items are approved under the consent agenda as presented.

- A. Minutes of February 13, 2023 Special Meeting
- B. Ratification of Bills and Payroll Vouchers – January 2023: \$5,645,738.13
- C. Donation – Kevin McGraw, Founder of School Emergency Response Coalition (SERC): AED & Supplies valued over \$2,000

Ayes: 7
Noes: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS *(Generally, these items are for discussion only; no action is requested at the meeting.)*

A. Student Representative Report – Sophie Gardner

Student Representative Sophie Gardner presented a brief update from the student body. Highlights throughout the District included the Frozen Jackets taking the plunge into Turk Lake for Special Olympics on February 4 and raising over \$7,000. The GPS OMers did a fantastic job at the regional completion on Saturday, and two teams are advancing to the state finals. Baldwin Heights held a successful talent show in January, Zero the Hero visited, Mr. Aittama (GHS teacher) built snowball targets for students, and Walmart donated \$300 to their PTO. Cedar Crest students and staff celebrated the 100th day of school, and students across the school have begun working on clay projects in art classes. Walnut Hills held the Chinese New Year Celebration on February 3, and 2nd-5th graders in the Immersion program performed; the school is also preparing for their PTO fundraiser, which will be a Dance-a-thon on Friday. GMS has several active clubs, including a Dungeons & Dragons Club, a new singing club for 6th graders, and a Girls Who Code club will be starting soon. At Satterlee, students are following a February Kindness calendar. At GHS, the Boys' Varsity Basketball team beat Lowell, Varsity Wrestling won districts, and nine individual wrestlers qualified to compete at regionals. Snowcoming was last week and SAT preparation is underway.

B. Superintendent Report – Wayne Roedel

Superintendent Wayne Roedel announced that the Transitional Kindergarten/Kindergarten registration would begin March 1st, and a postcard was sent out to district residents regarding the steps to register! Superintendent Roedel also shared the ***Inspiring Excellence*** document, which highlights a variety of GPS celebrations. Two staff members have completed MSBO certifications; Ashley Ray has earned a Pupil Accounting Specialist certification, and Dan Kuk has earned a Child Nutrition Director certification.

Superintendent Roedel also stated that a Board Policy Meeting will be taking place in the near future to discuss the pros and cons of livestreaming/recording board meetings. If the Board decides to go forward, we will develop an implementation plan collaboratively. We want to ensure that we have the necessary equipment to do this quickly and efficiently, making it a positive experience for viewers.

C. Assistant Superintendent Report – Matt McCullough

Assistant Superintendent Matt McCullough invited the District's Director of Technology, Alex Ewing, to provide an update on the district-wide PA system and the new features that will be available in each school building with the new system. Assistant Superintendent Matt McCullough invited the Walnut Hills Elementary Principal, Jennifer Mahar, to present an upcoming EFG OUR3 funded Chicago Trip with their Chinese Immersion students.

D. Assistant Superintendent of HR & Operations Report – Lisa Steed

Assistant Superintendent of HR & Operations Lisa Steed provided a full staffing update for the District as well as brief department updates.

E. Kitchen Expansion Proposal for Elementary Buildings – Dan Kuk

Food & Nutrition Director Dan Kuk presented a kitchen expansion proposal for all four (4) GPS Elementary buildings, and Food Service funds would fund these expansions. ***This will be an action item during the regular March Board of Education meeting.***

F. 2023-2024 District Calendar – Matt McCullough

Assistant Superintendent Matt McCullough presented the draft 2023-2024 District Calendar. ***This will be an action item during the regular March Board of Education meeting.***

G. Education Foundation of Greenville (EFG) Update – Kire Wierda

Board President Kire Wierda announced that the second Dancing with the Local Stars would be held on Saturday, April 15, the cast has been released, and tickets are now on sale. The Yellow Jacket Challenge (5K Run / 1 Mile Walk) will be held on Sunday, April 23, and registration is open. Both of these events are fundraisers for EFG; please help spread the word as all funds generated continue to support GPS staff and students.

H. Legislative Update – Jim Anderson

Jim Anderson provided a brief legislative update.

7. ACTION ITEMS *(Generally, these items were discussed at a previous meeting as information items.)*

- 22/23-171 Motion by J. Anderson, supported by B. Gardner, to approve the purchase of a van for the Food & Nutrition Department from Trevor Merren Auto in Greenville, Michigan, for the amount of \$50,310.00.**

Ayes: 7
Noes: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

- 22/23-172 Motion by C. Mahar, supported by J. Anderson, to approve the pre-selected and vetted specific topics from Navigate 360 (Michigan Cares) for grades 6-12 as recommended by the social-emotional committee and champion teams.**

Ayes: 7
Noes: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

8. UPCOMING DATES

A. Curriculum Committee Meeting	Monday, February 27, CSF, 3:00pm
B. Finance Committee Meeting	Wednesday, March 8, CSF, 5:30pm
C. Next Regular Board Meeting	Monday, March 13, CSF, 7:00pm
D. MCSBA Spring Meeting	Monday, April 24, Lakeview High School 6pm – Tour, 6:30pm – Dinner, & 7pm – Meeting

9. ADJOURNMENT

- 22/23-173 Since all items on the agenda were covered, the regular Board of Education Meeting was adjourned at 8:27pm.**
Motion carried.

Maureen E. Wolverton, Secretary