

Minutes of The Greenspire School  
Board of Education - Regular Meeting  
November 12th, 2018

- I. **Call to Order & Roll Call:** President Kurt Sanford called the meeting to order at 5:59p.m. The meeting was held in Spruce Hall. Present: Kurt Sanford, Steve Cousins, Matthew Missias, Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth, Tara Ward, Meagan Batdorff. Absent: Laura Oblinger. Superintendent Kevin Kelly was also present.
- II. **Changes or Additions to Agenda:** Motion by Sanford to table action item IXb seconded by Missias; voice vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays; motion carried.
- III. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Ward, seconded by Ringsmuth; voice vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays; motion carried.
- IV. **Public Comment:** None
- V. **Recognitions:** None
- VI. **Board Correspondence:** Kelly distributed correspondence from Greenspire parent Lori Barnes.
- VII. **Presentations:**
  - a. Paul Yeager, from AccessPoint Human Resources, introduced a new evaluation tool used by AccessPoint to address services provided for Greenspire for accountability reasons. Yeager also provided a report that includes goals and agenda items for the next year.
  - b. Tim Zlystra, audit manager from Maner Costerisan, reviewed Greenspire's FY17-18 audited financial statement.
- VIII. **Reports:**
  - a. Superintendent's Report: Kelly updated the board on enrollment and recent student activities.
  - b. President's Report: Sanford expressed support for the student injured during the Haunted Forrest. He expressed gratitude to the staff for their time spent managing the incident.
  - c. Treasurer's Report: Batdorff reported that there will be a budget amendment next month. Current financials are on par with no unexpected costs.
  - d. Committee Reports:
    - i. Facilities/Finance: Sanford reported on site visits for high school. Seven sites were visited; two appear more viable than the others. Realtor Dan Steibel will set up a meeting with Morgan Farms in learn more information. Sanford also reported that the exterior doors of Maple North need updating. Sanford reminded the board of the March mortgage renewal. Ward stated that TCAPS is considering expanding Glen Loomis through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. This would increase the level of competition for Greenspire enrollment.

- ii. Personnel: Babin-Ringsmuth reported an increase in substitute pay. Committee discussed how best to provide evaluation for superintendent. Babin-Ringsmuth also reported the need to have health insurance costs defined for budgeting purposes next year. New staff hires were also reviewed and praised.
- iii. Curriculum: None
- iv. Faculty summary: Francisco reported that the staff is excited for the potential GVSU authorization decision.
- v. Family Council: Kelly reported that the council has expanded with parents that are motivated to build on the previous successes.

**IX. Discussion Items:**

- a. Federal CSP Grants: Batdorff explained details of the CSP Grants. Grants can be used for expansion, replication or a new start up if based on existing model. She encourages Greenspire to apply for an expansion grant for the high school. Grant money can be used for programmatic and curriculum purposes. Announcements for grants will be announced in January.

**X. Action Items**

- a. Designation of Charter Authorizer- July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2026: Motion by Cousins to designate Grand Valley State University as Greenspire's charter authorizer, seconded by Batdorff; voice vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays; motion carried. Missias abstained.
- b. Renewal of Board Membership: L. Oblinger-January 1. 2019 through December 31, 2021. Action item tabled.

**XI. Public Comment**

- XII. Adjournment:** Motion by Batdorff to adjourn meeting, seconded by Cousins; voice vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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Sarah Payette  
Recording Secretary