



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting – February 15, 2021 – 5:30 pm

### Approved Minutes

- I. **Call to Order & Roll Call.** Vice President Babin-Ringsmuth called the meeting to order of The Greenspire School at 5:34 p.m. The meeting was held remotely via Zoom.
  - i. Board Members Present: Vice Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth, Meagan Batdorff, Steve Cousins, Ward Kuhn, Tara Ward
  - ii. Board Members Absent: President Kurt Sanford, Marco Cabrera,
  - iii. Administrators Present: Superintendent Robert Walker, Recording Secretary Sarah Payette
  
- II. **Changes or Additions to the Agenda** - None
  
- III. **Approval of Previous BOE Meeting Minutes**
  - a. Approval for previous BOE minutes  
Motion: Ward  
Support: Batdorff  
Motion passed: 5-0
  
- IV. **Public Comment** – none
  - a. Feedback – Greenspire School Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan - none
  
- V. **Recognitions** - none
  
- VI. **Board Correspondence** - none
  
- VII. **Presentations** -
  - a. HIV/AIDS Education Unit (Katie Tomczyk, PE/Health Teacher) - Tomczyk reported the requirement of covering HIV content each year. School board approval and two public hearings are mandatory before the HIV curriculum is taught. These will be held in March. Curriculum materials will be available for review.
  
- VIII. **Reports**
  - a. Superintendent's Report – Walker reviewed pace of staff vaccinations, our current learning plan, high school development and enrollment. Walker also explained the energy efficiency loan taken out last year and relevant complications with the State of MI Department of Treasury.
    - i. Report on Two-Way Interaction (COVID-19 Learning Plan) - We continue to report in-person and remote learning. Walker provided attendance updates for both groups of students.
  - b. President's Report – Babin-Ringsmuth expressed gratitude for the constant flexibility toward the parents and students. Babin-Ringsmuth also received positive feedback about the matriculation agreement with Old Mission Peninsula School.

- c. Treasurer's Report – Batdorff reported adoption of amended budget. She highlighted that high school expenditures are now part of the line items. Batdorff provided a fund balance report. We continue to wait on COVID funding.
- d. Authorizers Report – Missias reviewed progress toward ECLP goals. Board vacancies and renewals should be put in front of GVSU before March 9th. Upcoming board training is available and attendance encouraged. Board of Education meetings will resume in person in April.
- e. Committee Reports
  - i. Facilities & Finance – Salary proposals for staffing of the high school were discussed.
  - ii. School Expansion
    - a. CSP Grant – Batdorff reported enrollment has begun. course offerings and descriptions have been developed. The facilities lease has been approved for entry on June 1. Parent tours are being scheduled. Batdorff is working on a revised budget from planning period to the implementation period. Marketing ideas are needed. Staffing positions are getting ready to be posted in March.
  - iii. Personnel – Babin-Ringsmuth - High school postings and hiring processes were discussed. A pay band was discussed for both schools.
  - iv. Curriculum/School Improvement – Committee reviewed PBL modules, high school enrollment and curriculum. NWEA testing was discussed and growth was noted in most subjects. Access to the school improvement platform has not yet been provided.
  - v. Faculty Summary – None
  - vi. Student Support Council – None

#### **IX. Discussion Items**

- a. Required HIV/AIDS Education Unit - Discussion about curriculum ensued. Clarifications regarding presentation of materials to parents are still being sought. Approval should be concluded by April.
- b. Election of Board Officers - Board discussed officer positions and future commitments.
  - i. President - Sanford is ready to step down as his residency continues to be overseas. Babin-Ringsmuth is willing to step into this position.
  - ii. Vice-President - This position needs to be filled.
  - iii. Treasurer - Batdorff is willing to remain in current position.
  - iv. Secretary - Ward is willing to remain in current position.

#### **X. Action Items**

- a. Approval of COVID-19 Renewal Extended Learning Plan  
Motion: Cousins  
Support:Kuhn  
Motion passed: 5-0
- b. Approval 2020-2021 Budget Amendment  
Motion: Cousin  
Support: Kuhn  
Motion passed: 5-0
- c. Approval of Emergency Operations Plan 2020-2021  
Motion: Cousins  
Support: Ward

Motion Passed: 5-0

- d. Approval of 2020-2021 Course Catalog  
Motion: Cousin  
Support: Batrdorff  
Motion passed: 5-0

**XI. Public Comment** - none

**XII. Adjournment**

7:27 pm

Support: Kuhn

Motion passed: Ward

Motion passed: 5-0

Next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 5:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Ward, School Board Secretary