



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting – March 21, 2022 – 5:30 pm

### Approved Minutes

- I. **Call to Order & Roll Call.** President Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm. The meeting was held in Spruce Hall with a remote option via Zoom.
  - i. Board Members: Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth, Marco Cabrera, Tara Ward, Steve Cousins, Kurt Sanford attending virtually as a non-voting member
  - ii. Board Members Absent: Ward Kuhn, Meagan Batdorff
  - iii. Administrators Present: Superintendent Robert Walker, Recording Secretary Sarah Payette
  
- II. **Changes or Additions to the Agenda -**
  - a. Motion to move X. b. to XI. b.  
Motion: Cousins  
Support: Cabrera  
Motion Passed: 4-0
  - b. Motion to add XI. c Approval to Sign and Submit 10-23 Application  
Motion: Cabrera  
Support: Cousins  
Motion Passes: 4-0
  - c. Motion to add XI. d Approval of State Aid Note  
Motion: Ward  
Support: Cousins  
Motion Passes: 4-0
  
- III. **Approval of February 21, 2022 BOE Meeting Minutes**
  - a. Approval for previous BOE minutes as written  
Motion: Ward  
Support: Cabrera  
Motion passed: 4-0
  
- IV. **Public Comment - None**
  
- V. **Recognitions - None**
  
- VI. **Board Correspondence - None**
  
- VII. **Presentations**
  - a. Sex Education Advisory Board (Curriculum Spring 2022) Katie Butera presented materials of required materials, parent and guardian notification, and approval of 22-23 curriculum. Public meetings will be on Zoom. Butera reviewed parent and

guardian rights. Resources for middle school curriculum were reviewed. Discussion ensued.

## **VIII. Reports**

- a. Superintendent's Report – Walker reviewed district enrollment and job postings. Summer day camp programs remain open with some available spots. Tours are still provided for both schools despite full enrollment for next year. COVID-19 dashboard no longer needs to be provided. Walker updated the board on loans and suggested an amendment to the implementation budget due to these loans. Dual enrollment is currently being discussed with NMC to ensure policies match. High school pathways have been branded and updated. Walker review facilities for the district. Field trips within the middle school are being planned for spring, per grade level. Greenspire's 10 year anniversary will be held May 21st from 4-6pm.
- a. President's Report - Babin-Ringsmuth expressed gratitude for the board members involved in recruitment of board members. Tax exemption form was explained, along with the process.
- b. Treasurer's Report - Batdorff wasn't in attendance to present.
  - i. CSP Grant
- c. Authorizer's Report - GVSU's representative, Matt Missias, reported upcoming board receptions. Annual board member survey is due at the end of the week.
- d. Faculty summary: On behalf of the district, Claire Alexander, Middle School literature and speech teacher invited board members to attend. Alexander requested involvement in future hiring processes for the upcoming school year. Alexander also acknowledged the district's supply of substitute teachers, specifically Rosie at the high school

## **IX. Consent Agenda**

- a. Committee Reports
  - i. Facilities & Finance
  - ii. School Expansion
  - iii. Personnel
  - iv. Curriculum/School Improvement Team
  - v. Student Support CouncilApproval of consent agendas of those provided  
Motion: Cabrera  
Support: Cousins  
Passed: 4-0

## **X. Discussion Items**

- a. Sex Education Advisory Board (Curriculum Spring 2022) -  
Walker expressed committee cohesion for all decisions made.
- b. Dual Enrollment Policy - High School  
Walker explained the details of Dual Enrollment with NMC. Student expectations were explained in regards to grades and class payment Cousins recommended consultation with the school attorney. Consideration of the timing of fees is being considered.

## **XI. Action Items**

- a. Approval of Board and Committee Meeting Calendar
  - i. Committee Meeting Calendar
  - ii. School Academic Calendar 2022-2023Motion: Cousins  
Motion Support: Cabrera  
Motion Passed: 4-0
- b. Nomination of School Board Nominee, Marguerite Cotto and Term Renewal of Tara Ward and Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth-  
Motion: Cousins  
Support: Ward  
Motion Passed: 4-0
- c. Approval to Sign and submit 10-23 Tax Exempt Application  
Motion: Cousins  
Support: Cabrera  
Motion Passed: 4-0
- d. Approval of State Aid Note - Walker explained the details of this note. Cousins suggested the finance committee develop a strategic plan  
Motion: Cousins  
Support: Cabrera  
Motion Passed: 4-0

**XII. Public Comment - none**

**XIII. Adjournment into Closed Session per Dr. Walker's request at 7:05 pm**

Motion to adjourn: Cousins

Support: Ward

Motion passed: 4-0

- a. Quarterly Superintendent Feedback and Review Session  
Walker relayed accomplishments and concerns over the last quarter. Discussion ensued.

**XIV. Reconvene Open Session**

Motion: Cabrera

Support: Cousins

Motion passed: 4-0


**XV. Adjournment**

Motion: Cabrera

Support: Cousins

Motion passed: 4-0 at 8:13 pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tara Ward". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tara" and last name "Ward" clearly distinguishable.

Tara Ward, School Board Secretary

Next meeting is scheduled for April 18th, 5:30pm in Spruce Hall