



BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting – September 12, 2022 – 5:30 pm

Unapproved Minutes

I. Call to Order & Roll Call. President Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm. The meeting was held in Spruce Hall with a non-voting remote option via Zoom.

i. Board Members: Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth, Ward Kuhn, Tara Ward, Marco Cabrera

ii. Board Members absent: Kurt Sanford, Meagan Batdorff

iii. Administrators Present: Superintendent Robert Walker, Recording Secretary Emily Feaster

II. Changes or Additions to the Agenda - None

a. Motion to Keep Agenda as posted

Motion: Kuhn

Motion support: Ward

Motion passed: 4-0

III. Approval of August 22, 2022, BOE Meeting Minutes

a. Approval for previous BOE minutes with Batdorff's role title adjusted under item 8.

Motion: Kuhn

Support: Ward

Motion passed: 4-0

IV. Public Comment - None

V. Recognitions - None

VI. Board Correspondence - None

VII. Presentations- None

VIII. Reports

a. Superintendent's Report – Walker reported we are still in need of a couple of sixth grade students but that he had added two new staff members: Alli Boyer at the middle school and Greg Czerwonka at the high school. Walker reported that they are still in need of a 0.5 special education assistant as well as substitute teachers. The last loan payment will be made in October to Mercantile. Jenn Reid met with the entire district to review PBL basics during teacher planning week. Walker will be meeting with NMC to discuss expansion. High School will be participating in Field Fridays once a month. Middle School open house was a

large success hosting about one hundred families. The middle school is also halfway through the building upgrades. A large thank you to all of the volunteers that helped beautify the courtyard. The new cleaning company has started on top of our normal services. Walker will be meeting with the outdoor classroom company to create a timeline and budget. School security materials have been ordered. Middle school is at LOC this week and our next event will be PBL 101 on October 6 followed by Haunted Forest on October 28.

- b. President's Report - Babin-Ringsmuth reported that meeting the staff went well and there are opportunities for the remaining board members to meet with staff at any upcoming staff meetings either Wednesday at the high school or Tuesday afternoons at the middle school.

- c. Treasurer's Report - None
 - i. CSP Grant - Submitted September report today.

- d. Authorizer's Report - GVSU's representative, Matt Missias was absent but sent notes. October 12 at GVSU will be an event to celebrate 30 years since the first charter school. BOD members are invited. Fall principals' meeting will be held Thursday, October 20. Board training information is available on the GVSU site.

- e. Faculty Summary - Phil Girard wanted to acknowledge the unique challenges and wanted to thank the administration for how smoothly everything has gone so far this year.

IX. Consent Agenda

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

X. Discussion Items

a. Marine Technology Pathway - An Early Middle College Program - Walker explained that this meets Michigan standards as well as the standards set by NMC.

b. Personal Finance Graduation Requirements (PA 105 of 2022) - Walker explained this meets the requirement of a .5 credit of personal finance. This applies to students entering 8th grade in 2023.

XI. Action Items

a. High School Furniture Order

Motion: Kuhn

Support: Cabrera

Motion passed: 4-0

b. Volunteer Guidelines and Policy

Motion: Kuhn moved for Walker to make appropriate updates to the policy as recommended by the board and add a signature section to the front page.

Support: Ward

Motion passed: 4-0

XII. Public Comment- None

XIII. Adjournment into Closed Session at 6:24 pm

Motion: Kuhn

Support: Cabrera

Motion passed: 4-0

Yay: Kuhn, Ward, Cabrera, Babin-Ringsmuth, Nay: none

- a. Quarterly Superintendent Feedback and Review Session. Progress on goals was noted and feedback on Superintendent's performance was given.

XIV. Reconvene Open Session at 7:20 pm

Motion: Kuhn

Support: Cabrera

Motion passed: 4-0

Yay: Kuhn, Ward, Cabrera, Babin-Ringsmuth, Nay: none

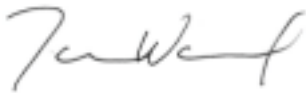
XIII. Adjournment of Open Session at 7:21pm

Motion: Kuhn

Support: Cabrera

Motion passed: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,



Tara Ward, School Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for October 17, 5:30 pm in Spruce Hall