



BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting - January 22, 2023, ~ 5:30 pm

Approved Minutes

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

President Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. The meeting was held in Spruce Hall with a remote option via Zoom.

- i. Board Members Present: Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth, Constanza Hazelwood, Ward Kuhn, Meagan Batdorff, Luis Pardo, Marguerite Cotto
- ii. Board Members absent: Marco Cabrera
- iii. Administrators Present: Superintendent Michael Shramm, Recording Secretary: Emily Feaster

II. Changes or Additions to the Agenda

- a. Motion to approve agenda as written: Kuhn
Support: Hazelwood
Motion passed: 6-0

III. Approval of Previous BOE Meeting Minutes

- a. Motion to table approval of Regular December 18, 2023 board minutes with corrections until next board meeting: Kuhn
Support: Hazelwood
Motion passed: 6-0

IV. Public Comment- None

V. Recognitions - None

VI. Board Correspondence - None

VII. Presentations- None

VIII. Reports

- a. Superintendent's Report – Schramm stated his report is in the board packet and he has been working with Matt Olson on the next steps of the strategic planning process based on the feedback received in the focus groups so far.
- b. President's Report - Babin-Ringsmuth included her report in the board packet and stated her excitement about starting the fundraising and marketing committee.
- c. Treasurer's Report - Batdorff reported a slight deficit in the current balance but will most likely be a wash with some personnel changes. It is important to look at enrollment as other pandemic funds come to an end.
- d. Authorizer's Report - GVSU's representative, Matt Missias, reported school performance reports are coming out by the end of the month. This week is National School of Choice Week. The academic grant should be released at the

end of next month dispersed based on academic performance and reporting. Next year's academic grant will be based on three categories: student academic outcomes, compliance on Epicenter of 85% or higher, and board members participating in educational development. Board renewals are needed at next month's meeting. The application for the Core Value of the year is open and the word of the year is integrity. There is a \$5,000 prize for the winning school. Conflict of Interest forms are due January 31, 2024.

- e. Faculty Summary - Kris Galoci reported the staff appreciated being heard in the strategic planning meetings. As staffing changes at the middle school, there is concern about how many additional roles other staff members may need to take on. The high school would like to thank the board members who attended the project night. There are still concerns about flooding at the middle school this spring.

IX. Consent Agenda

a. Committee Reports

- i. Facilities & Finance
- ii. Fundraising and Marketing
- iii. Personnel
- iv. Curriculum/School Improvement Team
 - Motion to approve consent agendas of those provided: Kuhn
 - Support: Cotto
 - Passed: 6-0

X. Discussion Items

a. Budget Amendment 2023-2024: The budget has been adjusted based on the actual number of general education students and special education students enrolled for the 2023-2024 school year.

b. Board Leadership/Officer Elections and Calendar: Babin-Ringsmuth discussed updates needed to the document to include dates from January 2024 to December 2024. Personal names will also be updated throughout the document. Luis Pardo has expressed interest in Treasurer and Marco Cabrera has expressed interest in continuing as Vice President.

Motion to move Board Elections to Action Item d: Kuhn
Support: Cotto
Passed: 6-0

c. Partner Solutions Quarterly Report: Babin-Ringsmuth discussed how impressed the board has been with Partner Solutions.

d. Board Member Profiles on Greenspire Website: Schramm discussed adding a short bio to everyone's profile on the website. Please send information to Schramm by the next board meeting.

XI. Action Items-

- a. Motion to table early graduation policy override request and move to a discussion item for the February meeting: Kuhn
Support: Batdorff
Passed: 6-0

- b. Motion to approve Fall 2023 Board Policy Updates: Kuhn
Support: Cotto
Passed: 6-0

- c. Motion to approve High School Enrollment Policy: Pardo
Support: Cotto
Passed: 6-0

- d. Motion to elect Luis Pardo to Board Treasurer, Marguerite Cotto for Board Secretary, Marco Cabrera for Board Vice President, and Yvette Babin-Ringsmuth for Board President: Kuhn
Support: Hazelwood
Passed: 6-0

XII. Public Comment- None

XII. Adjournment of the board meeting at: 7:20

Motion to adjourn: Kuhn
Support: Batdorff
Motion passed: 6-0

Respectfully submitted,



Marguerite Cotto, School Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for February 19, 5:30 pm in Spruce Hall