

Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education



JANUARY 8, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

**SAWDON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
BOARD ROOM**

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Grand Ledge Public Schools

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Please take notice that the Board of Education will hold a Regular Meeting on:

Date: Monday, April 22, 2024

Place: Sawdon Administration Building
Board Room
220 Lamson Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

***Once the meeting begins, it will be Live Streamed
at: [youtube.com/@GLPS21](https://www.youtube.com/@GLPS21) (click on Live)***

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Purpose: General Business

Phone: (517) 925-5400

Board minutes are located at the Board of Education office, 220 Lamson Street, Grand Ledge, MI 48837



William A. Barnes, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

cc: Buildings
Board Members
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Melissa Mazzola, President, GLEA
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Kelly LeSatz, President, Custodial Association

Date of Posting: April 17, 2024

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Grand Ledge Public Schools
Board of Education
MEETING AGENDA
Monday, April 22, 2024
6:00 pm

- I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance.....Nicole Shannon, President
- II. Roll Call.....Dr. Bill Barnes, Superintendent
- III. Approval of Agenda Items
- IV. Approval of Consent Agenda Items
 - A. April 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes & Closed Session Minutes
- V. Reports
 - A. Capitol Connections
 - B. Eaton RESA
 - C. Grand Ledge Education Foundation
 - D. Equity Diversity & Inclusion Committee
 - E. Governance Committee
 - F. Bond
 - G. Superintendent
 - a. Title Audit – Margarita Frommert, MDE Office of Educational Supports
 - b. Business Office Presentation
 - c. Technology Department Presentation
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Old Business
 - A. Revised Board Policies
 - a. 0000 Bylaws – PO 0142.5 Vacancies
 - b. 2000 Programs – PO 2430 District Sponsored Clubs & Activities
 - c. 5000 Students – PO 5111 Eligibility of Resident / Non-Resident Students
 - d. 5000 Students – PO 5840 Student Groups
- VIII. New Business
 - A. Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Series IV Bonds
- IX. Comments from Staff and Board
- X. Future Topics
 - A. Board Bond Advisory – Monday, May 13, 2024, 5:15 p.m., Room 107
 - B. Board Meeting – Monday, May 13, 2024*, 6:00 p.m., Board Room
- XI. Closed Session – Negotiations (As per Section 8(1)(c) of the Open Meetings Act, PA 267 of 1976)
- XII. Reconvene in Open Session
- XIII. Adjournment

**Only 1 meeting in May*

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**CALL TO ORDER &
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Nicole Shannon

"I pledge allegiance
to the Flag
of the United States of America,
and to the republic
for which it stands,
one Nation under God,
indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all."



ROLL CALL

Superintendent Dr. William Barnes



APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

PROPOSED MOTION: I move the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve the April 22, 2024 Agenda Items, as presented.



APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. April 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes & Closed Session Minutes*

PROPOSED MOTION: I move the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve the April 22, 2024 Consent Agenda Items, as presented.

* Closed Session Minutes will be at your places for review and collected at the end of the meeting.

GRAND LEDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education

April 8, 2024

MINUTES

Vice President DuFort called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call by Superintendent Barnes indicated the presence of **Board Members**: Denise DuFort, Ashley Kuykendoll, Jarrod Smith, Jon Shiflett, Ben Cwayna and Toni Glasscoe. **Members Absent**: Nicole Shannon. **Central Office Administrators**: Steve Gabriel, Julie Waterbury, Wendy Seida, Kelly Jones, Mark Deschaine and John Ellsworth. **Others in Attendance**: Brenton Bell, Susen Hazen, Sarah Simons, Laura Clark, Dale Clark, Ashleigh Lore, Erin Snyder, Tim Totten, Leesha Lee, Julie Douglas, Erica Terranova, Kate Wight, Kyleen Janetzke, Colin Janetzke, Paige Janetzke, Sawyer Janetzke, Kathy Crandall, Sue Janetzke, Jim Gee, Nancy Kujawa, Becky Porter, Colleen Price, Melody Patterson, John Piper, Allyson McCann and Kim Manning

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DISCUSSION & PRESENTATIONS

A. Willow Ridge Elementary School

Principal Jim Gee shared about all the good things taking place at Willow Ridge in conjunction with 3rd grade teacher Chris Terranova sharing information about the Wonder Project where three students, Cole Terranova, Kaiden Clark and Paige Janetzke shared their presentations with the board. Willow Ridge Counselor Sarah Simons shared information about her implementation of the RAMP program. In closing, Mr. Gee shared student academic progress.

B. Superintendent's Performance Update – Governance & Board Relations

Superintendent Barnes provided the board with an update on Governance & Board Relations as it relates to his yearly evaluation. He provided an overview of current initiatives established regarding Policy Involvement, Goal Development, Information, Materials and Backgrounds, Board Questions and Board Development.

Mr. Cwayna had to leave the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

A. MARCH 11, 2024 MEETING MINUTES & CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve the Meeting Minutes, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

B. BOARD POLICIES – 1ST READING

Motion by Mr. Shiflett, seconded by Mr. Smith for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to waive the first reading of Board Policies 0142.5, 2430, 5111 and 5840. The motion carried unanimously.

C. GLPS TESTING PLAN

Motion by Dr. Glasscoe, seconded by Mr. Smith for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve the Testing Plan for Grand Ledge Public Schools noting no school on April 10, 2024 for 7th and 9th grade students and 12th grade students participating in asynchronous learning, using district provided devices, at home from 12:30 to 2:42 p.m. with teachers available using virtual tools such as Google Classroom, Google Meet and Zoom to make themselves available and no school on April 11, 2024 for 10th grade students and 12th grade students participating in asynchronous learning, using district provided devices, at home from 12:30 - 2:42 p.m. with teachers available using virtual tools such as Google Classroom, Google Meet and Zoom to make themselves available, as presented.

Ms. Kuykendoll asked for a friendly amendment to remove “at home” from the motion. The amendment was accepted by Dr. Glasscoe and Mr. Smith.

The motion carried unanimously.

D. WACOUSTA FURNITURE PURCHASE

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve furniture purchases from Dew-El in the amount of \$407,537.06, NBS in the amount of \$172,775.83, School Specialty in the amount of \$32,967.23, Lakeshore Learning in the amount of \$19,993.90, Great Lakes (VS) in the amount of \$17,012, Wenger in the amount of \$11,561.02 and Interstate Office Interiors in the amount of \$1,866.97 for a total purchase price of \$663,714.01 for Wacousta Elementary School, as presented.

Mr. Shiflett noted this was reviewed in the Board Bond Advisory Committee meeting and approved to be brought forward for the board’s consideration.

The motion carried unanimously.

E. PAYMENT OF SINKING FUND INVOICES

Motion by Mr. Shiflett, seconded by Mr. Smith for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the payment of Sinking Fund Invoices in the amount of \$278,465.91, as presented.

Mr. Shiflett noted the invoices were reviewed in the Board Bond Advisory Committee meeting and approved to be brought forward for the board’s consideration.

The motion carried unanimously.

F. PAYMENT OF PROPOSAL 1, SERIES 2 BOND INVOICES

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Kuykendoll for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the payment of Proposal 1, Series 2 Bond Invoices in the amount of \$1,529,051.98, as presented.

Mr. Shiflett noted the invoices were reviewed in the Board Bond Advisory Committee meeting and approved to be brought forward for the board's consideration.

The motion carried unanimously.

G. PAYMENT OF PROPOSAL 1, SERIES 3 BOND INVOICES

Motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the payment of Proposal 1, Series 3 Bond Invoices in the amount of \$15,077.27, as presented.

Mr. Shiflett noted the invoices were reviewed in the Board Bond Advisory Committee meeting and approved to be brought forward for the board's consideration.

The motion carried unanimously.

H. PAYMENT OF PROPOSAL 1, SERIES 4 BOND INVOICES

Motion by Dr. Glasscoe, seconded by Mr. Shiflett for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the payment of a Proposal 1, Series 4 Bond Invoice in the amount of \$7,020, as presented.

Mr. Shiflett noted the invoices were reviewed in the Board Bond Advisory Committee meeting and approved to be brought forward for the board's consideration.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM STAFF & BOARD

Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services Steve Gabriel thanked our Willow Ridge students and staff who presented with a special shout out to Sarah Simon and the work she is doing in the counseling office and implementing the RAMP program expressing his hope that more schools will implement this in the future.

Superintendent Barnes noted he is proud of the work they are doing at Willow Ridge, thanked the board for the opportunity to share evaluation updates throughout the year instead of all at once and for continuing to "pay the bills", which is a good thing because it means construction is happening.

Dr. Glasscoe shared LCC has hired the new Director of K-12 Operations who will be working closely with local districts, including Grand Ledge Public Schools. She expressed she is proud of tonight and commented all the students did an excellent job.

Mr. Shiflett noted he is excited to follow the RAMP process and finds it very interesting.

Mr. Smith echoed thanks to Willow Ridge noting he is proud of the students who came to share their presentations with them. He expressed having Dr. Barnes present evaluation updates throughout the year has been very beneficial.

Ms. Kuykendoll echoed what her colleagues had already shared.

Vice President DuFort express she was impressed with the Willow Ridge presentation and especially that of the students. She shared that she attended Beagle Teacher, Mr. Jones, for his eclipse party noting that 60-80 students stayed after school to participate commending Mr. Jones for going above and beyond to provide this extra learning opportunity to something that happens so infrequently. In closing she expressed she is truly #proudtobecomet.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Shiflett, seconded by Dr. Glasscoe for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to move into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Negotiations Strategies, as Per Section 8(1)(c) of the Open Meetings Act, PA 267 of 1976.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mr. Smith	YES	Dr. Glasscoe	YES
Ms. Kuykendoll	YES	Mr. Cwayna	
Vice President DuFort	YES	Mr. Shiflett	YES

The motion carried unanimously at 7:47 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The meeting reconvened in open session at 8:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:

Ashley Kuykendoll, Secretary

Nicole Shannon, President



REPORTS

A. Capitol Connections

B. Eaton RESA

C. Grand Ledge Education Foundation

D. Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Committee

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PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Persons may address the board for up to three (3) minutes in the Public Comment segment of the meeting by providing your name and jurisdiction (City, Township / County) on one of the Public Comment forms provided at the sign in table and turning it in to the Superintendent's Assistant.

The meeting chair will use the Public Comment forms submitted to invite persons to come forward to make their public comment at the appropriate time.

Board Meetings are constructed to conduct necessary business of the board, while allowing time for the public to express concerns and opinions.

Out of respect for board members, students and staff, you will be interrupted if you:

- Personally attack a board member or district employee on issues unrelated to their job performance.
- Mention a student's name when discussing behavior or other incidents.
- Engage in discussion with other members of the audience.

You will be reminded when you are approaching the end of your three-minute limit so you can conclude with your strongest points.

The board will not respond to questions or comments during public comment but the Superintendent will do his best to answer questions at the end of the meeting. If immediate answers are not available, arrangements will be made to provide you with the information requested.



OLD BUSINESS

A. Revised Board Policies

- a. 0000 Bylaws - PO 0142.5 Vacancies
- b. 2000 Programs - PO 2430 District Sponsored Clubs & Activities
- c. 5000 Students - PO 5111 Eligibility of Resident / Non-Resident Students
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PROPOSED MOTION: I move the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve Board Policies 0142.5, 2430, 5111 and 5840, as presented.





NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Series IV Bonds

PROPOSED MOTION: I move the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Bond Proposal Series IV Bonds, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE





COMMENTS FROM STAFF & BOARD



FUTURE TOPICS

- Board Bond Advisory - Monday, May 13, 2024, 5:15 p.m., Room 107
- Board Meeting - Monday, May 13, 2024*, 6:00 p.m., Board Room

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CLOSED SESSION

Negotiations - Per Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act, PA 267 of 1976.

PROPOSED MOTION: I move the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education move into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Negotiations Strategies, as Per Section 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act, PA 267 of 1976.

ROLL CALL VOTE



RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Time: _____



ADJOURNMENT

Time: _____