
GRAND LEDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education

Regular Meeting – October 22, 2018

MINUTES

President Shiflett called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. He led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call by President Shiflett indicated the presence of ***Board Members***: Ben Cwayna, Denise DuFort, Beverly Winstanley, Patrick McKennon, Sara Clark Pierson and Jon Shiflett. ***Central Office Administrators***: Brian Metcalf, Steve Gabriel, Mike Johnson, Nancy Rasinske, Mark Deschaine and John Ellsworth. ***Others in Attendance***: Kim Manning

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Mr. McKennon, seconded by Mr. Cwayna for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the October 22, 2018, 2018 Agenda Items, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Mrs. Winstanley, seconded by Mrs. DuFort for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the October 22, 2018 Consent Agenda Item, as presented.

Included on the Consent Agenda was the September 24, 2018 Regular Meeting and October 8, 2018 Work Session meeting minutes.

The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

A. Capitol Connections - Mrs. DuFort advised there is not a lot going on in Lansing noting the last session was cancelled and they will not reconvene until November 7. She did not the ruling from the Court of Appeals that taxpayer dollars can be used for private school. This is a very contentious issue and everyone needs to be aware of this.

President Shiflett added that the people who want to represent our community in the legislature are out in the community. He encouraged everyone if school are important to you to let them know that.

B. Eaton RESA Report – President Shiflett read the Eaton RESA Report provided by Board Representative Jay Bennett noting the newly renovated Southridge Center looks great and will be utilized to house a variety of Early Childhood and Special Ed services and staff,

Maner Costerisan has concluded and presented the Audit showing no findings and in closing, he invited everyone to join the ERESA board members at the MASB Annual Learning Conference in Grand Rapids November 1-4.

- C. Grand Ledge Education Foundation Report** – Mrs. DuFort advised the teacher grant application process has closed and grant submissions are under review by the board members.

- D. Superintendent’s Report** – Superintendent Metcalf noted the November 6 election is about 14 days away. The district continues to put our mass information including flyer distribution, handouts at last Friday’s football game, infomercials on Facebook and Twitter and eMails to parents. He advised another post card will be mailed to all households in the near future providing more information that will allow voters to make a clear choice. He expressed it is essential for the community to be aware of the bond proposals and the district is taking that responsibility seriously and communicating about Proposal 1 and 2 as best we can. He encouraged anyone with questions or that would just like to talk about the proposals to call his office at 517-925-5400 to talk or schedule an appointment or eMail him through the district website. He noted he is happy to talk with anyone.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Approval of Resolution in Support of 2018 Bond Proposals**
Motion by Mrs. DuFort, seconded by Mr. Cwayna for the Grand Ledge Public Schools Board of Education to approve the Resolution in Support of the 2018 Bond Proposals, as presented.

Mr. Cwayna noted the language regarding the vocational building had been updated as requested at the last meeting.

A Roll Call Vote:

Mr. McKennon	<u>Yes</u>	Mrs. Winstanley	<u>Yes</u>
Mrs. DuFort	<u>Yes</u>	President Shiflett	<u>Yes</u>
Mr. Cwayna	<u>Yes</u>	Mrs. Clark Pierson	<u>Yes</u>

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comments.

COMMENTS FROM STAFF AND BOARD

There was no comment from the staff. President Shiflett reminded everyone that Tuesday, November 6, 2018 is election day! Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:


Patrick McLennon, Secretary


Jon Shiflett, President