

GRASS LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

individual excellence inspired by tradition and innovation

899 South Union Street • Grass Lake, Michigan 49240

(517) 867-5540 • Fax (517) 522-8195

Grass Lake Community Schools Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, November 13, 2023

7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary

Media Center

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Amy Humbarger
Kyle McClure
Jonathan Claussen
Shari Hein
Chris Maynard
Mark Rankin

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Janey Bisard

ADMINISTRATORS

Ryle Kiser
Jeanene Byerly
Misty Gunn
Brian Thompson

APPROXIMATE GUESTS: 5

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Amy Humbarger, President

Certified Correct,

Jonathan Claussen, Secretary

Submitted by: Launa Steinhauer



GRASS LAKE
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Individual excellence inspired by tradition and innovation
899 South Union Street • Grass Lake, Michigan 49240
(517) 867-5540 • Fax (517) 522-8195

Grass Lake Community Schools
Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, November 13, 2023
7:00 p.m.

George Long Elementary
Media Center

1. **Call to Order**

President Humbarger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

2. **Agenda Distribution**

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Moved by Member Claussen, seconded by Member Hein, to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of October 9, 2023. Discussion. All present voted: Amy Humbarger-Aye, Kyle McClure-Aye, Jonathan Claussen-Aye, Shari Hein-Aye, Chris Maynard-Aye, Mark Rankin-Nay. Motion carried.

4. **Presentation of Bills for Payment**

Moved by Member Hein, supported by Member Claussen, to approve paying the bills for October 2023 in the amount of \$1,290,178.51. Discussion. Roll Call vote: Amy Humbarger-Aye, Kyle McClure-Aye, Jonathan Claussen-Aye, Shari Hein-Aye, Chris Maynard-Nay, Mark Rankin-Nay. Motion carried 4-2.

5. **Correspondence**

None

6. **Hearing of Citizens**

- A. Shaun Kelly
- B. Margie Walz

7. Reports of the Superintendent for Information

A. **Administrative Reports**

Brian Thompson- The play went very well with a great turnout. Senior portfolios is coming up November 28th. Octoberfest on Halloween went well. Girls' volleyball won districts. They are also conference champions. This is the first conference win in the history of Grass Lake.

Jeanene Byerly- Kindness Day started today. Pastries with Principals and conferences went well. Students had their first quarterly reward day for having good attendance, maintaining a C or higher and no major discipline issues. 258 students earned the reward. The Jackson Health Department did a presentation to all students regarding the dangers of vaping. The following programs are underway: Most Teens Don't, NJHS, Robotics and Student Lighthouse.

Misty Gunn- The book fair has been going well. The Thankful program has started. Veterans Day Program was fantastic. Dakota Bahlau and Samantha Titler did a great job putting it together. They had over 60 veterans show and K-5 took part. Misty congratulated Dakota Bahlau on receiving the Michigan Science

B. **Special Board Meeting November 27, 2023 – canceled**

Dr. Kiser announced that the Special Board Meeting of November 27th is canceled due to other conflicts on that date. We will look for a new date.

C. **Update on Potential Bond**

Dr. Kiser stated they have met with PFM on options. One option would be to start in 2025 for \$36M, or wait until 2026 for \$41M. Discussion continued regarding looking at options of new or revised building issues, driveways, roofs, etc. and running out of room in our buildings.

D. **Transportation Update**

Our old buses have been sold. We are retaining four of them. We are now getting pickups ready for winter.

E. **Next Round of NEOLA Policy Updates**

NEOLA should have the next round of updates in January for the first draft.

F. **MASB Conference Update (Shari Hein, Ryle Kiser, Kyle McClure)**

Member Hein talked very highly of her experience at this conference explaining different takeaways she had from it especially as it pertained to parliamentary procedures and Robert's

Rules. Member McClure and Dr. Kiser agreed that they, too felt the conference was very good.

G. Report of Test Scores

Misty Gunn shared a chart with the board and walked through the fall scores.

8. Reports of the Superintendent for Action

A. Annual Summer Tax Resolution

Moved by Member Claussen, support by Member Hein, to approve the Annual Summer Tax Resolution. Discussion. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

B. Hiring of Craig Vitale – Middle School Boys Basketball Coach

Moved by Member Hein, seconded by Member Claussen to approve the hiring of Craig Vitale, Middle School Boys Basketball Coach. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

C. Hiring of Travis Rubingh – High School Powerlifting Assistant Coach

Moved by Member Hein, seconded by Member McClure to approve the hiring of Travis Rubingh, High School Powerlifting Assistant Coach. All present voted Aye. Motion carried.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.