

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
GRANT PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Regular Board
Meeting
March 13, 2023**

The Board of Education of the Grant Public Schools met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 13, 2023, with President, Neil Geers presiding.

Board Members Present: Rachal Gort, Danette Obenauf, Neil Geers, Ken Thorne, Richard Vance, Sabrina Veltkamp and Rob Schuitema.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Administrators Present: Brett Zuver, Superintendent; Dan Simon, H.S. Principal; Kevin Akin, M.S. Principal; Travis DeVos, PC/EL Asst. Principal; and Holly Kleyn, Finance Director.

**ADMINISTRATORS
PRESENT**

Others Present: Kim Anderson & others.

OTHERS PRESENT

Neil Geers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Questions for the Audience: None

**QUESTIONS FROM
THE AUDIANCE**

Motion by Ken Thorne, second by Rachal Gort to amend the current agenda. Add Item E and F to the action items.

**MOTION TO AMEND
THE AGENDA**

E. Purchase of School Property, discussion, and F. additional required information of new hires in the board packets.

Rachal G. Yay Danette O. Yay
Sabrina V. Yay Rob S. Yay
Dianne R. Yay Ken T. Yay
Neil G. Yay

Motion Approved 7-0

Motion by Danette Obenauf, supported by Rob Schuitema to approve the agenda with changes.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

Rachal G. Yay Danette O. Yay
Sabrina V. Yay Rob S. Yay
Dianne R. Yay Ken T. Yay
Neil G. Yay

Motion Approved 7-0

Reports

REPORTS

Brett Zuver, Superintendent – Gave Update
Carol Dawson, Principal – Gave Update
Kevin Akin, Principal – Gave Update
Dan Simon, Principal – Gave Update
Finance Committee, Rachal Gort – Gave Update
Curriculum Committee, Sabrina Veltkamp – Gave Update
Policy & Handbook Committee, Ken Thorne – Gave Update
Athletics & Fine Arts Committee, not currently scheduled
Building, Transportation & Food Service Committee, not currently scheduled
Health Center Committee, not currently scheduled

Motion by Danette Obenauf, supported by Richard Vance to approve the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay

Motion Approved 7-0

Approve the Behavioral Interventionist Position.
Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay
Motion Approved 7-0

**BEHAVIORAL
INTERVENTIONIST
POSITION**

Approval of the Energy Savings Authorization.
Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay
Motion Approved 7-0

**ENERGY SAVINGS
AUTHORIZATION**

Motion by Rob Schuitema, supported by Sabrina Veltkamp to approve the purchase of food service ovens.
Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay
Motion Approved 7-0

**FOOD SERVICE
OVENS**

Motion by Rob Schuitema, supported by Danette Obenauf to approve the purchase of math curriculum.
Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay
Motion Approved 7-0

MATH CURRICULUM

Motion by Rachal Gort, supported by Rob Schuitema to approve the change of a new district website provider.
Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay
Motion Approved 7-0

**DISTRICT WEBSITE
PROVIDER CHANGE**

Motion by Rachal Gort, supported by Danette Obenauf to approval the 2022-23 Amended Budgets, General Fund and Food Service.
Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay
Motion Approved 7-0

**2022-23 BUDGET
AMENDMENT**

Motion by Richard Vance, supported by Ken Thorne to approve the reinstatement of student #6640255768.
Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay
Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay
Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay
Neil G. Yay
Motion Approved 7-0

**REINSTATEMENT OF
STUDENT 6640255768**

Motion by Rob Schuitema, supported by Danette Obenauf to make an EduStaff employee a GPS employee.

Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay

Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay

Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay

Neil G. Yay

Motion Approved 7-0

Motion by Ken Thorne, supported by Richard Vance to formally gather all relevant information associated with the sale of property owned by GPS. To direct the superintendent to prepare the following to be presented at the April 2023 board meeting: Work with Mark Brock of Coldwell Banker in Newaygo to assess, prepare, and present a written proposal of the current property value and potential conditions of a sale, communicate to the interested party that GPS is investigating the potential sale and the pros and cons for the district. Obtain written opinion for the GPS legal team as to the penalties or concerns that would arise from the sale. Prepare and present a packet including all the above information and any additional relevant information to the board.

Motion to amend the main motion by Richard Vance supported by Ken Thorne to also include the list of other properties owned by GPS.

Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay

Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay

Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay

Neil G. Yay

Motion Amendment Approved 7-0

Amended Motion formally gather all relevant information associated with the sale of property owned by GPS. To direct the superintendent to prepare the following to be presented at the April 2023 board meeting: Work with Mark Brock of Coldwell Banker in Newaygo to assess, prepare, and present a written proposal of the current property value and potential conditions of a sale, communicate to the interested party that GPS is investigating the potential sale and the pros and cons for the district. Obtain written opinion for the GPS legal team as to the penalties or concerns that would arise from the sale. Prepare and present a packet including all the above information and any additional relevant information to the board including a list of all properties owned by GPS.

Neil Geers, Danette Obenauf, Rob Schuitema and Sabrina Veltkamp approved motion to only gather information but oppose a sale at this point.

Rachal G. Yay Rob S. Yay

Ken T. Yay Richard V. Yay

Danette O. Yay Sabrina V. Yay

Neil G. Yay

Motion Approved 7-0

**TECHNOLOGY
ASSIST POSITION
CHANGE**

**PROPERTY OWNED
BY GPS**

Motion by Richard Vance seconded by Rachal Gort to add the starting pay and step information to the board packet for anyone being added to the GPS payroll. Direct the superintendent to include in all recommendations for hire the following information. Starting pay and step for all hires, justification to the starting pay and step if above step 2, the impact of such hire on the budget.

Rachal G.	Yay	Rob S.	Yay
Ken T.	Yay	Richard V.	Yay
Danette O.	Yay	Sabrina V.	Yay
Neil G.	Yay		

Motion Approved 7-0

Discussion Items:

Retiring Teacher, possible replacement to be hired early to fill vacancy.
Dual Immersion presentation by Amanda Lowry.

Adjournment:

Motion by Rob Schuitema, supported by Rachal Gort to adjourn the meeting. President Neil Geers declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Anderson
Recording Secretary

**NEW HIRE PAY
TRANSPARENCY**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT