

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting – March 9, 2022

The Grandview Heights Schools Board of Education met in regular session in the new Larson Middle School (currently housing Grandview Heights High School) Media Center.

Call to Order: President Eric Bode called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call	Members Present:	Members Absent:
	Eric Bode	
	Emily Gephart	
	Kevin Gusé	
	Katie Matney	
	Molly Wassmuth	

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Board Meeting Minutes

Recommendations for Approval

1. **Motion 22-079 (Minutes)** Mr. Gusé moved to approve the minutes of the following meetings:
 - a. Special Meeting, January 22, 2022
 - b. Regular Meeting, February 9, 2022
 - c. Special Meeting, February 16, 2022

Mrs. Gephart seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Recognition of Guests and Hearing of the Public

Mrs. Dawn Strong read the following prepared statement:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to speak with you this evening. I am here to suggest that it's time to make our school lunch program a priority to our district. School lunches are critical to our students' health and are interwoven with academic performance.

I am a parent of a fourth grader at Larson. Beyond my roles as wife and a mother, I am a certified registered nurse anesthetist. I have a bachelor and master's degree in nursing, as well as a bachelor's degree in nutrition. My husband, Brandon, and I have been a part of the Grandview community for 13 years and it was in 2018 when our son, Declan, was in the first grade, that I embarked on my journey to improve the school lunch program.

My initial steps included attending every wellness committee meeting for an entire academic year. I listened and learned about the wonderful things that our district does for the physical, social and mental well-being of our students. I also noticed that the school lunch program was often in the middle or at the end of the agenda, which I found surprising as I believe what we feed our children is one of, if not the most important, things that we do on a daily basis.

COVID-19 has made an impact on all of our lives, without question. And our district did the best we could with the school lunches. But it is now March, 2022 and life is starting to resemble some form of normalcy. We need to move forward in our food service department in all three of our schools, especially at Stevenson, because the food choices our young children have and make at a young age impact their food choices as they grow.

Our food service website says our lunches are fresh, delicious, nutritious. There are many variables when looking at food to determine if it's healthy - sugar, calories, protein and sodium, just to name a few. I chose to look at sodium content of some of the lunches offered at Larson, as that is where Declan attends.

According to the 2020-2025 USDA dietary guidelines, children five to eight years old should limit their daily sodium intake to 1500 milligrams; nine to thirteen years, 1800 milligrams; and adolescents, 2300 milligrams. A high sodium diet can lead to hypertension and, according to the CDC, about one in six children ages eight to 17 has raised blood pressure.

Here are a few examples of lunches at Larson that are currently on the menu and were also on the menu prior to COVID-19:

- Bosco sticks, baked beans, and milk – 43% of the daily recommended sodium intake;
- Chicken poppers, mashed potatoes, and milk – 59% of the daily recommended sodium intake for our children; and
- Hot dog on a bun, baked beans, and milk – 74% of the daily recommended sodium intake.

These numbers are somewhat shocking. The children can choose an Uncrustable or chef's salad, but these are the hot menu choices for my child, for your child, any parent's child in this room tonight, or someone who has a child at Larson. These menu choices, I believe, miss the mark of fresh, delicious, nutritious.

The Grandview Heights Schools Academic Prospectus is a publication that speaks to many of the amazing aspects of our schools. There is no doubt that we are one of, if not the best, districts in the state. I would like to take a moment to read a few things from page 15:

"We believe that our food and nutrition services are an integral part of our K-through-12 wellness for life curriculum. Our wellness team views the cafeteria as a learning lab for life. This environment is where students will put theory into practice." It goes on to say "the learning objective for our students within the context of the cafeteria learning lab is: I can evaluate and select foods that will nourish my body, mind and spirit."

This is a great publication, but if we are going to say it, if we are going to print it, then we need to do it, and do it for all of our schools. You do not need a nutrition degree such as I have to look at the menu that is offered at our schools and recognize that we are not living up to our wellness standards. We hold our children accountable and it is time that we do that to ourselves.

To most of you on the Board, my face and passion for this cause is not new. In the past, I have stated that there are others like me in this community and tonight many of them are here and I would like them to stand if they wish to. Or, perhaps you have received emails from them.

A group of mothers recently joined forces and formed the Facebook page *Champions for Healthy School Food*. Currently, we have 93 members and we continue to grow. 93 community members who have innovative ideas on how to improve our school lunch program. 93 community members with different dietary choices. We are here, we are passionate, we want our voices to be heard. But most of all, we want to help.

We have salad bars in all three of our schools, which is a fantastic way to offer fresh fruits and vegetables to our students and staff. Please get them out in all of our buildings. We could reconnect with Romeo's pizza, bring them back into our schools. Fresh hot pizza versus frozen is a simple improvement. Serve lunch outside when the weather gets nice to help with distancing. An alternative dairy beverage for those who are lactose intolerant. A real peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

COVID-19 presents challenges but we all know it is here to stay. It cannot define what our school lunches look like. We can be creative. We can make small changes now as we strive towards greater changes. The future is bright in Grandview. We are standing in this beautiful building with a beautiful new kitchen at our disposal. A kitchen where we can actually make fresh, delicious, and nutritious food for all of our students and staff.

I love Grandview. I love our schools and the teachers that we are so fortunate to have. But, most of all, I love our children. I will continue to be passionate for their food choices. And I know that together as a community and a district, we can unite and make the school lunch program a priority.

Nina Brown, Grandview Heights High School student, read the following statement to the Board:

I am a senior at Grandview Heights High School and the student leader of the Bobcat Anti-Racism Collective. Today, I would like to share my continuous support for the anti-racism resolution in our school district. I have noticed in my earlier years that diversity in what I was being taught was limited. Mass genocide and the erasure of entire groups of people were barely mentioned. It was in my own relearning and the history that I became very interested in our past because of the complexity in it. I am proud to live in a school system that promotes a diverse and holistic curriculum, even in a time when honesty in education is under attack across the country.

Maggie Herlihy, Grandview Heights High School student, read the following statement to the Board:

I am a junior here and a leader of the Bobcat Anti-Racism Collective. In light of the recent passing of House Bill 327, I am especially thankful to be in a school system that has sustained its support for honesty in education. As a white student I am inspired to think critically and incite change when taught about all aspects of our history. I do not feel targeted or guilty. Thank you.

Heidi McAfee addressed the Board expressing her support for making the school lunches healthier. She mentioned that she left copies of the 2019 parent and student survey of the food service program for the Board to review. She also reported that she was part of an amazing tour of the new kitchen at the middle school and high school today and had a great conversation with the food service director. She stated that with the new kitchen facilities, she believes the district can live up to the perspectives of food lab for life described in the Academic Prospectus.

Megan Hatta addressed the Board regarding the food service program. She stated that as the district is coming out of COVID and settling into the beautiful new kitchen, the district should continue to consider the food program and approach it looking for opportunities for improvement, while recognizing there are barriers such as staffing, budget and government restrictions. She stated that she believes all of the staff and students bring their very best to the school district and district programming is at a very high level and she wants to feel confident that the food and nutrition choices that are provided to students and staff are also the very best that can be offered.

Sophia Moore addressed the Board regarding the food service program. She explained that while the community supported the beautiful new facilities for education, the district has not thought differently about the food service program. She challenged the Board and the district to consider how the program could be improved.

Devon Albeit also addressed the Board in support of improving the food service program. She explained that while COVID-19 brought on many challenges, it has allowed everyone to reconsider what is important. Parents are certainly interested in their students' academic success and how well they perform athletically, but healthy eating habits are something that will benefit the students for the long haul and also need to be considered. She also stated that with a greater focus on mental health and well-being, food and nutrition impact mental health. Ms. Albeit explained that in 2017 she reached out to the school district in an effort to help the district look at healthier and more locally-sourced food options, and she is again expressing her desire to relook at the effort, especially as COVID is waning.

Austin Carter read the following statement to the Board:

I support a healthier school lunch program at Grandview Schools and encourage the Board to take necessary actions to improve it. I believe that all children deserve access to healthy lunch options. It's an important part of growing into a healthy adult.

I have been surprised by the relatively poor quality of school lunches at Stevenson Elementary. The lunches contain too much low-grade, unhealthy food, and the menu is repetitive. I oftentimes ask myself, 'Would I eat this', and the answer is often times no. As a result, we usually pack a healthier lunch option. Unfortunately, this option isn't available for many students.

I do not wish this criticism to reflect poorly on the staff, administrators and volunteers who deliver the school lunch program. These servants are doing the best they can in a difficult situation. Resources are tight. Pandemic induced supply chain problems persist. Staff shortages continue. Facilities are outdated and probably many other factors I know nothing about. In short, they need help, so please help them.

The writer, Michael Pollan, author of *In Defense of Food*, 2008 book which is really quite good if you get the chance, offers advice on how to eat to achieve maximum health. Eat food, not too much, mostly plants. I do not believe that Stevenson Elementary school lunches pass this test.

Eat food. Much of what is served at lunch is processed food. Mr. Pollan's tip is don't eat anything that your great grandmother wouldn't recognize as food.

Not too much. I understand that for many children at school, lunch is their best source of calories and that sugary and fatty foods enable schools to meet this important requirement on a budget. However, I believe that it is possible to meet this caloric requirement with healthy foods, although it will take both time and money to do so.

Mostly plants. I sometimes struggle to find a vegetable on the menu and almost no fresh vegetables. Mr. Pollan says there is an incontrovertible but boring evidence that eating your fruits and vegetables is probably the best thing you can do for preventing cancer, for weight control, for diabetes, for all the different diseases that now afflict us.

I understand that there are many competing priorities in a school district, and I do not envy the difficult job that the school board has weighing these priorities and balancing resources, etc... I simply think that we can do much better when it comes to providing healthy school lunches for our children, and I support increasing resources to do so.

Mr. Pollan also says, "You're going to have to spend either more time or more money and perhaps a little bit of both." It's really a question of priorities.

Alyssa Van Ausdal read the following statement:

I am a Grandview Heights parent, alumni, taxpayer, resident and employee in the food services department of this district. I'm speaking tonight using the combined knowledge gained as each of those.

Through social media less than a week ago, I learned of a group referring to themselves as the "GH healthy school lunch initiative". It was their first public post and it specifically solicited people to contact this board with the group's requests. It always piques my interest when a small private group attempts to alter the decisions that a large public group already has in place.

So, I joined the group and was immediately struck by the inability to discern in their verbiage a clear request of something actually "healthy". Some example requests: wraps, snacks, Ohio days (which are simply foods that have been touched in some capacity in the state of Ohio, and consisted primarily of food we already were and still do serve), pizza, grab-and-go, soup, salad bar (all three schools had already been offering salads). Not a single specifically "healthy" item in that list.

It is probable that interested parents are not truly aware of what we do, why we do it, what rules we are governed by and what constantly shifting tangents we must overcome. The department has turned on a dime so many times in the last two years I can't even count them, but we always found a way to get the kids their nutritious lunches.

I hope I can clear up some misconceptions I read on the group's posts. Adding fresh fruit and vegetables was listed in the request; however, those have always been and will always be on our menus.

Several members mentioned they would not be interested in taking a job within the department as the "pay is pretty bad". Since it is public knowledge, I can tell you I started in the 12 dollar range almost eight years ago and am now in the 15 dollar range with no insurance. A new hire with kitchen experience would most likely start with higher pay than I currently make.

I also saw a group member and admin that said "we likely need an overhaul on the entire process. I bet there are more efficient ways to do some of the work the current team is doing." I can promise you no one can break down a case of melon, pineapple, kiwi, peppers, celery, cucumbers, kale, or oranges faster or more efficiently than I can, because I have to. Because I serve them. I don't have time not to.

While the masking policy changed, our meal services have not. RLS meals still require bagging and thus pre-packaged foods. That is a smart workaround, not a norm of our department.

Styrofoam? Again, not a norm. We switched out for compostable/recyclable years ago. Are we happily using anything (food or service related) that we can find in these supply-issue times? Absolutely.

Bexley & Granville as models? I've seen their menus and the photos. We serve the same food, from the same vendors. The original high school not having a commercial kitchen? Not true. It did.

Salad bars not being used? Not true. They are in 2 of the 3 buildings.

Hummus & parfaits being gone? Nope, still available at the high school although I do let the kids assemble the parfaits themselves.

We may or may not be moving on from the pandemic but there are other issues at hand. There has not been a decision on the waiver for next year. While we have plans in place for either direction, it does greatly affect the look of meal service in all three buildings.

We will also be changing a kitchen next year. That will affect the look of meal service in 2 buildings. What it won't affect is us continuing to offer nutritious meals that include whole grains and a variety of fresh fruits and fresh vegetables.

Parents should be confident in us, especially now after the last two years when we went from possibly being let go, to me bringing the food to your doorstep, to a waiver that tripled our numbers, to now this very meeting. Somewhere in there we even managed to get a completely different kitchen up and running.

In closing, I will say we have a lot of needs to be met and all three building's needs, kitchens, students, and tastes are not entirely the same. Within them we must find balance. Getting the kids thru the line as fast as possible is crucial in them all. Two of the three buildings are offer-versus-serve making for a very different looking service.

Perception is tricky. A salad bar sounds very healthy until you see a child with 3 servings with of iceberg lettuce, 1 cup of black olives and enough ranch dressing to choke a goat.

Pizza by any other name is still pizza.

We truly encourage people to come watch a meal service at any building and see how well cared for your kids actually are by us.

Oh, and volunteers, yes please. You should see what damage can be done to a salad bar in only 10 minutes.

If an actual majority of parents and taxpayers wish to change our program to any version that is more labor-intensive, I hope that the school chooses to make our positions have benefits to invest in us as we have invested in the school.

Discussion

Mrs. Gephart asked if the Board could get an update on the food service program and then the Board could discuss possible options for improvement.

Mr. Culp confirmed that Mr. Kyle Mahan could provide an updated presentation to the Board inclusive of the current staffing and staffing opportunities upon completion of the Grandview Heights High School renovation.

Presentations

Larson Middle School Experiential Learning –

Dr. Quint Gage, Mrs. Jessica Fields, Mrs. Kristi Jump, Mrs. Lana Williamson, and several students presented to the Board on various experiential learning opportunities in which students are currently involved and participating.

Superintendent's Report

Teaching and Learning

During February's Kindness Week at Stevenson Elementary, Mrs. Doran and Mrs. Keller created a "Why You Matter Wall." They used the students' pictures and interviewed every student about what they felt made them special. Teachers and students have really enjoyed reading and learning about each other.

At Larson Middle School, Abby Mally, Counselor, Amber Nickels, Mental Health Specialist, and classroom teachers in grades 4-6 are continuing their work with students in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades using Systems of Strength, a Social Emotional Learning program that is focused on several areas of support (perseverance, resilience, etc).

At Grandview Heights High School, Math teacher William Amurgis is thinking "inside the box" when inviting guest speakers to his Career Math class to discuss applications of math in their daily work and careers. Jay Tadena, from Elford, spoke about applications of math in building and construction. Beth Collier and Jennie Clifton, from the Treasurer's Office, spoke about the world of payroll, benefits, and how organizations finance, borrow, and save money. Human Resources Coordinator Kristina Brannon spoke about career exploration and job searching. Each of these professionals also spoke about their own career journeys and the requirements for their present positions.

GHHS students are working with Corna Kokosing's Project Engineer Colleen Cross, Mr. Hinkle and Mr. Gintert to design a time capsule that will be placed in the newly renovated high school building. The time capsule will contain items that students feel represent life in the year 2022. The time capsule, which will be reopened in 50 years, will be placed inside a wall in the main entrance of the building and a plaque will mark its location. Mr. Alter is working on display space with GHPL Director Ryan McDonnell that will become a student-curated extension of the time capsule project.

Congratulations to Phoebe Ferguson who was named MSL Ohio Division Swimmer of the Year!

Congratulations to Chris Szabo (Girls Cross Country) and James Gerdes (Boys Soccer) were named Coach of the Year in their respective sports for Central Ohio (All Divisions) by ThisWeek News.

District Wide

Students and staff enjoyed a great Kindness Week February 14-17 to focus on being kind to ourselves and others, and fostering acceptance and inclusivity for all students and staff across the district. Thanks to our Student Services team for all of their hard work to make that happen! Also, thanks to all staff and students who participated in the activities throughout the week, including read alouds about Kindness; class lessons; Kindness Quotes; Kindness treats and t-shirts. The week had many highlights and we hope this focus on Kindness and Inclusivity will continue to be a focus in our schools and community moving forward!

Community Engagement

This district has released its fourth annual Quality Profile 2022. Hard copies were mailed to all district residences. The QP 2022 can be viewed here <https://www.ghschools.org/apps/news/article/1580834>

Experiential learning at Stevenson Elementary has included a school wide Kindness Week diaper and soup drive for Heart to Heart Food Pantry. During the recent American Heart Association's Kids Heart Challenge, Stevenson Elementary students raised \$3,938.68. Miss Konrad's third graders, after learning about manatees, created a fundraising campaign and raised \$526.39 to help manatees.

The GHHS Spring Musical, *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee*, was a success! Congrats to Director Cary Mitchell and company on a creative and great production!

Links to Recent Press

Tri-Village Magazine – Student Leadership https://issuu.com/cityscenemediagroup/docs/tv_marchapril2022_web

ThisWeek News Articles

Strong Return on Community Investment <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/02/18/grandview-heights-schools-notes-district-providing-strong-return-community-investment/6796859001/>

GHHS to Model UN Conference in NYC <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/02/11/grandview-heights-students-participate-model-un-conference-new-york-city/9302064002/>

E-Sports Team <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/02/25/grandview-heights-esports-team-gearing-up-first-competition/6895086001/>

KindnessWeek <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/02/18/grandview-heights-students-staff-celebrate-kindness-week/6829197001/>

Athletic Complex, Stevenson Elementary Process Begins

<https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/02/18/grandview-heights-schools-beginning-process-evaluate-needs-athletic-complex-stevenson/6721987001/>

Swimming <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/03/04/central-ohio-swimming-diving-ferguson-furbee-lead-grandview-heights-bobcats-at-state-wellington/6975826001/>

Girls Basketball <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/02/25/central-ohio-girls-basketball-grandview-heights-set-up-for-success-next-season-upper-arlington/6867330001/>

GHHS Spring Musical <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/02/25/grandview-students-preparing-improv-aspect-the-25th-annual-putnam-county-spelling-bee/6898534001/>

Mask Mandate Lifted <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/03/02/grandview-heights-school-board-approves-lifting-mask-mandate/6982975001/>

Construction

Construction Progress Update

Mr. Jay Tadena, Project Manager, Corna-Kokosing/Elford (CKE) provided the following update on the construction project:

- February was a very productive month for the construction team.
- Drywall is substantially complete on the second floor of the high school.
- The construction team is working on a mock-up room that will show what the completed learning spaces will look like.
- Upcoming next month, the first floor will continue to catch up with the second floor progress.
- The construction team will also be taking over the high school gym for renovation on March 21st.
- Work will begin in the auditorium soon.
- The high school roofing contract was executed and the materials order has been placed, which is very favorable due to the current volatile materials market.
- Longer term, the team is preparing for the site work that will occur this summer.

Discussion

Mr. Culp also explained the kindergarten annex building will be demolished this summer, which is earlier than initially planned, to accommodate staff parking.

Mrs. Gephart asked when the Fairview Avenue street work will begin.

Mr. Tadena explained that while the actual street work will occur in the summer of 2023, there will be utility work occurring this summer in preparation for that street work.

Core Team Committee Report

Mr. Bode thanked Mr. Tadena for his commitment to reducing the cost of the kindergarten annex demolition. He explained the cost was originally in the \$60,000 range, but that Jay and his team worked hard to reduce that cost to around \$7,000.

Mr. Bode also explained that the Core Team is continuing discussions with the architects about their design work and a lot of changes that have been made. The Core Team continues to monitor that and work with the district's owner's rep to monitor and work towards a resolution.

Mrs. Gephart added that visioning sessions have occurred with community members and student groups to plan for the design of the middle school commons wall.

Recommendation for Approval (Motion 22-080) Mrs. Gephart moved to approve the following:

1. Perkins & Will Master Planning Contract

Recommend the Board authorize a contract with Perkins & Will as architect for the Grandview Heights Athletic Complex Project, and as follows:

The Superintendent recommends approval of a contract with Perkins & Will (the "Architect") to provide design professional services related to the Board's new Grandview Heights Athletic Complex Project (the "Project").

Rationale:

1. The Board is considering its options for a new athletic complex, and requires the services of a design professional to provide an "existing conditions" assessment and master planning services, and, depending on the outcome of the master plan, design and construction administration services for the Project.
2. Sections 153.65 through .71 of the Ohio Revised Code prescribe a qualifications-based selection process for public entities when professional design services are needed.
3. In accordance with the statutory process, the Superintendent publicly advertised and issued a request for qualifications for professional design services and evaluated the statements of qualifications submitted by professional design firms.
4. Following this evaluation, the Board identified the Architect to be most qualified to provide the required professional design services.

5. The Architect provided a pricing proposal for an “existing conditions” assessment and master planning services for the Project, as set forth in Architect’s proposal dated January 14, 2022, in an amount not-to-exceed \$151,940.00.
6. The Superintendent, requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the Architect for the Basic Services for the Project in an amount not to exceed \$139,440.00, plus a not-to-exceed amount \$12,500.00 for reimbursable costs, for a total amount of \$151,940.00.

The Grandview Heights City School District Board of Education resolves as follows:

1. The Board authorizes the Superintendent, working with legal counsel, to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Architect for the services for the Project in an amount not to exceed \$151,940.00.
2. The Board authorizes the Superintendent, Treasurer, and other officials and administrators to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Board, and to sign any related documentation consistent with the intent of this Resolution.

Mrs. Matney seconded the motion.

Ms. Collier explained that while the final details of the contract are still being worked out between the attorneys, this resolution allows for that and allows Superintendent Culp to finalize those details with approval by the district’s attorney.

Mr. Culp also explained that this resolution is to authorize a process to engage the community to develop options for consideration to improve the athletic complex. It does not authorize any actual improvements to be made at this time.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.
Motion carried 5-0.

Business and Finance

Finance Presentation

Treasurer Beth Collier presented to the Board on the following February, 2022 financial highlights:

General Fund (001):

- General Fund Revenues
 - Taxes – \$6.67 million advances received on 1st half 2022 settlement; 90.9% of budget.
 - State Funding – 80.3% of budget.
 - Property Tax Allocation – 2nd half 2021 settlement received; 49.3% of budget.
 - Grandview Yard – 2nd half 2021 settlement received; 52.1% of budget.
 - Interest Earnings (Other Revenue) for February, 2022: \$14,286.68.
- General Fund Expenditures
 - FYTD Budget: 8 months (66.7%)
 - Total FY Expenditures: 64.0% of budget
- General Fund Investments
 - US Bank Investment account: average yield to maturity 1.14%

Construction Fund (004):

- Interest Earnings for February, 2022: \$11,522.66.
- Interest Earnings Project-to-Date: \$1,699,895 (net of \$58,742 investment advisory fees)
- 73.1% of Soft Costs have been spent.
- 69.1% of Construction Costs have been spent.
- Current Fund Balance: \$18,379,239.24.
- Investments: 1.72% average yield to maturity.

Permanent Improvement Fund (003):

- Current Fund Balance: \$1,368,406.14
- Unreserved Fund Balance: \$1,035,299.14.
- Upcoming expenditures:
 - GHHS Roof, \$296,647.

- Trane HVAC control system for EI/LMS and Stevenson Elementary, \$29,715.
- Baseball field improvements, \$5,220.

Grandview Yard 2022 Revenue Projections

- Prepared by Baker Tilly
- Presented to the Finance Committee February 28, 2022
- Represent an increase of \$8.6 million through the estimated life of the TIF compared with 2021 projections.

Finance Committee Report

Mrs. Gephart gave an overview of the following topics discussed at the Finance Committee meeting:

- Grandview Yard updated revenue projections
- Construction budget
- Kids Club operating budget
- Property valuation appeals
 - House Bill 126 at a standstill currently
- Health insurance renewal of 4% for 2022-2023

Mr. Bode also explained that the Village of Marble Cliff has reached out to the school district regarding the development of a property in the village from commercial office space into an AEP substation. The Village will lose its revenue source of income tax from the property and the school district stands to receive an increase in property taxes due to the investment in the proposed substation.

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 22-081) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. February Financial Reports
Recommend the Board approve the February 2022 financial reports.

2. Then and Now Certifications
Recommend the Board approve the following then-and-now certifications:
 - a. PO #38493, State Security, service labor
 - b. PO #38501, College Board, membership fee
 - c. PO #38526, Brown Supply, batteries
 - d. PO #38525, Carolina Biological Supply, science supplies
 - e. PO #38524, Chucks Septic Tank Sewer & Drain, Inc., drain line cleaning
 - f. PO #38526, Brown Supply, custodial supplies
 - g. PO #38553, Carolina Biological Supply, science supplies
 - h. PO #38500, Jane O'Shaughnessy, student supplies
 - i. PO #38513, Erin Engle, student supplies

3. Budget Adjustments
Recommend the Board approve the following adjustments in appropriations:
 - a. High School Boys Soccer Fund (300-9110)\$3,000.00

4. Tax Rate Resolution – 2023 Collections
Recommend the Board approve a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission, authorizing the necessary tax levies, and certifying them to the County Auditor.

5. Health Insurance Renewal
Recommend the Board approve Anthem for group medical/prescription insurance coverage at a 4% premium increase, effective July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023.

6. Asset Disposal
Recommend the Board approve disposal of the following asset:
 - a. High Jump (tag #6837)

7. Educational Service Center of Central Ohio Agreement
Recommend the Board approve an agreement with the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio for American Rescue Plan (ARP) – Homeless II Funds.
8. Bowling Green State University Memorandum of Understanding
Recommend the Board approve a memorandum of understanding with Bowling Green State University for 2021-2024.
9. Eagle Wings Academy Contract
Recommend the Board approve a contract with Eagle Wings Academy.
10. Transfer to FIRST Robotics Fund
Recommend the Board approve a transfer of \$2,400 from the General Fund to the FIRST Robotics Fund in lieu of charging student participation fees.
11. Donations
Recommend the Board accept the following donations:
 - a. \$2,880 from the Bobcat Boosters for Boys and Girls Middle School Track & Field Uniforms
 - b. \$71 cash donation to the Athletics Department

Mrs. Gephart seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 22-082) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. Classified Resignations
Recommend the Board accept the following classified resignations:
 - a. Bradley Payne; Groundskeeper, effective 2/18/2022
 - b. Kathy Brown; Cook/Cashier, effective 2/22/2022
 - c. Carrie Mollette; LMS Secretary (Data and Records), effective 3/9/2022
2. Classified Notice of Appointments
Recommend the Board approve the following classified Notice of Appointments:
 - a. Desiree Parks; Cook/Cashier (4hrs per day), step 6, \$15.58 per hour, effective 3/3/22
 - b. James Foster; Groundskeeper, step 8, \$22.47 per hour, effective 3/3/22
 - c. Shonda Fickenworth; Substitute Custodian, \$14.81 per hour, effective 3/8/22
 - d. Brianna Dominach; Middle School Secretary (Data and Records), step 6, \$20.75, effective 3/10/22
3. Food Services Change to Notice of Appointments
Recommend the Board approve the following change to Food Service Notice of Appointments:
 - a. Carol Price; Cook/Cashier, increase from 2hrs to 3hrs per day, effective 3/3/2022
4. Supplemental Contracts
Recommend the Board approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2021-2022 school year:

Certificated

- a. Kristi Jump; Tennis, JV Coach Boys, VI-2-9, \$2,189.55
- b. Alison McKnight; Softball, Middle School Coach, V-1-3, \$2,627.46
- c. Meredith Beam; Math Counts, VII-2-7 (.50 FTE), \$858.66
- d. Allyson Sanders; Math Counts, VII-2-6 (.50 FTE), \$858.66

Non-Certificated

- a. Tim Murphy; Track, Assistant Varsity Coach, V-1-1, \$2,627.46
 - b. Cana Ingalls; Track, Middle School Coach, V-1-1, \$2,627.46
 - c. Makenzie Storts; Softball, Assistant Varsity Coach, V-1-1, \$2,627.46
 - d. Kristy Mason; Softball, Head Coach, II-3-M, \$6,130.74
 - e. Jason Diwik; Baseball, Middle School Coach, V-2-6, \$3,284.33 pending successful background check results
5. Stevenson Elementary Building Stipends
Recommend the Board approve the following Stevenson Elementary building stipends for the 2021-2022 school year:
- a. Paula Oswald; Bookroom Maintenance, \$500
 - b. Paula Oswald; SE Digital Sign, \$300
 - c. Shellie Shelf; Bookroom Maintenance, \$500
 - d. Shellie Shelf; SE Digital Sign, \$300
 - e. Emily Deprez; PBIS Coordinator, \$500
 - f. Sarah Feeney; PBIS Coordinator, \$500
 - g. Laura Bova; Wellness/Art Days, \$300
 - h. Tom Gilbert; Wellness/Art Days, \$300
 - i. Hope McDonald; MTSS Coordinator, \$600
 - j. Amy Garrison; MTSS Coordinator, \$600
 - k. Allison Kukura; MTSS Coordinator, \$600
6. Spring Musical Personnel
Recommend the Board approve the following Spring Musical Personnel, to be paid from the activity account (300-9105) for the 2021-2022 school year:
- a. Sybil Baker; Pit orchestra player, \$447.25
7. OHSAA Basketball Tournament Worker Payments
Recommend the Board approve the following payments for the OHSAA Basketball Tournament Workers for the 2021-2022 tournament season:
- a. Ticket Taker/Seller - \$25 per game
 - b. Announcer - \$25 per game
 - c. Athletic Trainer - \$60 per game
 - d. Site Manager - \$70 per game
8. ESCCO Substitute Services Rate Summary
Recommend the Board approve a final summary of all the ESCCO substitute rate updates:
- a. As-needed substitute teachers; \$130 per day / \$70 per half-day
 - b. Long-term and year-long building substitute teachers; \$150 per day / \$90 per half-day
 - c. Substitute nursing services; \$150 per day / \$90 per half day
 - d. A discretionary per diem rate may be awarded for "hard-to-fill" long-term substitute positions up to \$200 per day, with approval from the Superintendent.
9. Classified Substitute Hourly Pay Rates
Recommend the Board to approve classified substitute hourly pay rates be set to 95% of the GHESSA Step 1 rate for each classification of employee, effective March 19, 2022.
10. Job Description
Recommend the Board approve the following updated job description.
- a. Chief Student Growth and Development Officer

11. Administrator Contract
Recommend the Board approve the following Administrative Contract:
 - a. Robert Brown; Chief Student Growth and Development Officer, \$121,061.00, effective August 1, 2022, through July 31, 2025.
12. FMLA Requests
Recommend the Board approve the following FMLA requests:
 - a. Jaroslav Skrbek; Custodian, 7 weeks of leave, effective dates: 2/9/2022 – 4/1/2022
 - b. Maria Murphy; Intervention Specialist, 2 weeks of leave, estimated to begin 5/17/2022 – 5/27/22
 - c. Kelly Miller; Program Specialist (Kids' Club), 4 days of leave, effective dates: 1/25/22 – 1/28/22
13. Extended Unpaid Parental Leave
Recommend the Board approve the following Extended Unpaid Parental Leave request as it appears in the GHEA Agreement, Article VIII Unpaid Leave Section E:
 - a. Alix Scott; Spanish Teacher, estimated dates: 5/16/2022 – 5/27/2022
14. Kids' Club Personnel
Recommend the Board approve the following Kids' Club new hires:
 - a. Samantha Harris; Recreation Leader, \$15.20 per hour, 3/9/2022
 - b. Takwa Hassan; Recreation Leader, \$15.20 per hour, effective 3/3/2022
15. Kids' Club Personnel Changes
Recommend the Board approve the following Kids' Club personnel changes:
 - a. Teuta Habilaj; Team Leader to Substitute, effective 2/4/2022
16. Kids' Club Resignations
Recommend the Board accept the following Kids' Club resignations:
 - a. Cynthia Toler; Team Leader, effective 2/11/2022

Mrs. Matney seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.
Motion carried 5-0.

Curriculum and Instruction

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 22-083) Mr. Gusé moved to approve the following:

1. 2022-2023 School Supply Lists – Stevenson Elementary
Recommend the Board approve the Stevenson Elementary 2022-2023 school supply lists.
2. 2022-2023 School Supply Lists – Larson Middle School
Recommend the Board approve the Larson Middle School 2022-2023 school supply lists.

Mrs. Gephart seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.
Motion carried 5-0.

Co-Curricular Activities and Extracurricular Activities

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 22-084) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. Field Trip
Recommend the Board approve a field trip to the National Model United Nations Conference in New York City, NY:

- a. March 16-21, 2022
- b. 9 students / 1 chaperone
- c. Travel by school van
- d. \$1,145 funded by a GHMC Education Foundation grant

2. Volunteers

Recommend the Board approve the following volunteers:

- a. Alison Barger
- b. Miegan Eyman
- c. Brett Holcomb
- d. April Logue
- e. Sean McCormick
- f. Joddi Neff Massullo
- g. Brittany Stockdale
- h. Kelly Zwink

3. Volunteer Coaches

Recommend the Board approve the following volunteer coach:

- a. Bradley Bauer
- b. Larysa Gilbert

Mr. Gusé seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

Motion 22-085 (Adjourn) Mr. Gusé moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Matney seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Bode, aye; Mrs. Gephart, aye; Mr. Gusé, aye; Mrs. Matney, aye; Ms. Wassmuth, aye.

President Bode declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

President

Treasurer