

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MINUTES OF THE GRANDVIEW HEIGHTS SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
Budget Hearing, Organizational Meeting, and Regular Meeting – January 11, 2023

The Grandview Heights Schools Board of Education met in regular session in the Larson Middle School Media Center.

Budget Hearing

The 2023-24 budget hearing began at 6:45 p.m. Treasurer Beth Collier presented to the Board of Education the Alternative Tax Budget, as required by the Franklin County Budget Commission. The presentation included the following:

- Legal requirements of the tax budget, including deadlines;
- Purpose of the tax budget;
- How the tax budget differs from the 5-year forecast;
- What specifically is included in the tax budget (breakdown of taxes levied; statements of fund activity, which project revenues and expenditures of each levy fund; and a schedule of outstanding bonded debt); and
- Overview of the Ohio Rev. Code budgetary process.

Organizational & Regular Meeting

Call to Order: President Pro-Tempore Emily Gephart called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Members Absent:

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion 23-042 (President) Mrs. Wassmuth moved to elect Emily Gephart as President of the Grandview Heights Schools Board of Education.

Mr. Bode seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Motion 23-043 (Vice-President) Mrs. Matney moved to elect Molly Wassmuth as Vice-President of the Grandview Heights Schools Board of Education.

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.

Motion 23-044 (2023 Board of Education Meetings) Mrs. Gephart moved to approve the following:

Whereas, Ohio Revised Code Section 3313.15 requires that at the time of the organizational meeting each Board of Education shall fix the time for holding its regular meeting, such meetings to be held a minimum of once every two months;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights Schools shall meet on the following dates during 2023 in the new Larson Middle School located at 1600 West First Ave, Columbus, Ohio:

Regular meetings: Wednesday, February 8; Wednesday, March 8; Wednesday, April 12; Wednesday, May 10; Wednesday, June 21; Wednesday, August 9; Wednesday, September 13; Wednesday, October 11; Wednesday, November 8; and Wednesday, December 13. Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved that special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Board of Education.

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.

Motion 23-045 (Organizational Meeting Standing Resolutions) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. ***Resolution to Establish Service Fund***

Whereas, Ohio Revised Code, Section 3315.15 provides for the setting aside from the General Fund a sum not to exceed two dollars for each child enrolled in the District, or twenty thousand dollars, (\$20,000), whichever is greater, as the “service fund”; and

Whereas, this money is to be used for the payment of expenses of the members of the Board of Education or of their official representatives actually incurred in the performance of their duties and in attendance at meetings and conferences as delegates of the Board of Education;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights Schools acknowledges account number 001-2310-439-0000-000000-055-00-000, “Service Fund”, within the 2022-2023 appropriations in the amount of \$3,000, subject to modification by the Board of Education.

2. ***Resolution to Authorize Payment of Bills***

Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights Schools that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay all bills, as they are duly presented, provided funds are available, and to report monthly those bills which have been paid.

3. ***Resolution to Authorize Tax Advances from County Auditor***

Whereas, Ohio Revised Code, Section 321.34 provides for the release of tax advances to a city board of education; and

Whereas, the County Auditor requires receipt of an authorizing resolution passed by a majority vote of the members of the Board of Education requesting the tax advances; and

Whereas, it is deemed to be financially advantageous for the Grandview Heights Schools to promptly receive the 2023 tax monies;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights Schools that the Superintendent and the Treasurer be authorized to request the tax advances for the year 2023.

4. ***Resolution to Authorize Investments of Interim Funds***

Whereas, Ohio Revised Code, Section 135.14 permits Boards of Education to make investments in certificates of deposit of banks, bonds, notes or other obligations to the United States; and

Whereas, it is the intent of the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights Schools to invest funds not currently needed to meet operating costs in order to earn interest on these funds;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights Schools that the policy for investment of cash not currently needed to meet obligations for short periods of time (less than two years) shall be one in which the cash balance remaining on active deposit be as low as is consistent with good business practice and the investment of cash be made according to the following principles: 1) Safety of principal; 2) Liquidity; and 3) Interest earnings.

Now, therefore, be it further resolved that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to determine the amounts of cash not needed to meet current obligations and to invest in certificates of deposit with interest rates most advantageous to the Board of Education and other such investments as authorized under section 135.14 and 135.142 of the Ohio Revised Code.

5. ***Resolution Authorizing Application for Local, State and Federal Funds***

Whereas, Local, State and Federal Funds are made available to Grandview Heights Schools through the Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan (CCIP), etc.;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Superintendent is authorized and duly directed to make application for Local, State and Federal Grants and create funds as necessary.

6. ***Authorize Signature on Checks***

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to sign all checks drawn on bank accounts of the school district as provided for in Section 3313.08, Ohio Revised Code.

7. ***Appointment of Tax Incentive Review Council Representative***

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to represent the Board of Education on the City of Grandview Heights Tax Incentive Review Council.

8. ***Resolution for Waiver of Reading Minutes***

Board Policy provides that each board member receives a copy of the previous meeting's minutes prior to voting on their acceptance. Accordingly, it is not necessary for the Treasurer to read the minutes of previous meetings prior to approval by the board. It is recommended that the Board of Education, in accordance with Section 3313.26, Ohio Revised Code, waive the reading of minutes from previous meetings.

9. ***Resolution to Appoint Superintendent of Schools as Purchasing Agent***

Be it resolved that the Superintendent of Schools or the Superintendent's designee be appointed to serve as purchasing agent for the Board of Education on behalf of the school district.

10. ***Resolution Listing Legal Counsel***

Whereas, Ohio Revised Code, Section 3313.35 outlines authority for boards of education to hire legal counsel; and

Whereas, from time to time it is necessary for boards of education to engage legal counsel to represent the school system;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the firms of Bricker and Eckler; Ice Miller LLP, and Scott Scriven LLP be named as legal counsel;

Now, therefore, be it further resolved that the Superintendent, Treasurer and School Board President are authorized to obtain legal counsel.

11. ***Resolution Authorizing Superintendent to Make Offers of Employment Pending Board Ratification***

Whereas, on occasion it becomes necessary for the Superintendent to make employment decisions during periods when this Board is not in session;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the board authorizes the Superintendent to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or nonteaching positions on behalf of this Board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of this Board, subject to successful background checks and receipt of necessary documentation, and a subsequent vote of ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, the employment shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the Superintendent's offer. Nothing in this resolution shall require the Board to employ or continue to employ an individual who has not provided a criminal record check satisfactory to the Board or who has not satisfied any other prerequisite to employment created by law or Board policy.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the authorization provided by this resolution shall remain in effect until withdrawn by formal action of the Board.

12. ***Resolution Authorizing Superintendent to Accept Resignations***

Whereas, on occasion it becomes necessary for the Superintendent, on behalf of the Board, to accept resignations that have been submitted by employees during times when the Board is not in session;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the board authorizes the Superintendent to accept resignations that have been submitted subject to ratification by the Board. Upon ratification by the Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the authorization provided by this resolution shall remain in effect until withdrawn by formal action of the Board.

13. ***Resolution to Continue Audit Committee***

Be it resolved that all duly elected members of the Board of Education shall continue to serve as the School District's Audit Committee.

14. ***Resolution to Appoint the Board Designee as Public Records Training Designee***

Be it resolved that, Hayley Head, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, be authorized to represent the Board of Education as their public records training attendee for the 2023 year as required by House Bill 9.

15. ***Resolution to Reappoint the District's Title IX Coordinator***

The Board of Education reappoints and reaffirms that Director of Student Services, Mr. Robert Brown, shall serve as the School District's Title IX Coordinator.

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.

Motion 23-046 (OSBA Legislative and Student Achievement Liaisons) Mr. Bode moved to approve the following:

1. OSBA Legislative Liaison: Katie Matney
2. OSBA Student Achievement Liaison: Katie Matney

Ms. Wassmuth seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried 5-0.

Board Meeting Minutes

Recommendation for Approval (Motion 23-047) Mr. Bode moved to approve the following meeting minutes:

1. Special Meeting, December 14, 2022
2. Regular Meeting, December 14, 2022

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.

School Board Appreciation Month – Superintendent Andy Culp

In honor of School Board Appreciation Month, Superintendent Andy Culp recognized and thanked each board member for their continued service to the Grandview Heights Schools and presented them with a certificate of appreciation.

Superintendent's Report

Teaching and Learning

- At Stevenson Elementary, Mrs. Doran, our school counselor, has started her small groups (focused on friendships, emotional regulation, etc.). She currently has almost 60 students participating! As well, Mrs. Doran and Mrs. Keller host Belonging BINGO every Friday where students can choose to play collaborative games of BINGO rather than a traditional recess option.
- At Larson Middle School, the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) team held its third Community Meeting. These monthly community meetings address the values of kindness, working hard, and being safe. January will mark the first meeting of our Bobcat Groups at Larson Middle School. Each and every staff member will have a group of students from grades 4-8 in each group. These groups and meetings are designed to enhance the feel of community within the building.

- At Grandview Heights High School, along with athletics and performing arts, more than 20 clubs and organizations are providing opportunities for active engagement and belonging to our students.

District Wide

- THE MOVE! Thank you to our Larson Middle School and Grandview Heights High Schools staffs and administrators for executing a smooth move and transition into their new space. Our students are enjoying exploring their new buildings. Thank you, too, to Dot Keil and the GHHS PTO for hosting an amazing “moving day” lunch for the LMS, GHHS, and administrative staff!

Community Engagement

- The district hosted a very successful official ribbon cutting ceremony and open house to celebrate the comprehensively renovated Grandview Heights High School on Saturday, January 7, at 11:00 AM.
 - To view the program and photos, visit <https://www.ghschools.org/apps/news/article/1697087>
 - View the Open House Recap here <https://youtu.be/oGvA-HkachQ>
- The Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Dinner and Ceremony will take place on February 4 prior to and during the Boys HS Basketball game.
- ThisWeek News (last articles)
 - Andy Culp Columns:
 - <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2023/01/05/andy-culp-column-grandview-heights-schools-notes-new-year-is-full-of-celebration-and-gratitude/69777739007/>
 - <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2022/12/16/andy-culp-column-grandview-heights-schools-notes-service-celebration-mark-halfway-point-of-year/69733965007/>
 - Old LMS Hosts GHFD, GHPD Simulation Trainings
 - <https://www.dispatch.com/story/news/local/communities/grandview-heights/2023/01/05/old-larson-middle-school-to-provide-fire-department-training-before-demolition/69777497007/>

Construction

Construction Progress Update

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

- Site enhancement phase (Phase 3) of the construction project is underway
- Abatement of the old EI/LMS has begun. Power, water, and gas has been shut off. Demolition will begin on Saturday January 21st and Sunday, January 22nd. The CKE team is requesting a variance for Sunday work to begin the demolition closest to the new LMS while students and staff are not in the building for safety reasons.
- Water Line Break
 - GHHS rooms impacted by the water line break are nearly 100% complete, including drywall, ceilings and floor replacement. Pending is replacement of the casework in the 2nd floor science classroom. Due to lead time, this casework will be replaced over summer break.
 - Replacements for the furniture damaged by the water line break have been ordered.
 - Spray foam insulation has been installed in all of the classrooms with water lines along the west side of the building.
 - The construction team tested the entire plumbing system to ensure no other areas were compromised.
- Middle school gym flooring manufacturer came onsite to demonstrate and train staff on how to properly strip and clean the floor to address the issue of slipperiness.
- There are approximately 150 remaining punch list items on GHHS pending, which the CKE team will see through to completion.
- The CKE team is working on the Oakland Ave parking lot consolidation plan.

Discussion

Mrs. Gephart asked about the student walking paths to school. She mentioned that although the school recommended students on First Ave walk to Oakland Ave to reach the school entrance, some students are walking up Fairview Ave.

Mr. Culp explained that the district consulted with the City on this specific issue and the City believes it is safe for students to walk along Fairview, even though it is preferred for them to walk along Oakland instead. During the demolition of the old EI/LMS, the building will be completely surrounded by fencing to ensure the safety of students walking to school. Mr. Culp did state that he would discuss this with Mr. Shawn Hinkle and request an adult be present to direct students to Oakland Ave.

Mrs. Matney asked whether the City’s work to open Fairview Ave. will be done this year.

Mr. Tadena explained that the work is expected to be done by the start of the 2023-24 school year. Utility work is planned for February – April. The south portion of Fairview will then be completed in May-June with the north portion done in July-August. The City has hired a contractor to complete that work.

Business and Finance

Treasurer Beth Collier presented to the Board on the following:

Financial Highlights

General Fund (001)

- General Fund Revenues
 - Taxes –2nd half settlement rec'd; 46.4% of budget.
 - State Funding – 51% of budget.
 - Property Tax Allocation – 2nd half settlement rec'd; 49.0% of budget.
 - Grandview Yard – 2nd half settlement rec'd; 52.5% of budget.
 - Interest Earnings (Other Revenue) for December 2022: \$31,403.36.
- General Fund Expenditures
 - FYTD Budget: 6 months (50.0%)
 - Total FY Expenditures: 50.0% of budget
- General Fund Investments
 - US Bank Investment account: average yield to maturity 2.48%
 - Star Ohio Yield – 4.48%

Construction Fund (004):

- Interest Earnings for December, 2022: \$34,258.65.
- Interest Earnings Project-to-Date: \$1,897,756 (net of investment advisory fees)
- 80% of Soft Costs have been spent.
- 94.8% of Construction Costs have been spent.
- Current Fund Balance: \$6,214,980.41
- Investments: 1.39% average yield to maturity.
- Star Ohio: 4.48% yield on liquid funds.

Permanent Improvement Fund (003):

- Current Fund Balance: \$1,015,865.63
- Unreserved Fund Balance: \$961,539.74
- Upcoming expenditures:
 - GHM gym entrance restoration, \$7,940.
 - LMS gym shades - \$8,628
 - Auditorium speakers - \$16,996
 - High density music storage – \$20,761.89

Discussion

Mrs. Gephart asked about the insurance coverage for the water link break in the high school.

Ms. Collier explained that the district has been working very closely with its insurance carrier. Cost estimates for the remediation and repair work have been submitted to the insurance company; the estimate for furniture replacement is still in progress. The insurance company executed an advance of \$100,000 to the district to cover initial expenses.

Finance Committee Report

Ms. Wassmuth reported that the Finance Committee met in December and discussed the Kids Club budget and the construction project budget.

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 23-048) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. Then and Now Certification
Recommend the Board approve the following then and now certifications:
 - a. PO 40204, Jerome Kelbley, baseball field maintenance
 - b. PO 40211, Kone, elevator maintenance
 - c. PO 40185, VISA, cafeteria supplies
 - d. PO 40216, META, IEPAnywhere
 - e. PO 40221, Amplified IT, Google Workspace for Education
 - f. PO 40232, Kelly Berlin, mileage reimbursement

- g. PO 40224, Lane Champa, Model UN competition parking reimbursement
- h. PO 40249, Literacy Resources, instructional supplies
- i. PO 40253, Jessica Fields, mileage reimbursement
- j. PO 40242, Food Service Dept, French Club supplies
- k. PO 40286, Steve Hedge, classroom supplies
- l. PO 40283, Staples, professional development supplies
- m. PO 40292, OHSAA, Dues
- n. PO 40302, Sam Belk, mileage reimbursement
- o. PO 40306, Ion Devices, kitchen exhaust cleaning

2. Cornwell Lawn & Landscaping, LLC

Recommend the Board approve a contract with Cornwell Lawn & Landscaping, LLC for lawn maintenance services.

3. Budget Adjustments

Recommend the Board approve the following adjustments:

Appropriations

History Club -\$500

Athletics - \$8,000

4. Resolution to Approve Tax Budget

WHEREAS, Section 5705.28(e) of the Ohio Revised Code provides for the adoption of the tax budget on or before January 15th; and

Whereas, the Treasurer has prepared the tax budget according to guidelines from the State and County Auditors and the Ohio Department of Education; and

Whereas, the Board of Education has conducted a public hearing on the proposed budget in accordance with Ohio Revised Code, Sections 5705.28, 5705.29 and 5705.30;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights Schools adopt the 2023-2024 tax budget and direct the Treasurer to submit the tax budget document to the County Auditor by January 20, 2023.

5. Resolution to Recognize District Support Groups for Liability Insurance and Attachment Other Purposes (RC 3313.20)

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes and acknowledges the enhancements provided by School District support groups (the "Support Groups"); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to extend the School District's liability insurance to the Support Groups in calendar year 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Grandview Heights City School District, Franklin County, Ohio, that:

Section 1.

The entities listed on Exhibit A attached hereto are recognized as Support Groups of the School District for liability insurance and other purposes. Following passage, a signed copy of this resolution shall be filed with the School District's insurance company.

Section 2.

As a condition of remaining a Support Group, such entity shall comply with all policies and practices of the School District.

Section 3.

It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

6. Sportworks Design Consulting Contract

Recommend the Board approve an agreement with Sportworks Design, a division of The Kleingers Group, Inc. ("Sportworks Design"), to serve as the consultant and provide track evaluation, and track pavement cores services for investigation into the existing condition of the track for the District's Grandview Heights High School Track Replacement Project (the "Project"), and the Superintendent requests authority for the Superintendent and Treasurer to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Sportworks Design for these services.

Rationale:

1. The Board has identified a need to renovate the existing track at Bobcat Stadium.
2. The Board requires the services of a consultant to provide track evaluation, and track pavement cores services for investigation into the existing condition of the track for the Project.
3. Accordingly, the District solicited a proposal from Sportworks Design to provide track evaluation, and track pavement cores services for investigation into the existing condition of the track for the Project for \$10,000.00.
4. The proposal is not subject to a qualifications-based selection process, as R.C. 153.71 (B)(1) permits the selection of a design firm without implementing a qualifications-based selection process when the compensation for services will be less than \$25,000 for a project.
5. The Superintendent recommends approving the proposal from Sportworks Design and requests authority to negotiate and execute an agreement with Sportworks Design for consulting services for the Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

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

1. The Board approves an agreement with Sportworks Design for the Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent, working with legal counsel, to negotiate and execute an agreement with Sportworks Design for the track evaluation and track pavement cores services for the Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

7. Baker Tilly

Recommend the Board approve an agreement with Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC to prepare Grandview Yard TIF revenue projections.

8. Videography Services Contract

Recommend the Board approve a videography services contract for 2023.

9. Donation

Recommend the Board accept the following donation:

- a. Beseler 23CLL Enlarger to GHHS from Midwest Photo

Mr. Bode 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 23-049) Ms. Wassmuth moved to approve the following:

1. Contract Expiration Notices

Recommend the Board authorize and direct the Treasurer to notify the following administrators in writing that his/her contract expires on the date indicated, and that he/she may request a meeting with the Board of Education to discuss the Board's reasons for renewal or non-renewal of his/her contract in accordance with State law:

- a. Kristina Brannon; 7/31/2023
- b. Chris Deis; 7/31/2023
- c. Jamie McClary; 7/31/2023
- d. Matt Mowry; 7/31/2023

e. Lisa Sullivan; 7/31/2023

2. Stipend Contracts

Recommend the Board to approve the following stipend contracts for the 2022-2023 school year:

Certificated

- a. Doug Page; AM Duty, \$450 2nd semester
- b. Elizabeth Page; AM Duty, \$450 2nd semester
- c. Melissa Miglesz; AM Duty, \$450 2nd semester
- d. Allyson Sanders; Amy Duty, \$450 2nd semester

3. GHHS Building Stipend

Recommend the Board approve the following GHHS building stipend:

- a. Kevin Richards; Cooking Club, \$600

4. Extra Time Payment

Recommend the Board approve extra time payments for the following supplemental employees for their help during the GHHS move:

- a. Mitch Hyde; \$200 per day (\$100 per half day)
- b. Cary Mitchell; \$200 per day (\$100 per half day)

5. Supplemental Contracts

Recommend the Board approve the following supplemental contract for the 2022-2023 school year:

Non-Certificated

- a. Rachel Courtney; Technical Director/Advisor, Musical, VII-3-M, \$2,255.25 pending results of successful background checks

6. Kids' Club Personnel

Recommend the Board approve the following Kids' Club new hire:

- a. Isabelle Bettinger; Team Leader, \$16.62 per hour, effective 1/17/2023 pending results of successful background checks

Mr. Bode 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

Teaching & Learning Committee

Mr. Gusé reported that the Teaching and Learning Committee met today and discussed the following:

- School Links, a new program that will allow the district to track student data after graduation
- Math options to allow students an alternative to Algebra II. GHS has been approved to teach a pilot new course.

Discussion

Mrs. Gephart asked about the new math course and who the target student audience for that course would be.

Mrs. Ullum explained that the new course is a math modeling and quantitative reasoning course and it would be designed for students who are going to college but majoring in humanities fields where high-level math would not be required. The district applied through the Ohio Department of Education and was approved to teach this new pilot course.

Ms. Wassmuth also explained that the district received the first release of scores for the Third Grade Reading Guarantee and the percentage of passing increased from 60% last year to 82% this year, which is especially remarkable considering the impacts of COVID-19 on these students. Ms. Wassmuth explained that the overall passage rate has always been 100% for the district, but that the improvement in the first release is commendable. Math was the area that had the most room for growth in the scores.

Mrs. Ullum also explained the training requirements of the new dyslexia law. K-3 teachers are required to have 18 hours of training and nearly all of the Stevenson teachers have this training completely finished at this point. They worked on these training modules during the time the 4-12 grade teachers were moving classrooms over winter break.

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 23-050) Mr. Gusé moved to approve the following:

1. Master Exchange of Services Agreement 2023
Recommend the Board approve a Master Exchange of Services Agreement for 2023 with The Ohio State University.

Ms. Wassmuth seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Bode explained his abstention is due to his employment at The Ohio State University.

Motion carried 4-0-1.

Co-Curricular Activities and Extracurricular Activities

Recommendations for Approval (Motion 23-051) Mr. Bode moved to approve the following:

1. Volunteers
Recommend the Board approve the following volunteers:
 - a. Anna Marie Diorio Blum
 - b. Davion Hill
 - c. Lianne Redcay

Ms. Wassmuth 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 23-052 (Adjourn) Mr. Bode moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gusé seconded the motion.

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

President Gephart declared the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

President

Treasurer