

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Regular Board of Education Meeting

A G E N D A



Monday, March 6, 2017
6:30 p.m.
Franklin Campus Auditorium
1331 Franklin, SE

Board Purpose:

“To represent the public’s interest in conceiving, developing, and implementing policies and guidelines which empower the Superintendent to direct the entire Grand Rapids Public Schools’ (GRPS) corporate structure to provide a quality education for all students in the GRPS, and in so doing, produce students who are productive, contributing citizens, and a district with a strong market appeal.”

District Mission Statement:

*“The mission of the Grand Rapids Public Schools is to ensure that all students are **educated, self-directed, and productive** members of society.”*

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**GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**
Monday, March 6, 2017
Board Chambers/Auditorium, 1331 Franklin, SE
6:30 p.m.

We welcome and appreciate your presence at this meeting of the Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education. We respectfully request that you turn off cellular phones and refrain from clapping, cheering, or making audible comments. We invite you to make formal public comment during the designated times on either agenda items, non-agenda items, or if you wish, on both. To do so, please fill out the comment card and submit it to the Board table. Please limit your comments to approximately three minutes. Thank you.

Order of Business

Call to Order

- ◆ Pledge of Allegiance
- ◆ Roll Call
- ◆ Approval of Agenda

- ◆ **Celebration(s)**
 - Energy Star Certification at Buildings
 - Sherwood Field Trip to Washington, D.C.

Report of the Student Representatives to the Board

Public Comment – Board Agenda Items Only

Reports

- ◆ Secretary's Report
- ◆ Committee Chair Update
 - Finance Committee
- ◆ Superintendent's Report
 - 2017 – 2018 School Year Start Date
 - MHSAA Winter Tournaments

- ◆ **Action Item(s)**
 - Resolution Related to Bond Authorizing Resolution
 - WMHIP Resolution Naming Trustee and Alternate Trustee
 - Policy #3665 Food and Nutrition Services Procurement Policy, Second Reading, Final Adoption
 - Policy #7630 Graduation, Second Reading, Final Adoption
 - Policy #7648 Dual Enrollment Second Reading, Final Adoption

Order of Business (Cont.d)

Consent Agenda Grouping

- ◆ Approval of Minutes
 - Special Board Meeting/Work Session – February 13, 2017
 - Board Meeting – February 20, 2017
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- ◆ **Discussion Item(s)** (None)

Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items Only

Superintendent’s Comments

Board Member Comments

Adjournment

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GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN

At a regular meeting of the members of the Board of Education of Grand Rapids Public Schools, County of Kent, Michigan, held in said School District on _____.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member _____ and seconded by Member _____:

RESOLUTION TO WAIVE PROCEDURAL DEFICIT
REGARDING THE BOND AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, at the November 7, 2016 Board meeting the Board unanimously approved the Bond Authorizing Resolution for the 2017 Refunding Bonds upon roll call. However, the record does not reflect that there was a motion or second as required by the Board's Bylaws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Grand Rapids Public Schools waives the requirement that a motion be made and seconded with respect to the Bond Authorizing Resolution approved by roll call of the Board on November 7, 2016, and to let stand the original roll call vote that approved that Resolution.

Upon a vote for the adoption of said Resolution, the vote was:

YEAS:

NAYS:

The Resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of Grand Rapids Public Schools, County of Kent, State of Michigan, at a meeting held on _____, the original of which is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act No. 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by posting at least 18 hours prior to the time set for said meeting.

DATED: _____

Secretary, Board of Education

GOVERNING BODY OF

**GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
(the "Member")**

RESOLUTION NAMING TRUSTEE AND ALTERNATE TRUSTEE

PREMISES

- A. Article 6.1 of the Bylaws of the West Michigan Health Insurance Pool ("WMHIP") requires that each member entity name a Trustee and Alternate Trustee to serve on the Board of Trustees for the WMHIP.
- B. The Governing Body of the Member has chosen individuals in accordance with Article 6.1 to serve as Trustee and Alternate Trustee.
- C. The Governing Body of the Member believes that these individuals will represent the interests of the Member in the WMHIP.
- D. Neither of these individuals are an owner officer, or employee of any third-party administrator or any other third party providing services to WMHIP.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the Member hereby resolves:

1. The Governing Body hereby confirms its appointment of the following persons as Trustee and Alternate Trustee to serve as Trustee when the initial Trustee is not available or in attendance to carry out the Trustee's duties:

Amy Robinson, Benefits Manager (Trustee)

Larry Oberst, Chief Financial Officer (Alternate Trustee)

The Trustee and Alternate Trustee shall serve until replaced by action of the Governing Body of the Member. Failure of the Member to designate a Trustee, or the failure of that Trustee/Alternate Trustee to participate on the Board of Trustees, shall not affect the responsibilities or duties of the Member under the Amended Trust Agreement.

2. Once these appointments are made known to WMHIP, the above-named individuals shall remain in office until WMHIP receives evidence of appointment of other persons.

3. Evidence of these appointments shall be communicated to WMHIP by providing a certified copy of this resolution.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the _____, _____ Counties, State of Michigan, at a _____ meeting held on _____, 2017, and that this meeting was conducted and public notice of this meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of this meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by this Act.

I further certify that the following Members were present at this meeting:

_____ and that the following Members were absent _____.

I further certify that the foregoing resolution was moved by Member _____ and seconded by Member _____.

I further certify that the following Members voted for adoption of the foregoing resolution: _____ and that the following Members voted against adoption of this resolution: _____.

Secretary

Introduction

The Grand Rapids Public Schools (hereinafter “GRPS” or “District”) desires to establish a fair and transparent purchasing policy and processes to ensure that its students receive the best products and services possible at the most reasonable price. This policy specifically applies to the Grand Rapids Food and Nutrition Services Department (hereinafter “GRPSFS”) and incorporate the District’s overall purchasing rules where applicable.

General Provision

GRPSFS will utilize the guidelines provided by the Michigan Department of Education to determine if purchase request must be approved by an MDE official (Administrative Policy NO. 13) Administrative Rules 3665

GRPSFS will maintain a contract administration system which will ensure that contractors perform in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of their contracts or purchase orders.

GRPSFS will verify that all food program contracts and procurements are net of all applicable discounts, rebates, and credits. All contractors will maintain records and source documents in support of all costs, discounts, rebates, and credits.

GRPSFS will retain all food program records for three years after final payments and/or three years after any pending matters have been closed and completed.

GRPS reserves the right to reject all bids based on staff evaluation and to ask for new bids.

Such reservation shall be so specified in the publication or notification of bid letting.

GRPS reserves the right to waive any informality in, or reject any part of, a bid.

GRPSFS is a member of the Great Lakes Consortium.

GRPSFS Purchasing Requirements**1. Purchases greater than \$25,000:**

If the amount exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) a contract must be awarded through a formal competitive bid process. A call for bids or request for proposals (RFP) shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Grand Rapids, as well as published in a newspaper generally circulated state-wide and posted on the district’s website. The call for bids or RFPs may also be published in a regional newspaper. Purchases greater than \$25,000 will require Board approval.

2. Purchases between \$3,000 and \$25,000:

GRPSFS will obtain competitive written quotes from at least three vendors.

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3. Purchases less than \$3,000:

Any purchase below three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) is considered a micro-purchase. Micro-purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotes if the price is considered reasonable. To the extent feasible; however, GRPSFS must distribute micro-purchases equitably among qualified suppliers.

4. Emergency Purchases

GRPSFS will comply with the emergency purchase guidelines outlined in GRPS Board Policy 3610 and 3610-R.

Bid Specification Requirements

Bid specifications will be written by Food Services personnel and presented to the Purchasing Department for distribution. GRPSFS contracts will not be awarded to any potential vendor who writes any of the bid specifications, the solicitation documents, or any of the contract language for the solicitation.

Identical bid specifications and/or request for proposals will be provided to all potential vendors.

Bid Procedures

GRPSFS will follow the process outlined in GRPS Board Policy, Section 3000 – Fiscal Management 3660-R Bids and Quotation Requirements

Geographic Preference

Pursuant to state law, no local preference will be granted for contracts paid for with federal funds.

Buy American

GRPSFS will adhere to “Buy American”. Therefore Food Service is required to purchase, to the maximum extent possible, domestic products for use in meals served in our Child Nutrition Program. However, exceptions are allowed when:

- a. Food preferences can only be met with foreign goods
- b. Insufficient quantity and/or quality is available in the USA
- c. Domestic cost is significantly higher

Debarment and Suspension

All potential vendors will be required to complete the debarment and suspension certification form Administrative Rules 3665

Standard of Conduct for GRPS Employees

GRPSFS will adhere to GRPS Board Policy 3610 and 3610-R.

Bid Protest Procedures

The bid protest procedures outlined in GRPS Board Policy Rule 3660-R shall apply.

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Approved:

LEGAL REFERENCE: MCL.380.1274

Upon graduation students will be:

Educated, and therefore, able to:

- Apply skills and knowledge learned from a rigorous and relevant core curriculum.
- Demonstrate proficiency in current technologies.
- Transfer career and employability skills across multiple settings.
- Pursue lifelong learning to succeed in a changing global community.

Self-Directed, and therefore, able to:

- Use a high degree of self-awareness to facilitate making life-directing decisions.
- Identify and initiate career-appropriate post-secondary options.

Productive, and therefore, able to:

- Appreciate and respect cultural and individual diversity.
- Actively participate as productive members of a democratic society.

Graduates will meet all GRPS requirements which may include specific requirements for students participating in dual enrollment, Early/Middle College Programs, and other Theme School options. These requirements will meet or exceed the minimum graduation requirements as defined by the State of Michigan

Approved: June 29, 2009

Revised:

LEGAL REF: MCL 380.1278a, 388.513, 388.514, 388.1621b, 388.1661b

Section 7000 – Instructional Program

7648 Dual Enrollment and Early/Middle College

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The Board desires to encourage and enable students to enroll in a variety of courses or programs at postsecondary institutions.

Dual Enrollment

Dual enrollment in postsecondary institutions shall be made available to eligible students in accordance with state guidelines. Dual Credit

Students successfully completing the requirements of a course offered by a Michigan postsecondary institution shall receive high school credit providing all guidelines have been met.

Early/ Middle College Program

The District may offer an Early/Middle College Program for students. An Early/Middle College Program is a five-year high school program designed to allow a student to earn a high school diploma and either an associate's degree, the Michigan Early/Middle College Association (MEMCA) technical certification or up to 60 transferable college credits at the same time.

The dual enrollment and Early/Middle College Program shall meet or exceed the State's requirement for graduation.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to promote, encourage, and support students participating in dual enrollment and Early/Middle College programs.

Approved: June 29, 2009

Revised:

LEGAL REF: MCL 388.513, 388.514, 388.1621b, 388.1661b

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are being presented for the acceptance/approval of the Board:

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GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

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**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING/WORKSESSION
ROOM 101, REV. LYMAN S. PARKS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
1331 FRANKLIN, SE**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Falb.

Present: Ross, Schottke, Slade, Flores, Grant, Matias, President Falb – 8.

Absent: Lewis - 1.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Falb asked if there were any corrections/additions to the agenda. There being none, the agenda is approved as written.

Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Legislative Update

The legislative update was moved to the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Helmholdt and Mr. Merchant provided a legislative update to the Board. They shared that it is pretty early in the legislative session so there is not a ton of new education issues that are up. There is one that is getting a lot of attention and that is around the School Reform Office (SRO). There is legislation to eliminate the office. Senator Pavlov has been holding hearings but if they repeal this, then what. What will replace it is the question. Senator Pavlov has spent a great deal of time talking with schools regarding the SRO. However; the clock is ticking as the SRO is talking about closing schools. Dr. Falb wondered to what extent is this connected with the states version of Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)? Mr. Merchant shared that they seem to be siloed. Teresa shared that the SRO presented to the Education Commission and it is just one more strand and is not part of the state's 10 by 10. It is being recommended to remove the SRO and then replace with what. SRO is not part of MDE any longer. One of the top three priorities in the house is pension reform. Mr. Merchant also shared that there are bills in the house to repeal the common core and another on calendar prohibition in collective bargaining. He just wanted to make everyone aware. Mr. Helmholdt shared that we have good representation on the house and appropriations side. It was also shared that tomorrow is Capital Day in Lansing and President Falb, Ms. Slade and Ms. Grant will be attending along with Mr. Helmholdt. Mr. Helmholdt stated that we will share our transformation plan and our three priorities will be budget, SRO repeal and pension reform. Mr. Merchant shared that this Boards commitment has made a difference.

Post Governor's Proposed Budget

Mr. Oberst shared highlights of the Governor's budget and the house and senate will weigh in based on this. No final budget will happen prior to the middle of May or beginning of June. Overall it is pretty good. We did not get inflation again. Since 2011 the total state K-12 appropriations have increased \$1.6 billion and total state funding per pupil has increased by over \$1300 since 2012. Mr. Oberst shared a slide regarding the foundation allowance. Our projected foundation allowance per student looks to be \$7611. Inflation has not kept pace. Mr. Oberst shared the following highlights

K – 12 financing:

- Overall increase in State funding of \$279 million, or 2%
- Foundation Allowance increase of \$50 to \$100 per pupil - \$128 million for GRPS
 - \$100 for GRPS to \$7611/pupil
 - \$1.7 million in additional funding based on current enrollment
- \$22 million in additional per pupil funding for high school students – \$50 per pupil
 - Equates to \$175, 000 for GRPS based on the current high school enrollment
- \$7 Million for declining enrollment districts – GRPS no longer qualifies
- \$243.9 million for Great Start Readiness Programs (GSRP). No change from fiscal year (FY) 2017
 - GRPS to receive approximately \$4.3 million in FY 2017 for GSRP
- At risk funding increases by \$150 million to a total of \$529 million, a 40% increase
 - Potentially an additional \$1million to \$2 million to GRPS
 - Previous accountability standards suspended

- Replaced by 3rd grade ELA, 8th grade Math, Attendance, HS College/Career Readiness
- Bottom 30% comparison – 2020 – 2021
- \$9 million for Early/Middle college program – same as FY 2017
- \$20 million for CTE equipment upgrades
- \$2.5 million for First Robotics program – same as FY 2017
- Foundation Allowance reduced by 20% for virtual schools

Michigan Public Schools Employee Retirement System (MPSERS):

- State funding for MPSERS totals \$1.1 billion
 - Increased \$26 million over FY 2017
- Two year phase in to reduce rate of return on investments to 7.5% from 8%
- Retirement rates on MIP/Basic increases 0.62%
 - An additional \$600,000 expense for GRPS

Other:

- \$1.4 billion for Special Education programs
 - Looks to be approximately \$10 million less than FY2017
- No change in membership blend - 90% fall count/10% spring count
- \$2 million for itinerant funding – two counties qualify for this, we are one of the two
- Concurrent/Dual Enrollment maintained
- Shared-Time capped at \$60 million (currently \$115 million)
 - Will be paid from new categorical, not Foundation Allowance
- Aid to Flint totals \$48.8 million for FY 2018

Mr. Oberst summarized the potential new revenue for a total of \$3,425,000:

- Foundation Allowance increase \$1,700,000
- Additional funding for high school students \$175,000
- Additional At-risk funding \$1, 500, 000 (probably more like \$1,000,000)
- Early/Middle college \$50,000

Based on FY 2017 General Fund Revenue budget of \$206,118,000, this would be an approximate 1.7% increase over FY 2017. Inflation rate in 2016 was 2.1%.

Passing of the enhancement millage would help GRPS very much. It would be in the area of \$3 million. (Dr. Baker arrived at 5:15 p.m.)He also shared the executive recommendation, school aid (hard copy was provided). President Falb shared that she felt this was very helpful.

Projection/Enrollment Update

Superintendent Neal wanted to share that we are anticipating a 50 student increase for next year. Ridgemoor Montessori, that is opening for 2017 – 18, is already full. About half of this enrollment is new to GRPS. Remember we do not receive funds for 3 – 4 year old programs. Superintendent Neal shared that we will keep the Board posted with enrollment updates.

NSBA Advocacy Conference – Attendees Report

Board members that attended the NSBA conference shared feedback with the other members. Rev. Matias, President Falb and Ms. Grant shared that they felt the Equity Symposium was very impactful. Dr. Leslie Fenwick from Howard University, the lunch speaker was awesome.

Superintendent Evaluation Tool Review Committee Update

Mr. Ross shared that at the BOE retreat he was advocating for the MASB tool but after further review and conversation feels the Advance Ed tool would be the better choice. Mr. Ross felt that this tool gave greater opportunity to connect the work and gives more flexibility. The training cost for this is roughly \$1200. The initial training would include Superintendent Neal and Mr. Ross and then would be brought to the entire Board. Mr. Ross shared that about 40% of the districts in this state use this tool. MASB tool has predetermined growth numbers and the committee agreed that some are unreasonable. The Advance Ed tool gives more flexibility to identify goals and measures for our work as a district. Ms. Grant shared that in looking at the MASB tool the committee felt that there was not much flexibility, had a broad range of goals, it did not tie into the duties of the superintendent's work and it was weighted too heavily in some areas. Dr. Falb was very pleased with the work on behalf of the committee. The committee will invite Mr. David Stuit to attend a meeting to begin to look at reasonable goals for the evaluation. Mr. Stuit is with Basis Policy Research and assisted with the present teacher evaluation system that is being used in GRPS. Our current tool is not an option as it is not validated. We need to use a validated rubric for the superintendent's evaluation.

ACTION ITEM

Student Reinstatement

Motion by Ms. Slade, supported by Mr. Ross that the Student Reinstatement be accepted.

Carried: Yeas: Ross, Schottke, Slade, Baker, Grant, Matias, President Falb – 7.

Nays: Flores – 1.

President Falb thanked the members who have stepped up to do the reinstatement hearings.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS (CONT.)

2017 – 18 Calendar

Ms. Pitts shared that we have to comply with the ISD common calendar. The legislature states we need to start school after Labor Day. The ISD applied for a waiver to start two weeks earlier than Labor Day. It was granted. However; GRPS is only requesting to start on week prior. We all wanted to get the two weeks back in December for the holiday break. We are trying the early start gradually and then see if we go with two weeks early the following year. Superintendent Neal shared that we need 75% of our students to show in order to get the dollars. She shared that if students come back early the staff comes back even earlier and Superintendent Neal did not want to make that type of shift right away. She shared that GRPS, Wyoming, Lee and Kentwood decided to do the start date together. We know that suspensions jump just before Christmas and we need the break of two weeks. We need to get the information out into the community. We need the start date for negotiations purposes. No one wants to go deep into June. This will move the graduation dates up. GREA is jumping for joy that we have the two weeks back at Christmas time. It was a main driving point for the early start date.

Lay-Off Resolution

Superintendent wanted to share that there are potential lay-offs coming. We do not have a list at this time. She shared that with the State holding back 20 % of funding from Title I and Title II

we may have to lay-off staff. We also have the Governor's 21st Century Commission and the new Secretary of Education, so we do not know what will be forth coming.

Superintendent went right into the Christian/Catholic Schools who may split from us. The Christian Schools are splitting from Title I & II but will keep shared time. The staff funded by these grants would need to be laid off. Some of the people could have a chance to apply for jobs through GRPS. With the Catholic Schools, only the Catholic Schools may go away all together and if they split that would be a loss of 400 FTE and 100's of employees. This has not been decided as of yet. We have talked about messaging regarding all of this. The message for the Catholic Schools is that we do not want them to leave this partnership as we have been together for 140 years. This is exactly what I told the Bishop in our conversations.

Ms. Pitts stated that we will ask the Board for permission to lay-off if needed and we then will bring you names to the Board. We do have two names we will be bringing to the Board. We do have an internal process in place prior to lay-offs. Superintendent stated the resolution will be a bit loose at this time as we need to get through the budget cycle prior to any lay-offs and get the Catholic Schools decision.

Naming Rights/Capital Campaign

Mr. Helmholdt shared that we continue to work on the Capital Campaign and our remaining goal is \$7.7 million. Our consultant has approached us with the thought of naming rights and the idea is not uncommon around town provided that the donation is of a specific amount. Naming rights would be for areas such as the library, halls, rooms and so forth. Major asks are coming fast and quick and would love to bring this to the table. We could set the precedence of how long the name stays and if there is a renewal. We could bring this to the consultant and ask. Dr. Baker feels that this is a tough position for the Board. He shared that it seems like there may be possible political consequences. The question arose regarding if there is anyone controversial at this time. It was shared that anyone could be controversial. It is a slippery slope. Rev. Matias wondered what our policy says. We do not currently have a policy on this. Dr. Falb shared that this is a common practice. Dr. Falb stated that the request has the blessing to move forward with noted concerns.

Dr. Flores shared that we received information regarding schools and PEP make up. He feels there are patterns there and we need to look at what we can do regarding the patterns that are seen in the report around racially divided schools. We need to think proactively and begin to address this as a long term plan around equity.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Secretary

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD CHAMBERS/1331 FRANKLIN, SE**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Falb.

Present: Schottke, Slade, Baker, Flores, Grant, Lewis, Matias, Ross, and President Falb – 9.

Absent: 0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Falb asked if there were any corrections or additions to the agenda. There being none, the agenda is approved as written.

Motion by Ms. Slade, supported by Mr. Ross, that the agenda be approved as written.

Carried: Yeas: Schottke, Slade, Baker, Flores, Grant, Lewis, Matias, Ross, and
President Falb – 9.

Nays: 0.

CELEBRATIONS

Martin Luther King Jr. Essay Contest

Mr. Rick Noel, Executive Director of Pre-K – Elementary and K-8 Instructional Support, introduced Ms. Carmen Fernandez, Head Principal at Southwest Community Campus and Mr. Rodney Martin, from Warner, Norcross, and Judd. Ms. Fernandez shared this was her 12 th year working on the contest with Mr. Martin and Robin Keith. Students are able to research a great leader and articulate their feelings about him. The top three prize winners read their essays. Mr. Martin provided that he appreciates all the support provided by Ms. Fernandez. This year the essay submissions were up and received over 300 entries. Each essay was written based on three prompts concerning Dr. King’s legacy. More than 50 attorneys and staff read and judged the essays and were read by at least six people each. Staff was impressed with the quality of the essays.

The top three essay winners read their winning entries: Tess Cepaitis, Grand Prize from Riverside; Myaja Dunning, First Runner Up at Gerald R. Ford Academic Center; and Second Runner Up, Carmen Perdomo from Southwest Community Campus.

There were 24 students that received Honorable Mentions represented from Burton Middle, Gerald R. Ford Academic Center, Grand Rapids Montessori, Grand Rapids Public Museum School, Riverside Middle, Shawmut Hills, and Southwest Community Campus.

Junior Giants

Dr. Ron Gorman, Assistant Superintendent of PreK-12 and Instruction shared that the Giants Awards held their first ever, Junior Giants recognition with two GRPS students being recognized. He was joined by Mr. Mark Frost, Head Principal of Innovation Central High and Ms. Kenyatta Hill form Grand Rapids University Prep. Junior Giants The essence of a Junior Giant is to demonstrate leadership, community involvement and impact, academic and/or athletic accomplishments, and academic achievement/academic progress. It was a competitive field with many students submitting essays. Justice Shoals from Central High School and Hannibal Spencer from Grand Rapids University Prep Academy were named as the recipients. They were honored at the Giants event and are here to share with you.

Ms. Hill and Mr. Frost highlighted the many qualities that make these students uniquely qualified to be Junior Giants.

REPORT OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD

Gabrielle Clarke shared that Ottawa Hills has done a cinematic celebration in honor of Black History Month during the month of February every Friday for the purpose of demonstrating that everyone has a role in the civil rights movement and provided discussion.

Robert Flippo was excused.

PUBLIC COMMENT- BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

None.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Ms. Jen Schottke presented the following reports:

Board Committee Meeting Schedule Update

Academic Achievement Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Chambers. Finance Committee will be meeting on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers.

FAFSA Deadline Approaching

The deadline to submit for Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is quickly approaching. If your child will be attending college in the fall, you must complete the FAFSA by March 1st to be eligible for financial aid, including grants, loans, and work study programs. According to the FAFSA website, each year, FAFSA awards more than \$150 billion in student aid. Need help? Contact your school's counseling office for assistance with the FAFSA. You can also contact Shayla Willis, To College Through College Coordinator, at swillis@grand-rapids.mi.us or 456-3102.

COMMITTEE CHAIR UPDATE

Ad Hoc Committee

Ms. Jen Schottke shared that the Ad Hoc Policy Committee met for the first time the previous week. The committee sees itself with having two primary roles including a comprehensive review of current, existing GRPS policy along with support of staff. They will condense them so they are easier to navigate. The other is to be the first set of eyes to vet them before they go to the whole Board.

Academic Achievement Committee

Rev. John Matias shared that the first meeting will be February 21, 2017 and shared a glimpse of what the committee will be looking at. The committee oversees all of the academic things that happens in the district. At the meeting, the committee will be looking at the District Wide Plan for Improvement and Priority Schools progress, There are also science materials that will be discussed needed for purchase.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Early/Middle College Program at Ottawa Hills

Dr. Ron Gorman highlighted the Early/Middle College program selection students attending Ottawa Hills have offered to them beginning in 2017-2018.

- The program offers students the opportunity to earn their high school diploma and up to 60 transferrable credits at the same time adding one extra year to their high school experience.
- Beginning in the Fall of 2017, students with a minimum 2.5 grade point average identified as eligible will be offered to enroll in this program.
- The District identified student eligibility based on January 2017 report cards.
- Students who enter the program in grade 10 will be asked to remain in the program once they start and to attend a year 13.
- By participating in year 13, students will save money and not have to dip into their financial aid thus saving them on costs contributed to college enrollment.
- The District is partnering with Grand Rapids Community College.
- GRCC will provide GRPS students with their resources such as counseling and academic support.
- Students will take two college classes in grade 10, four in grade 11, six in grade 12, and eight in year 13 and a high school mathematics type class. Textbooks will be provided by the school district saving additional expenses to students. The final year, or fifth year all but one class will be taken at GRCC.
- Letters have gone home to the families of all eligible students. An Early/Middle College dinner took place at Ottawa Hills along with representatives from GRCC to share more information about this opportunity. The goal is to have two sections of students enrolled in the program or 50.

Students still get to go through the commencement ceremony during their fourth year and will walk across the stage. They will walk again during the fifth year with 60 college credits.

A board member asked if the 60 credits will be geared toward a specific associate's degree or count towards another. The credits will go toward a liberal arts degree but as students are matriculating through the program and interested in a career path at GRCC, the experience can be customized. Students can get an associate's degree, 60 transferrable credits, or a certificate. Credits will be transferrable to most institutions. GRCC instructors will teach the courses. GRPS staff with Master's Degrees in teachable areas may be eligible to instruct courses as well. The savings for the credits is a significant investment. There are about 125 programs like this statewide. Parents have been receptive about the program. At this time the program will be offered at Ottawa Hills only.

ACTION ITEMS

KISD Schools of Choice Resolution

Motion by Mr. Ross supported by Ms. Slade to accept the 2017 – 2018 KISD Schools of Choice Resolution.

Carried: Yeas: Schottke, Slade, Baker, Flores, Grant, Lewis, Matias, Ross, and President Falb – 9.

Nays: 0.

Kent Intermediate School District
SCHOOLS of CHOICE
RESOLUTION TO OPT OUT OF SECTION 105
(State Schools of Choice Program)

Board member _____ moves that the Board of Education of the Public School District, exercising the option permitted by *Section 105* of the State School Aid Act of 1979, as amended by Public Act 300 of 1996, will not accept *Section 105* applications of non-resident students from outside our district, for purposes of operating an intermediate school district-wide schools of choice program in accordance with Section 105 for the 2017-18 school year.

Contiguous Intermediate School Districts
Schools of Choice
RESOLUTION TO OPT IN TO SECTION 105c
(State Schools of Choice Program)

Board Member _____ moves that the Board of Education of the School District, exercising the option permitted by Section 105c of the State School Aid Act, Public Act 119 of 1999, as amended by Public Act 297 of 2000, will accept applications for enrollment from residents of contiguous intermediate school districts for the 2017-18 school year.

RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
KENT ISD COLLABORATIVE SCHOOLS OF CHOICE PROGRAM

Board Member _____ moves that the Board of Education of the Public School District will participate in the Kent Intermediate School District Collaborative Schools of Choice Program for the 2017-18 school year.

Policy #3665 Food and Nutrition Services Procurement Policy, Acceptance of First Reading
Motion by Slade, supported by Grant to approve Policy #3665 Food and Nutrition Services Procurement Policy, Acceptance of First Reading.

Carried: Yeas: Schottke, Slade, Baker, Flores, Grant, Lewis, Matias, Ross, and
President Falb – 9.

Nays: 0.

Section 3000: Fiscal Management
3665 Food and Nutrition Services Procurement

Introduction

The Grand Rapids Public Schools (hereinafter “GRPS” or “District”) desires to establish a fair and transparent purchasing policy and processes to ensure that its students receive the best products and services possible at the most reasonable price. This policy specifically

applies to the Grand Rapids Food and Nutrition Services Department (hereinafter “GRPSFS) and incorporate the District’s overall purchasing rules where applicable.

General Provision

GRPSFS will utilize the guidelines provided by the Michigan Department of Education to determine if purchase request must be approved by an MDE official (Administrative Policy NO. 13) Administrative Rules 3665

GRPSFS will maintain a contract administration system which will ensure that contractors perform in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications of their contracts or purchase orders.

GRPSFS will verify that all food program contracts and procurements are net of all applicable discounts, rebates, and credits. All contractors will maintain records and source documents in support of all costs, discounts, rebates, and credits.

GRPSFS will retain all food program records for three years after final payments and/or three years after any pending matters have been closed and completed.

GRPS reserves the right to reject all bids based on staff evaluation and to ask for new bids. Such reservation shall be so specified in the publication or notification of bid letting.

GRPS reserves the right to waive any informality in, or reject any part of, a bid.

GRPSFS is a member of the Great Lakes Consortium.

GRPSFS Purchasing Requirements

1. Purchases greater than \$25,000:

If the amount exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) a contract must be awarded through a formal competitive bid process. A call for bids or request for proposals (RFP) shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Grand Rapids, as well as published in a newspaper generally circulated state-wide and posted on the district’s website. The call for bids or RFPs may also be published in a regional newspaper. Purchases greater than \$25,000 will require Board approval.

2. Purchases between \$3,000 and \$25,000:

GRPSFS will obtain competitive written quotes from at least three vendors.

3. Purchases less than \$3,000:

Any purchase below three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) is considered a micro-purchase. Micro-purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotes if the price is considered reasonable. To the extent feasible; however, GRPSFS must distribute micro-purchases equitably among qualified suppliers.

4. Emergency Purchases

GRPSFS will comply with the emergency purchase guidelines outlined in GRPS Board Policy 3610 and 3610-R.

Bid Specification Requirements

Bid specifications will be written by Food Services personnel and presented to the Purchasing Department for distribution. GRPSFS contracts will not be awarded to any potential vendor who writes any of the bid specifications, the solicitation documents, or any of the contract language for the solicitation.

Identical bid specifications and/or request for proposals will be provided to all potential vendors.

Bid Procedures

GRPSFS will follow the process outlined in GRPS Board Policy, Section 3000 – Fiscal Management 3660-R Bids and Quotation Requirements

Geographic Preference

Pursuant to state law, no local preference will be granted for contracts paid for with federal funds.

Buy American

GRPSFS will adhere to “Buy American”. Therefore Food Service is required to purchase, to the maximum extent possible, domestic products for use in meals served in our Child Nutrition Program. However, exceptions are allowed when:

- a. Food preferences can only be met with foreign goods
- b. Insufficient quantity and/or quality is available in the USA
- c. Domestic cost is significantly higher

Debarment and Suspension

All potential vendors will be required to complete the debarment and suspension certification form Administrative Rules 3665

Standard of Conduct for GRPS Employees

GRPSFS will adhere to GRPS Board Policy 3610 and 3610-R.

Bid Protest Procedures

The bid protest procedures outlined in GRPS Board Policy Rule 3660-R shall apply.

Approved:

LEGAL REFERENCE: MCL.380.1274

Policy #7630 Graduation Requirements, Acceptance of First Reading

Motion by Slade supported by Grant to approve Policy #7630 Food and Nutrition Procurement Policy, Acceptance of First Reading.

Carried: Yeas: Schottke, Slade, Baker, Flores, Grant, Lewis, Matias, Ross, and
President Falb – 9.

Nays: 0.

Section 7000: Instructional Program
7630 Graduation Requirements

Upon graduation students will be:

Educated, and therefore, able to:

- Apply skills and knowledge learned from a rigorous and relevant core curriculum.
- Demonstrate proficiency in current technologies.
- Transfer career and employability skills across multiple settings.
- Pursue lifelong learning to succeed in a changing global community.

Self-Directed, and therefore, able to:

- Use a high degree of self-awareness to facilitate making life-directing decisions.
- Identify and initiate career-appropriate post-secondary options.

Productive, and therefore, able to:

- Appreciate and respect cultural and individual diversity.
- Actively participate as productive members of a democratic society.

Graduates will meet all GRPS requirements which may include specific requirements for students participating in dual enrollment, Early/Middle College Programs, and other Theme School options.

These requirements will meet or exceed the minimum graduation requirements as defined by the State of Michigan

Approved: June 29, 2009

Revised:

LEGAL REF: MCL 380.1278a, 388.513, 388.514, 388.1621b, 388.1661b

Policy #7648 Dual Enrollment First Reading, Acceptance of First Reading

Motion by Slade supported by Ross to approve Policy #7648 Dual Enrollment First Reading, Acceptance of First Reading.

Carried: Yeas: Schottke, Slade, Baker, Flores, Grant, Lewis, Matias, Ross, and
President Falb – 9.

Nays: 0.

Section 7000: Instructional Program
7648 Dual Enrollment

The Board desires to encourage and enable students to enroll in a variety of courses or programs at postsecondary institutions.

Dual Enrollment

Dual enrollment in postsecondary institutions shall be made available to eligible students in accordance with state guidelines. Dual Credit

Students successfully completing the requirements of a course offered by a Michigan postsecondary institution shall receive high school credit providing all guidelines have been met.

Early/ Middle College Program

The District may offer an Early/Middle College Program for students. An Early/Middle College Program is a five-year high school program designed to allow a student to earn a high school diploma and either an associate's degree, the Michigan Early/Middle College Association (MEMCA) technical certification or up to 60 transferable college credits at the same time.

The dual enrollment and Early/Middle College Program shall meet or exceed the State's requirement for graduation.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to promote, encourage, and support students participating in dual enrollment and Early/Middle College programs.

Approved: June 29, 2009

Revised:

LEGAL REF: MCL 388.513, 388.514, 388.1621b, 388.1661b

BUSINESS ITEMS

Parent Advisors for Special Education

The following Parent Advisors for Special Education (PASE) were nominated and approved under the Consent Agenda for appointments to serve vacant terms (2016-2017 and 2017-2018).

- ◆ Amanda Calvneau
- ◆ Jamie Riehle

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Legislative Day

A few members of the board joined Mr. John Helmholdt, Executive Director of Communications and External Affairs for a day to meet with legislators in Lansing on February 14, 2017. Ms. Slade shared that the Grand Rapids Public Schools has made great efforts to reach out and work with legislatures. She thanked Superintendent Neal for her work on this. Ms. Grant agreed and expressed that it was a great time to learn information about what GRPS is able to do and share the potential of public schools. She felt this was a great refresher for senators and representatives to hear from them as decisions are made that affect students. President Falb shared that they were able to express their appreciation as well for how much the Governor's proposed budget was moved toward reflecting the cost toward education. Thank you was expressed as well to John Helmholdt and Rusty Merchant for their work.

PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

None.

BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Lewis shared that she had a wonderful experience attending the Advocacy Institute in Washington, D.C.

Rev. Matias shared that when members of the board travels to Lansing, they are doing so to represent families in a positive light to move forward as an urban district. The hard work and sacrifice and setting up the meetings is exciting and the hard work going in to do this.

Ms. Schottke shared that she is proud of the students and enjoyed them at the meeting. She cited three takeaways and reminders from listening to them such as where we are from does not define our character, if it is not my point of view, and silence speaks louder than words. She is proud of the students.

Dr. Baker shared that To College Through College is holding its annual summit on March 2 to help the community learn how it can support students succeed through college.

Ms. Grant was so impressed by the students' essays and the Junior Giants.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Secretary

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Ad Hoc Calendaring Committee

Monday, February 27, 2017

Rev. Lyman S. Parks Administration Building, Room 101

8:08 a.m.

Present: Dr. Falb – Co-Chair, Dr. Tony Baker, and Mr. Ross

Absent: Rev. John Matias, Chair

Staff: Superintendent Teresa Weatherall Neal, Larry Oberst, and Carolyn Evans

Public Comment

None

Permanent Finance and Academic Reporting for the Board Calendar

Dr. Falb opened the meeting expressing that the purpose for the Ad Hoc Calendaring Committee was to get consensus on standing items for the Board as a whole as it relates to key indicators for finance and academics for the year. She has done some brainstorming and wanted to provide this opportunity to discuss this. She will bring the calendar items to the Superintendent and then the full board once the standing items are established.

Rev. Matias joined the meeting at 8:09 a.m.

Finance Committee Calendar Items

Dr. Baker provided that he and Mr. Oberst had met to discuss Finance Committee agenda items that were pertinent to the committee and full board.

Dr. Baker also shared that the Finance Committee receives a financial data dashboard every month that will include the fund balance based on the current budget amendment for the purpose of being conscientious of what the expected fund balance will be at the end of the year. It wouldn't change, rather be repeated until it changes based on a subsequent budget amendment.

Superintendent Neal asked Mr. Oberst to look into quarterly budget balance updates. Superintendent Neal would like to look at a more realistic balance or quarterly budget balance but does not want to over-promise expectations. In the spring it would be ideal to have an awareness of where the District is at as negotiations begin. It was noted by Mr. Oberst that a Budget Amendment Two does not necessarily occur during the fiscal year.

Budget Amendment One and Annual Budget are standing calendar item that would be presented to the Finance Committee and the Board.

Dr. Falb requested that the Board receive a high level budget overview when the Governor's draft budget proposal is released. This would provide members with an idea of the potential impact. The following calendar items were suggested:

- January: Budget Amendment One (Finance)
- February: Budget Amendment One (First Board Meeting)
Budget Estimate Update (Work Session)
- April: Legislative Update on Budget Implications (Work Session)
- May: Annual Budget, Budget Amendment Two if needed (Finance)
- June: Public Hearing (First Board Meeting, scheduled prior to Board)
Annual Budget, Budget Amendment Two if needed (First Board Meeting)

Dr. Falb inquired about enrollment data and where this should be addressed.

Academic Achievement Committee Calendar Items

Dr. Falb would like to create whole board consciousness, not duplicate the Academic Achievement Committee reporting. It was agreed that some reporting that goes to this committee would be provided in a high level, non-granular capacity to the Board. The Academic Achievement Committee does the more granular work. The following calendar items were suggested:

- January: Multiple Assessment Measures (Growth and Proficiency)
- April: Graduation Rates previous year data
- June: Multiple Assessment Measures (Growth and Proficiency)
- TBD: High Level Top to Bottom List or Accountability System in Place
- TBD: SRO Priority Schools/State Accountability Measure

Superintendent's Evaluation and Calendar

Dr. Falb also noted that the Superintendent's evaluation is complicated by new board members coming in and that timing. The board needs to have check points and make sure things don't get missed and what should be on the calendar. The current policy would need to be changed. Mr. Ross shared they are not in a position to discuss this yet. Superintendent Neal suggested the Board may want to calendar when to revisit the Superintendent's contract. It was suggested the Vice President and Superintendent meet in February (every other year or something like that) if the contract is similar to discuss what the desired employment future the Superintendent has in mind.

The full board will need to address any changes in the law. Mr. Ross suggested that the evaluation period may need to be addressed at some point so that newer members are not in the position of evaluating the Superintendent. Mr. Ross suggested the policy be changed. Dr. Falb requested he look into that. She also suggested including highly effective language relative to the evaluating schedule as well.

Mr. Ross will work with the Superintendent's Office to schedule a meeting and to meet regarding the tool. He has a few things to do relative to preparing to move the process along and is looking at the end of April. He needs a greater understanding of growth of measures and how

to calendar this out. He would like to move from spring to late fall and would be a calendar change.

Superintendent Neal highlighted the following items that were discussed:

1. Familiarize the evaluation tool with MASA
2. Talk about calendar process
3. Growth measures and goal setting
4. Understanding and presentation for the Board end of April around growth measurement
5. Deep dive on the calendar for Board to expect to switch the Superintendent's evaluation date from Spring to late fall or early December
6. Change of policy

Superintendent Neal noted that changing dates for the evaluation would require an opening of her contract. The evaluation is a huge process and for future Superintendents, that is where in that contract for the Board becomes extremely important.

Dr. Falb affirmed the Board will follow whatever is appropriate at this time. She suggested if there is the possibility of putting structure around process to help the Board internalize what is happening, how they should be responding to it, and what their responsibilities are would be ideal. Superintendent Neal noted at some time in the future, the Board would need to do a six month evaluation.

Superintendent Neal wants to get the calendar together so she will know exactly what to expect.

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Ad Hoc Superintendent Evaluation Tool Review Committee Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2017

Rev. Lyman S. Parks Administration Building, Room 301

5:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Ross – Chairperson, Dr. Baker, and Ms. Grant

Staff: Sharron Pitts and Erich Harmsen

Public Comment

None

Superintendent Evaluation Tool Review

The committee had two evaluation tools to review. Mr. Ross shared that he was leaning toward the School Advance Tool which he had shared with the committee via e-mail. He felt this provided some consistency with the administrator evaluation. Mr. Ross had contacted MASA regarding training in the evaluation process. There is a cost and MASA recommends that the Vice President and the Superintendent attend training and then bring it to the full board. The committee will get clarification on the cost of training through School Advance. Mr. Ross stated there was no cost for MASB as we are members. Mr. Ross shared that there is a trainer for School Advance, Ms. Tina Kerr, who would be available at 5:30 p.m. today to discuss any questions. We were unsuccessful in reaching her so Mr. Ross said he would send her the committee's questions and will share her responses with the committee.

Mr. Harmsen said he would check with KISD to see if they offer any training in the area of the superintendent evaluation process as they have a grant that provides dollars for trainings that they provide to districts. Ms. Pitts shared that when she looked over the School Advance Tool to what we use for our administrator evaluation it did not seem to have a lot of overlap. She did not go to deep into the comparison. She reviewed the summative piece. Ms. Grant wanted to remind the committee that we need to make sure we evaluate the superintendent only on her duties. In looking at the domains we want it to align with what the staff is evaluated on and keeping in mind they do two different things. Ms. Pitts shared that the state gave state approved options for principal's tools. The state does not recommend what to use for the superintendent tool. The superintendent evaluation tool must be validated.

Mr. Ross wanted to clarify the questions the committee have for the Ms. Kerr.

- Cost - \$5200
- Other districts who have used this tools
- Can we make edits
- What are the student growth recommendations
- Is this Doug Reeves referred to on your footnote

Ms. Grant asked that we do a list of what we do like and dislike in each tool we are reviewing. Mr. Ross shared that with the School Advance you look at the four domains and not the results domain. Dr. Baker has a concern regarding how to obtain a real measure of student growth in the evaluation. Mr. Ross shared that we will need to have multiple measures for student growth. After conversation the committee felt that School Advance tool is the better choice. There seems to be more flexibility in this tool. It was shared that MASB does charge for training. It is not free because we are members.

The committee would like to invite David Stuit to come to the meeting on February 20, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss and gain clarification around growth measurement. Some of the student growth measures could be graduation rates, state approved assessments, improve outcome data for all sub-groups, MAP, SAT, PSAT and MSTEP. Mr. Harmsen shared that Mr. Petros is working to create PSAT/SAT as a measurement tool. Ms. Grant asked if we could create the weight in all the domains in the Student Advance Tool. All agreed that was correct but Mr. Ross would get this verified. The decision regarding what tool will be used will be done in collaboration with the superintendent.

The committee also discussed the evaluation cycle. Mr. Ross shared that we need to discuss the evaluation schedule. He shared that we would do something from April – December. Eventually we will have to do a December evaluation date. Ms. Pitts shared that the evaluation is for the school year. You could go from July 1 to December 31. Still set goals in March or April. Remember if she is highly effective she has two years between her evaluations and will guarantee the superintendent would work with the board for a full two years prior to the formal evaluation. Mr. Ross stated he would speak with the board president in April regarding the schedule.

The next meeting is planned for February 20, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. and we will invite David Stuit.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Finance Committee

Monday, February 27, 2017

Auditorium, Rev. Lyman S. Parks Administration Building

4:05 p.m.

Present: Dr. Baker - Chairperson, Dr. Flores, Ms. Grant, Mr. Klomparens, Ms. Kribs, Ms. Liggins, Mr. Oberst, Ms. Trovillion
Absent: Ms. Schottke

Public Comment

None.

ACTION ITEMS

Purchasing Agenda

Mr. Klomparens brought attention to the architect and construction manager contracts that are on the purchasing agenda. He advised that \$4 million of the budget under the bond for GRPS University is for the air conditioning installation and renovations to make the building usable year round. Also the contract for the construction manager for Ridgemoor is included, and the bid for long lead items. A Committee member asked about the cost of Ridgemoor's onsite management being such a large percentage of the project and if that was within a reasonable range. Mr. Klomparens stated that it was within a reasonable range, there are many project details which affect the cost of the onsite management. Another factor is that the bid was broken into smaller projects to allow more local bids. The Committee member asked to compare that to the Buchanan project's percentage of budget that was onsite management, and Mr. Klomparens advised that with larger budget projects, it does change the percentage that is onsite management.

Another question was asked in regards to the transportation budget increase of \$150,000. Mr. Oberst stated that this was embedded in Amendment One, and this is for student bus tickets, which the need has surpassed initial expectation.

Motion for Purchasing Agenda approval made by Ms. Grant, supported by Dr. Flores.

Motion carried.

Your Finance Committee recommends the Purchasing Agenda to be placed on the Agenda for Board action at the March 6, 2017 Board of Education meeting.

REPORTS/UPDATES/DISCUSSION

January Financial Statements

Mr. Oberst presented the January financial statements. He reviewed the Financial Dashboard in detail, noting that an adjustment was made to how this was presented which now reflects the amended budget amounts in the middle column. Mr. Oberst reviewed that the district is on track, and reminded that these reports are done on a cash basis throughout the year. At the end of the year, adjustments are made to a modified cash basis for audit purposes. He also noted that the \$88 million in bond funds from the 2016 issue is included in the Bonded Debt line. In March, the Bond Refunding will be reflected. The middle column for Projected Fund Balance is where we intend to be at June 30, 2017 if we track to budget. This will adjust once Amendment Two is processed. The goal is to have \$12.1 million in General Fund Balance at year end or 8.87% of unrestricted revenues. The Early Warning minimum fund balance is 5%, and our Board of Education has previously indicated a desire on maintaining a minimum 6% balance. An additional line was added to the report to reflect total bond funds expended since the bonds were sold in March 2016. Bond technology purchases will be reflected in February or March, and in the next 9 months more projects will be added as funds are spent.

Mr. Oberst also advised that the enrollment numbers listed on the Financial Dashboard are different from the State reported numbers. The numbers on this sheet include both general and special education students, but not shared time and early childhood special education students. There were no additional questions.

Warm, Safe & Dry Update

Mr. Klomprens reviewed the current Warm, Safe & Dry project status. He provided an update that the three projects are the Ottawa Hills Pool, which only requires one more exit sign to be complete. The Franklin Campus data center air conditioning is under review to determine if the two generators can be condensed to one generator, because as of right now if either of the two go down, everything is down. The final project is the Ridgemoor renovations, as Ridgemoor will reopen in the Fall. There were no questions.

Bond Update

Mr. Klomprens reviewed the photos and floorplans for the Buchanan Elementary re-build and Museum School renovation. He indicated that the exterior of the Museum building will remain unchanged. There will be some windows and enclosed staircases added, as well as a security entrance through the office. The Museum School will be able to accommodate 90 students per grade for a total of 360 students. There are currently bids for demolition and asbestos abatement that is needed, and there will be additional bids for the project coming in soon. He also updated the committee that the planning process continues for City High Middle School's project. The Plaza Roosevelt project, where the SWCC High School will be located, is currently developing a site plan. Union High School planning will begin in the spring/summer. The Ottawa Hills High School Project is still pending until academic decisioning is completed.

Bond Timeline

Mr. Oberst and Mr. Klomparens reviewed the Bond Timeline they have drafted. This is meant to be a document with the timelines for all bond projects, and will be updated as revisions are necessary. It should be considered a draft document with a general overview of goals for completion. This document will be presented at the March 6th Board of Education meeting. Mr. Oberst also highlighted that the document columns are divided by bond tranches, so the right columns are projects that will be financed with the second tranche of bonds which are expected to be in issued in spring/summer 2019.

Bond Refunding

Mr. Oberst stated that the Bond Refunding sale was successful, and the taxpayers will see a savings of \$5 million. Pricing is set as of February 22rd, and the closing will be held March 21st. There was a high demand which yielded an interest rate of 2.86%, which replaces the prior bonds' interest rate of 4.19%, which is where the savings to taxpayers are realized.

Sustainability

Mr. Klomparens announced that the eight schools that received Energy Star Certification received plaques to hang in the schools. Plaques were given by Consumer's Energy. They are continuing to work on getting additional schools Energy Star Certified.

Meeting adjourned 4:35 p.m.

Dr. Tony Baker, Chairperson
Dr. José Flores
Kristian Grant
Jen Schottke

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PERSONNEL TRANSACTIONS

3/6/2017

APPOINTMENTS - NON-INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

GROUP	GROUP	FNAME	LNAME	STATUS	LOCATION	EFF DATE	DESC
SC	GR ASSOC OF EDUC OFFICE PERSNL	QUANETTA	THOMAS-DEAN	APPOINTED	KEC OAKLEIGH	2/20/2017	HEAD SECRETARY
WT	GR ASSOC OF CCW, ETS, NCTCHRS	BRITTANY	BOWEN	APPOINTED	COIT ACADEMY OF ARTS & SCIENCE	2/7/2017	ITINERANT CHILD CARE WORKER
WT	GR ASSOC OF CCW, ETS, NCTCHRS	GRETCHEN	EDWARDS	APPOINTED	KEC OAKLEIGH	2/20/2017	ITINERANT CHILD CARE WORKER

APPOINTMENTS - INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

GROUP	GROUP	FNAME	LNAME	STATUS	LOCATION	EFF DATE	DESC
TC	GR EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	ASHLEY	GREENUP	APPOINTED	ADULT EDUCATION	2/6/2017	ESL
TC	GR EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	KRISTIN	KRIEGER	APPOINTED	SHARED TIME PROGRAM	2/7/2017	1-8 COMPUTERS
TC	GR EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	DARIAN	MEININGER	APPOINTED	EAST LEONARD ELEMENTARY	2/3/2017	4
TC	GR EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	KARLEEN	KOSKINEN	APPOINTED	UNION HIGH	1/19/2017	ASD TEACHER
TC	GR EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	LAUREN	SHANE	APPOINTED	DICKINSON ELEMENTARY	2/17/2017	2/3 ESL

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/DISMISS - INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

GROUP	GROUP	FNAME	LNAME	STATUS	LOCATION	EFF DATE	DESC
TC	GR EDUCATION ASSOCIATION	MICHELLE	VANDYKE	RESIGN	MULICK PARK	2/10/2017	4/5

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS/DISMISS - NON-INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

GROUP	GROUP	FNAME	LNAME	STATUS	LOCATION	EFF DATE	DESC
PA	PROFESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE	CARMEN	MARTINEZ-MOLERO	RESIGN	FRANKLIN CAMPUS	1/17/2017	HUMAN RESOURCES GENERALIST
BA	GR EDUC SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS	JEANNETTE	MCGHEE	RETIRED	PURCHASING & OPERATIONS	1/15/2017	CUSTODIAN 1
BA	GR EDUC SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS	JEFFREY	DEHAAN	RETIRED	PURCHASING & OPERATIONS	1/6/2017	LICENSED ELECTRICIAN
BA	GR EDUC SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS	VERONICA	GRIFFIN	RESIGN	PURCHASING & OPERATIONS	2/28/2017	SATELLITE PRODUCTION & UTILITY
SC	GR ASSOC OF EDUC OFFICE PERSNL	DANIELLE	HARP-BECKLEY	RESIGN	CITY HIGH/MIDDLE	2/10/2017	ATTENDANCE SECRETARY
WT	GR ASSOC OF CCW, ETS, NCTCHRS	BRIANA	THOMPSON	RESIGN	LINCOLN DEVELOPMENTAL CENTER	2/24/2017	ITINERANT CHILD CARE WORKER

PURCHASING AGENDA

MARCH 6, 2017 BOARD MEETING

I. General Fund

A. Instructional Supplies, Equipment, and Services

1. Payment of support for the Early Childhood Bright Beginnings Programs for the 2016-2017 school year for the Business Services Department at a total cost of \$33,752.00

VENDORS: 1 Kent Intermediate School District

2. Permission to modify blanket order for e-books for the Curriculum Department in the amount of \$11,500.00. Original blanket order amount of \$20,000.00 approved on 6/27/16. New blanket order amount \$31,500.00

VENDORS: 1 Overdrive

B. Support Materials

Permission to modify blanket order for student bus tickets for the Business Services Department in the amount of \$150,000.00. Original blanket order amount of \$750,000.00 approved on 6/27/16. New blanket order amount \$900,000.00

VENDORS: 1 Interurban Transit Partnership

C. Stock Inventory

None at this time

II. Other (Special Funds)

A. Instructional Supplies, Equipment, and Services

1. Purchase of infrastructure data cabling to support wireless networking upgrades at buildings district-wide for the Management Information Systems Department at a total cost of \$193,000.00 (Funded: 85% expected eRate funding, 15% eRate reimbursement)

VENDORS: 5 FD Hayes, Amcomm Telecom, PCM Sales, Persevus, Presidio

2. Upgrade of internet service for all district-wide locations for the Management Information Systems Department at a total cost of \$41,100.00 over four (4) years (Funded: 90% expected eRate funding, 10% BOE)

VENDORS: 1 Comcast

3. Upgrade of Wide Area Network to support additional Internet service for all district-wide locations for the Management Information Systems Department at a total cost of \$66,700.00 over four (4) years (Funded: 90% expected eRate funding, 10% BOE)
VENDORS: 1 Comcast

B. Support Materials

Contract to provide principal leadership development for the 2016-2017 school year at a total cost of \$25,000.00 (Funded: Title II, Part A)
VENDORS: 1 Richard Lemons

III. Building and Sites

A. General Building and Sites Projects

- 1, Design project management services for the air conditioning and renovation project at GRPS University for the Facilities Management Department at a total cost of \$233,750 (Funded: Bond Funds)
VENDORS: 1 Diekema Hamann Architecture & Engineering
2. Construction management services for the air conditioning and renovation project at GRPS University for the Facilities Management Department at a total cost of \$220,000.00 (Funded: Bond Funds)
VENDORS: 1 Erhardt Construction

B. Sinking Fund Projects

1. Construction management services for the Ridgemoor Montessori renovation project for the Facilities Management Department at a total cost of \$258,224.00 (Funded: Warm, Safe, Dry)
VENDORS: 1 Triangle Associates
2. Construction bids for long lead categories for renovation of the Ridgemoor Park building for the Facilities Management Department at a total cost of \$367,722.00 (Funded: Warm, Safe, Dry)
VENDORS: 1 Triangle Associates

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
JANUARY 31, 2017

Assets:	
Cash and investments:	\$ 29,586,251
Receivables:	
State aid receivable	109,000
Other accounts	886,376
Total receivables	<u>995,376</u>
Due from other governmental agencies	30,000
Inventory of books and supplies	425,590
Prepaid expenditures and other assets	37,524
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 31,074,741</u></u>
Liabilities and fund balance	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,307,717
Accrued salaries, benefits, related withholdings and payroll taxes	3,230,708
Other liabilities	159
Deferred revenue:	
Property taxes	11,500
Programs financed by other governmental agencies	359,000
Due to other funds	6,210,531
Due to other governmental agencies	2,394,915
Total liabilities	<u>13,514,530</u>
Fund Balances:	
Nonspendable	
Inventories	425,590
Unassigned	17,134,621
Total fund balances	<u>17,560,211</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u><u>\$ 31,074,741</u></u>

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FOR PERIOD ENDED
JANUARY 31, 2017

	General Programs			Grants			Athletics			Combined
	Budget	Actual	Percentage	Budget	Actual	Percentage	Budget	Actual	Percentage	Actual
Revenue										
Local sources:										
Property taxes	\$ 29,755,000	\$ 28,225,376	94.86%							\$ 28,225,376
Investment income	120,000	56,417	47.01%							56,417
Payment from local governmental agencies	17,585,000	7,816,608	44.45%							7,816,608
Other	2,108,000	667,669	31.67%	\$ 4,126,183	\$ 4,333,273	105.02%	\$ 576,600	\$ 266,078	46.15%	5,267,020
State sources:										
Restricted	24,575,000	8,525,447	34.69%	16,565,965	10,007,468	60.41%				18,532,915
Unrestricted	83,761,000	30,218,224	36.08%							30,218,224
Federal sources:										
Restricted	160,000	65,914	41.20%	23,894,172	3,455,266	14.46%				3,521,180
Unrestricted	40,000									
Total revenue	158,104,000	75,575,655	47.80%	44,586,320	17,796,007	39.91%	576,600	266,078	46.15%	93,637,740
Other financing sources										
Operating transfers in	2,851,549		0.00%							
Total other financing sources	2,851,549		0.00%							
Total revenue and other financing sources	160,955,549	75,575,655	46.95%	44,586,320	17,796,007	39.91%	576,600	266,078	46.15%	93,637,740

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FOR PERIOD ENDED
JANUARY 31, 2017

	General Programs			Grants			Athletics			Combined
	Budget	Actual	Percentage	Budget	Actual	Percentage	Budget	Actual	Percentage	Actual
Expenditures										
Instruction:										
Basic programs:										
Elementary	\$ 24,539,914	\$ 11,339,133	46.21%	\$ 4,233,479	\$ 1,977,934	46.72%				\$ 13,317,067
Middle school	4,557,331	2,106,250	46.22%	321,359	150,577	46.86%				2,256,827
High school	11,735,575	5,080,528	43.29%	587,484	114,367	19.47%				5,194,895
Preschool	307,000	138,131	44.99%	2,692,797	1,283,223	47.65%				1,421,354
Other basic programs				926,752	186,495	20.12%				186,495
Total basic programs	41,139,820	18,664,042	45.37%	8,761,871	3,712,596	42.37%				22,376,638
Added needs	8,384,950	3,899,525	46.51%	7,822,923	3,737,592	47.78%				7,637,117
Adult continuing education				578,507	198,723	34.35%				198,723
Employee benefits and payroll taxes	32,660,509	13,241,599	40.54%	9,153,319	3,554,049	38.83%				16,795,648
Total instruction	82,185,279	35,805,166	43.57%	26,316,620	11,202,960	42.57%				47,008,126
Support services:										
Pupil services	12,215,486	4,614,263	37.77%	4,050,605	1,559,224	38.49%				6,173,487
Instructional staff services	4,183,501	2,252,353	53.84%	4,553,397	1,747,326	38.37%				3,999,679
General administration	1,523,600	765,617	50.25%	45,000	22,221	49.38%				787,838
School administration	7,639,532	3,841,606	50.29%							3,841,606
Fiscal services	2,982,025	1,425,627	47.81%				\$ 53,900	\$ 45,223	83.90%	1,470,850
Operation and maintenance	14,953,350	8,099,694	54.17%	264,358	67,212	25.42%				8,166,906
Pupil transportation	10,724,404	3,546,736	33.07%	1,692,930	1,030,674	60.88%	105,000	70,947	67.57%	4,648,357
Staff and personnel services	6,442,615	3,384,253	52.53%	2,139,099	578,373	27.04%				3,962,626
Athletics							1,070,800	682,178	63.71%	682,178
Student activities	36,450	36,450	100.00%							36,450
Employee benefits and payroll taxes	18,723,179	7,564,911	40.40%	3,214,224	1,190,855	37.05%	386,900	220,485	56.99%	8,976,251
Total support services	79,424,142	35,531,510	44.74%	15,959,613	6,195,885	38.82%	1,616,600	1,018,833	63.02%	42,746,228
Community services	99,312	30,300	30.51%	1,211,053	656,863	54.24%				687,163
Building improvements				202,927	131,959	65.03%				131,959
Athletics transfer	1,040,000	700,000	67.31%				(1,040,000)	(700,000)	67.31%	
Expenses redistributed (indirect)	(896,107)	(12,421)	1.39%	896,107	12,421	1.39%				
Total expenditures	161,852,626	72,054,555	44.52%	44,586,320	18,200,088	40.82%	576,600	318,833	55.30%	90,573,476
Other financing uses										
Operating transfers out	2,265,000	759,737	33.54%							759,737
Total other financing uses	2,265,000	759,737	33.54%							759,737
Total expenditures and other financing uses	164,117,626	72,814,292	44.37%	44,586,320	18,200,088	40.82%	576,600	318,833		91,333,213
Revenues and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	\$ (3,162,077)	\$ 2,761,363.29		\$	\$ (404,081)		\$	\$ (52,755)		2,304,527
Fund balances at beginning of year										15,255,684
Fund balances at end of period										\$ 17,560,211

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BALANCE SHEET
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
JANUARY 31, 2017

	<u>Special Education Center Programs</u>	<u>Food Service</u>	<u>Community Education</u>	<u>GRASP</u>	<u>RIF</u>	<u>Houseman Field</u>
Assets						
Cash and investments		\$ 5,029,986	\$ 2,022	\$ 17,773		\$ 41,250
Receivables:						
Other accounts	\$ 313,432	10,471				945
Interest						
Total receivables	<u>313,432</u>	<u>10,471</u>				<u>945</u>
Inventories		181,802				
Due from other funds	6,428,306		272,788	407,524	\$ 1,068	
Total assets	<u>\$ 6,741,738</u>	<u>\$ 5,222,259</u>	<u>\$ 274,810</u>	<u>\$ 425,297</u>	<u>\$ 1,068</u>	<u>\$ 42,195</u>
Liabilities						
Accounts payable	\$ 448	\$ 40,375				
Due to other funds		407,914				\$ 51,944
Total liabilities	<u>448</u>	<u>448,289</u>				<u>51,944</u>
Fund balances						
Reserved for inventories		181,802				
Unreserved, undesignated	6,741,290	4,592,168	\$ 274,810	\$ 425,297	\$ 1,068	(9,749)
Total fund balances	<u>6,741,290</u>	<u>4,773,970</u>	<u>274,810</u>	<u>425,297</u>	<u>1,068</u>	<u>(9,749)</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 6,741,738</u>	<u>\$ 5,222,259</u>	<u>\$ 274,810</u>	<u>\$ 425,297</u>	<u>\$ 1,068</u>	<u>\$ 42,195</u>

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
AS OF JANUARY 31, 2017

	Special Education Center Programs		Food Service		Community Education		GRASP		RIF		Houseman Field	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Revenue:												
Local sources:												
Investment income			\$ 11,500	\$ 7,467			\$ 100					
Payment from local governmental agencies	\$ 23,848,010	\$ 19,173,344										
Sales			791,000	445,427							\$ 56,000	\$ 28,898
Admissions / fees					\$ 6,000	\$ 2,022	550,000	\$ 6,810			10,000	
Fundraisers and donations									\$ 5,000			
Other											2,000	6,044
Total local sources	23,848,010	19,173,344	802,500	452,894	6,000	2,022	550,100	6,810	5,000		68,000	34,942
State sources - restricted	10,492,990	3,427,942	403,000	148,946								
Federal sources - restricted			10,950,000	4,624,977								
Total revenue	34,341,000	22,601,286	12,155,500	5,226,817	6,000	2,022	550,100	6,810	5,000		68,000	34,942
Expenditures:												
School services												
Salaries	16,206,365	7,800,105	2,146,200	1,052,593	15,000	1,860	163,000	88,062			8,000	6,153
Benefits and payroll taxes	11,786,565	5,574,173	1,530,512	642,388	6,900	848	99,950	54,732			3,600	2,804
Payments to other districts	5,380,380	1,902,123	290,000	103,244								
Nonsalaries	1,997,265	583,595	8,471,486	3,605,929	3,000		173,800	87,677	25,000	\$ 19,794	111,400	51,527
Total expenditures	35,370,575	15,859,996	12,438,198	5,404,154	24,900	2,708	436,750	230,471	25,000	19,794	123,000	60,484
Other financing sources (uses):												
Transfer from General Fund	2,210,000										55,000	
Transfer to General Fund	(1,180,425)		(1,171,124)				(500,000)					
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,029,575		(1,171,124)				(500,000)				55,000	
Net change in fund balances		6,741,290	(1,453,822)	(177,337)	(18,900)	(686)	(386,650)	(223,661)	(20,000)	(19,794)		(25,542)
Fund balances at beginning of year			4,951,307	4,951,307	275,496	275,496	648,958	648,958	20,862	20,862	15,793	15,793
Fund balances at end of period	\$	\$ 6,741,290	\$ 3,497,485	\$ 4,773,970	\$ 256,596	\$ 274,810	\$ 262,308	\$ 425,297	\$ 862	\$ 1,068	\$ 15,793	\$ (9,749)

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 DEBT RETIREMENT FUND
 JANUARY 31, 2017

	2007/2013 Debt	2012 Refunding Bonds	2016 Debt	Totals
Assets				
Cash and investments	\$ 7,078,766	\$ 4,340	\$ 8,298,758	\$ 15,381,864
Due from other funds	83,842			83,842
Total assets	<u>\$ 7,162,608</u>	<u>\$ 4,340</u>	<u>\$ 8,298,758</u>	<u>\$ 15,465,706</u>
Liabilities and fund balances				
Liabilities				
Due to other funds		\$ 25	\$ 136,274	\$ 136,299
Total liabilities		<u>25</u>	<u>136,274</u>	<u>136,299</u>
Fund Balances				
Restricted	\$ 7,162,608	4,315	8,162,484	15,329,407
Total fund balances	<u>7,162,608</u>	<u>4,315</u>	<u>8,162,484</u>	<u>15,329,407</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 7,162,608</u>	<u>\$ 4,340</u>	<u>\$ 8,298,758</u>	<u>\$ 15,465,706</u>

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
DEBT RETIREMENT FUND
PERIOD ENDED JANUARY 31, 2017

	2007/2013		2012		2016	
	Debt		Refunding Bonds		Debt and Refunding Bonds	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Revenue						
Property taxes	\$ 7,500,000	\$ 6,502,358			\$ 11,500,000	\$ 11,152,765
Investment income	3,000	10,628		\$ 1	500	9,870
Total revenue	<u>7,503,000</u>	<u>6,512,986</u>		<u>1</u>	<u>11,500,500</u>	<u>11,162,635</u>
Expenditures						
Bond principal maturities	6,015,000		\$ 520,000	520,000	4,375,000	
Interest on bonded debt	2,346,000	1,172,864	53,435	29,043	6,002,350	3,001,175
Other	130,000	10,565	500			
Total expenditures	<u>8,491,000</u>	<u>1,183,429</u>	<u>573,935</u>	<u>549,043</u>	<u>10,377,350</u>	<u>3,001,175</u>
Other financing sources (uses)						
Transfer from Capital Projects Fund			573,435	549,043		
Total other financing sources (uses)			<u>573,435</u>	<u>549,043</u>		
Net change in fund balance	(988,000)	5,329,557	(500)	1	1,123,150	8,161,460
Fund balances at beginning of year	<u>2,113,266</u>	<u>1,833,051</u>	<u>4,314</u>	<u>4,314</u>		<u>1,024</u>
Fund balances at end of period	<u>\$ 1,125,266</u>	<u>\$ 7,162,608</u>	<u>\$ 3,814</u>	<u>\$ 4,315</u>	<u>\$ 1,123,150</u>	<u>\$ 8,162,484</u>

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
 COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
 JANUARY 31, 2017

	Unrestricted General Purpose	Strategic Facilities Plan	Technology 2016 Bond Issue	Capital Projects 2016 Bond Issue	Security Projects 2016 Bond Issue	Capital Projects Sinking Fund	Total
Assets							
Cash and investments	\$ 53,950	\$ 1,517,494	\$ 4,556,000	\$ 67,574,841	\$ 4,872,000	\$ 3,647,766	\$ 82,222,051
Accounts receivable				2,890			2,890
Due from General Fund		3,775			65,350		69,125
Total assets	\$ 53,950	\$ 1,521,269	\$ 4,556,000	\$ 67,577,731	\$ 4,937,350	\$ 3,647,766	\$ 82,294,066
Liabilities and fund balances							
Liabilities							
Accounts payable			\$ 101				\$ 101
Due to General Fund	\$ 1		2,031	\$ 383,858		\$ 53,391	439,281
Total liabilities	1		2,132	383,858		53,391	439,382
Fund balances							
Restricted			4,553,868	67,193,873	\$ 4,937,350	\$ 3,594,375	80,279,466
Committed		\$ 1,521,269					1,521,269
Assigned	53,949						53,949
Total fund balances	53,949	1,521,269	4,553,868	67,193,873	4,937,350	3,594,375	81,854,684
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 53,950	\$ 1,521,269	\$ 4,556,000	\$ 67,577,731	\$ 4,937,350	\$ 3,647,766	\$ 82,294,066

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
 COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
 PERIOD ENDED JANUARY 31, 2017

	Unrestricted General Purpose	Strategic Facilities Plan	Technology 2016 Bond Issue	Construction Projects 2016 Bond Issue	Security Projects 2016 Bond Issue	Capital Projects Sinking Fund	Total
Revenue							
Property tax						\$ 3,621,771	\$ 3,621,771
Investment income	\$ 69	\$ 2,492		\$ (97,426)		5,838	(89,027)
Lease revenue		32,129					32,129
Total revenue	69	34,621		(97,426)		3,627,609	3,564,873
Expenditures							
Building improvements			\$ 272,518	5,609,773	\$ 62,650	607,841	6,552,782
Other		549,042				3,883	552,925
Total expenditures		549,042	272,518	5,609,773	62,650	611,724	7,105,707
Revenue and other sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	69	(514,421)	(272,518)	(5,707,199)	(62,650)	3,015,885	(3,540,835)
Fund balances at beginning of year	53,880	2,035,690	4,826,386	72,901,072	5,000,000	578,490	85,395,518
Fund balances at end of period	<u>\$ 53,949</u>	<u>\$ 1,521,269</u>	<u>\$ 4,553,868</u>	<u>\$ 67,193,873</u>	<u>\$ 4,937,350</u>	<u>\$ 3,594,375</u>	<u>\$ 81,854,684</u>

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2017 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2017

	GENERAL OPERATING	BUILDING & SITE	SPECIAL REVENUE	TRUST & AGENCY	DEBT RETIREMENT	TOTAL
CASH, 12/31/16	\$ 59,830	\$ 15,489	\$ 4,727	\$ 6,802	\$ 6,974	\$ 93,822
INVESTMENTS, 12/31/16	33,507,989	83,708,143	5,010,857	2,116,781	15,215,730	139,559,500
TOTAL, 12/31/16	<u>33,567,819</u>	<u>83,723,632</u>	<u>5,015,584</u>	<u>2,123,583</u>	<u>15,222,704</u>	<u>139,653,322</u>
RECEIPTS	14,502,175	98,419	984,589	88,056	159,160	15,832,399
DISBURSEMENTS:						
CURRENT PERIOD	17,257,167	485,786	2,043,196	37,603	-	19,823,752
LESS: OUTSTANDING CHECKS	(370,078)					(370,078)
PLUS: PRIOR PERIOD	1,224,790					1,224,790
INTERFUND TRANSFERS	(386)	1,114,214	(1,133,225)	19,397	-	
NET USE OF CASH	<u>18,111,493</u>	<u>1,600,000</u>	<u>909,971</u>	<u>57,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,678,464</u>
ENDING CASH & INVESTMENTS	<u>\$ 29,958,501</u>	<u>\$ 82,222,051</u>	<u>\$ 5,090,202</u>	<u>\$ 2,154,639</u>	<u>\$ 15,381,864</u>	<u>\$ 134,807,257</u>
CASH, 1/31/17	\$ 103,608	\$ 43,614	\$ 37,872	\$ 12,343	\$ 6,061	\$ 203,498
INVESTMENTS, 1/31/17	29,854,893	82,178,437	5,052,330	2,142,296	15,375,803	134,603,759
TOTAL, 1/31/17	<u>\$ 29,958,501</u>	<u>\$ 82,222,051</u>	<u>\$ 5,090,202</u>	<u>\$ 2,154,639</u>	<u>\$ 15,381,864</u>	<u>\$ 134,807,257</u>

**GENERAL OPERATIONS, MULTI FUNDED AND FULLY FUNDED PROGRAMS
DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2017 - JANUARY 31, 2017**

Operation Funds

Invoices: Materials and Services		12,329,096
Taxes:		
Federal	675,450	
State	253,317	
City	121,396	
Total Taxes	<u>1,050,163</u>	1,050,163
Payroll:		
Gross Payroll	8,053,454	
Non Tax Reimbursements	112,920	
Less:		
Income Tax Withholding	1,002,396	
Social Security Withholding	562,423	
Annuities	835,640	
Hospital & Life Insurance	534,620	
Other Deductions	57,797	
Total Deductions	<u>2,992,876</u>	
Net Payroll		5,173,498
Payroll Reclassified to Funds Below		<u>(1,295,590)</u>
Total Operating Funds Disbursements		17,257,167

**BUILDING & SITE, SPECIAL REVENUE, TRUST & AGENCY AND DEBT RETIREMENT
DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2017 - JANUARY 31, 2017**

Other Funds

	Invoices	Payroll	
Building and Site Funds	485,786	0	485,786
Special Revenue Funds	749,149	1,294,047	2,043,196
Trust and Agency Funds	36,060	1,543	37,603
Debt Retirement Funds	0	0	0
Total Other Funds Disbursements	<u>1,270,995</u>	<u>1,295,590</u>	<u>2,566,585</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS - ALL FUNDS 19,823,752

**RESOLUTION
EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY
March 3, 2017**

WHEREAS, the education of youth is essential to the future of our community, state, country, and world; and

WHEREAS, Grand Rapids Public School (GRPS) employees are the backbone of our public education system; and

WHEREAS, GRPS employees work directly with students, educators, parents, volunteers, business partners, and community members; and

WHEREAS, GRPS employees support the smooth operation of offices, the safety and maintenance of buildings and property, and the healthy nutrition and direct instruction of students; and

WHEREAS, our community depends upon and trusts GRPS employees to serve students; and

WHEREAS, GRPS employees, with their diverse talents and true dedication, nurture students throughout their school years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby proclaims Friday, March 3, 2017 to be Employee Appreciation Day in the Grand Rapids Public Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education encourages all members of our community to join in this observance, recognizing the dedication and hard work of these individuals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be placed on file with the official proceedings of the Board of Education.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Grand Rapids, Michigan

March 6, 2017

Employee Appreciation Day was recognized at the Grand Rapids Public Schools by the Superintendent on March 3, 2017.

RESOLUTION

CÉSAR E. CHÁVEZ DAY

March 31, 2017

WHEREAS, César E. Chávez, was an American hero, a civil rights leader, Latino, farm worker, and a labor leader; a religious and spiritual figure; a community servant and social entrepreneur; a crusader for nonviolent social change; and an environmentalist and consumer advocates; and

WHEREAS, César, a second-generation American, was born on March 31, 1927, near his family's farm in Yuma, Arizona; and at age 10, his family became migrant farm workers after losing their farm in the Great Depression; and throughout his youth and into his adulthood, Cesar migrated across the southwest United States laboring in the fields and vineyards, where he was exposed to the hardships and injustices of farm worker life; and

WHEREAS, César's dream was to create an organization to protect and serve farm workers; and in 1962 he co-founded the National Farm Workers Association, which later became the United Farm Workers of America; and

WHEREAS, for more than three decades, César led the first successful farm workers union in American history, achieving dignity, respect, fair wages, medical coverage, pension benefits, and humane living conditions, as well as countless other rights and protections for hundreds of thousands of farm workers; and against previously insurmountable odds, he led successful strikes and boycotts that resulted in the first industry-wide labor contracts in the history of American agriculture; and

WHEREAS, His union's efforts brought about the passage of the groundbreaking 1975 California Agricultural Labor Relations Act to protect farm workers; and today it remains the only law in the nation that protects the farm workers' right to unionize; and

WHEREAS, César, a strong believer in the principles of nonviolence practiced by Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., effectively employed peaceful tactics such as fasts, boycotts, strikes and pilgrimages; and

WHEREAS, in 1968 he fasted for 25 days to affirm his personal commitment, and that of the farm labor movement, to non-violence; and he fasted again for 25 days in 1972; and in 1988, at the age of 61, he endured a 36-day "Fast for Life" to highlight the harmful impact of pesticides on farm workers and their children; and

WHEREAS, César passed away in his sleep on April 23, 1993, in San Luis, Arizona, only miles from his birthplace of 66 years earlier; and more than 50,000 people attended his funeral services in the small town of Delano, California, the same community in which he had planted his seed for social justice only decades before; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 2003, Governor Jennifer Granholm signed Public Act 225 of 2003 to designate March 31 of each year as César E. Chávez Day in the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2012, the Navy christened and launched the dry cargo/ammunition ship the USNS César Chavez in a ceremony at the General Dynamics NASSCO Spyard in San Diego honoring César who served the Navy during World War I; and

WHEREAS, on October 8, 2012, President Barack Obama established the César E. Chavez National Monument in Keene, California. The site marks the extraordinary achievements and contributions to the history of the United States made by César E. Chávez and the farm worker movement that he led with great vision and fortitude. La Paz reflects his conviction that ordinary people can do extraordinary things;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education recognizes, March 31, 2017 as “Cesar E. Chávez Day” and encourages staff to initiate and implement educational programs and activities appropriate to this occasion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be filed with the official proceedings of the Board of Education.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Grand Rapids, Michigan

March 6, 2017

RESOLUTION

**NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK
March 6 – 10, 2017**

WHEREAS, the School Breakfast Program has served our nation admirably since it was permanently established in 1975; and

WHEREAS, the School Breakfast Program is dedicated to the health and well-being of our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, the School Breakfast Program joins and has been joined through the years by many other excellent child nutrition programs; and

WHEREAS, there is evidence of continued need for nutrition education and awareness of the value of school nutrition programs

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Grand Rapids Public Schools does hereby proclaim the week of March 6-10, 2017 as NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK and encourages all residents to become aware and concerned about their children's and their own nutrition habits, in hope of achieving a more healthful citizenry for today and the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be placed on file with the official proceedings of the Board of Education.

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Grand Rapids, Michigan**

March 7, 2016

RESOLUTION

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

March 2017

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our nation, state, and city in countless ways; and

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the nation; and

WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our nation; and

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the literature, teaching, and study of American history; and

WHEREAS, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America have instituted Public Law 101-6 designating the month of March as "WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH;"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education recognizes March as "WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH" and encourages staff to initiate and implement educational programs and activities appropriate to this occasion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be placed on file with the official proceedings of the Board of Education.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Grand Rapids, Michigan

March 6, 2017

RESOLUTION

**MARCH IS READING MONTH
March 2017**

WHEREAS, in Michigan and throughout the nation an alarming number of children enter school without the language and pre-reading skills necessary to succeed in reading and in school, and many children from all socioeconomic backgrounds do not know how to hold a book, identify a word, or even recognize a letter; and

WHEREAS, research has shown that literacy is an important factor in determining an individual's success in school, the workplace, and society; and

WHEREAS, studies show that almost all children have the ability to learn if they are routinely exposed to basic language and pre-reading activities at an early age; and

WHEREAS, the ability to read is a unique aspect of our humanity and allows us to acquire knowledge of the world, our nation, the State of Michigan, and the communities in which we live; and

WHEREAS, March has been designated as Reading Month since 1982 and the Michigan Reading Association has developed resource packets containing suggestions for March as Reading Month activities; and

WHEREAS, the goals for the month include fostering positive feelings toward reading, encouraging the habit of reading as a recreational activity, and the promotion of improved literacy teaching and learning throughout the curriculum all year long;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grand Rapids Board of Education joins the State Board of Education and the Michigan Reading Association in recognizing March as Reading Month and encourages schools to celebrate reading through special events during the month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be placed on file with the official proceedings of the Board of Education.

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Grand Rapids, Michigan**

March 6, 2017

RESOLUTION

**MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH
March 2017**

WHEREAS, the study of music contributes to young people's development through heightened skills in listening, reading, self-expression, and creativity; and

WHEREAS, music education in the schools includes a broad range of types of music and active musical experiences; and

WHEREAS, music and the other arts significantly enhance the morale and quality of the school environment; and

WHEREAS, it is the stated objective of the public schools to prepare children for a productive role in our society; and

WHEREAS, the Music Educators National Conference has designated March as Music in Our Schools Month; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Rapids Public Schools recognizes that a music program should be relevant to the needs of the students and will reach and positively influence each child;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Grand Rapids Board of Education endorses the observance of March as Music in Our Schools Month as an opportunity to support the purposes and practices of music education and encourages teachers, parents, students, and all citizens to participate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be placed on file with the official proceedings of the Board of Education.

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Grand Rapids, Michigan**

March 7, 2017