

Grand County School District Board of Education
REGULAR BOARD MEETING Minutes

Wednesday, October 16th, 2024

5:15 p.m.

In Attendance: Melissa Byrd, Kathy Williams, Steve Kennedy (virtual - Google meet), Dave Bierschied, Mike McFalls (Superintendent), NaShay Lange (Administrative Assistant)

Also in attendance/Audience: Jill Tatton, Kari Barnard, Eric Pratt, Tiffany Falcon, Camila Falcon, Luis Falcon, Chloe Falcon, Caelyn Falcon, Robert Falcon, Jeremy Spaulding, Kendra Cupps, Cari Caylor, Micah Ward, Lauralee Green (virtual - Google meet) Sarah Henderson, Ross Ballard, Trevor Holyoak

Excused: Ariel Atkins, Matthew Keyes (Business Administrator)

Melissa Byrd brought the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Camila Flacon
Mission Statement read by Kathy Williams

- I. Public Comments - none
- II. Approve Agenda
 - Kathy Williams made a motion to approve the agenda.
 - Dave Bierscheid seconded the motion to approve the agenda.
 - Vote 3-0 with Steve abstaining and Ariel absent.
- III. Student Body President Report
 - A. Ross Ballard presented for Aracely Medina. Ross reported that Homecoming week was a huge success
 - B. There are no current October plans
 - C. On October 30th there will be a movie played that is being voted on via Google Forms
 - D. November 2nd is the Sadie's dance
- IV. Board Recognitions
 - A. MLHMS Students of the Month
 - 1. 7th Grade - Camila Falcon - present
 - 2. 8th Grade - Trevor Holyoak - present
 - B. GCHS Students of the Month
 - 1. 12th Grade - Jace Reidhead - not present, will be recognized next month

2. 12th Grade - Ainsleigh Kasprick - not present, will be recognized next month

V. Information Items

A. HMK/Preschool Site Upgrades

1. This topic was not discussed during the previous Work Session turned Board Meeting
2. This is just about approving moving forward
3. Mike wants to ensure that we will have everything we need with the remodel by talking with Matt, Dave, Jill and Michelle
 - a) He would recommend continuing with the plan, but make sure that additional conversations are taking place as needed
4. This fee Proposal includes the oversight and close out
5. Mike spoke with Matt - the fees are customary
 - a) We are not paying twice

B. Instructional Coach Presentation

1. Most numbers have stayed the same
2. K-3 teachers are required to do Science to Learning (certified)
 - a) Included 8 full days during the 2 years
 - b) This is incorporated into coaching
3. Breakdown of meeting types by interactions
 - a) Goal of more in class with teachers
4. November 1st is the annual Fall Institute
 - a) USBE, SpEd, Support for Minority Groups, UETN
5. Focus on providing a lot of in classroom coaching with novice teachers

C. SRO Presentation

1. Law enforcement agencies are working with the district office to be able to create better practice and better planning by having a debrief together after all incidents
2. Currently we have an issue with kids sending explicit pictures to each other
 - a) Moving forward, Eric would like to see an assembly the first week of school to discuss these things in age appropriate ways
3. There have been some basic thefts take place
4. Some disorderly behavior from parents
5. Eric was asked if he has a schedule or routine that he sticks to - he responded that having a schedule or routine lets people know what he should be doing and where, that creates a weakness for the schools, staff and students. Therefore he tries to be unpredictable in where he will be and when
6. Micah added that the district's transparency with parents and the community will make for a learning curve for the public. With time they will learn that a "hold" is different from a "lock down" and they will become comfortable with the language used from officials.

- D. Policy Update - Column 7 - DAH, EBA, FDAC
 - 1. DAH - put our positions in the blank spaces prior to posting
 - 2. EBA and FDAC - check the personalizations on our current policy along with the new personalization
 - 3. Send the policies with the new personalization to the Board Members
- E. Policy Updates - Column 2 - BBD, CBJA, CED, DAJ, DDC, DFE, DKE, FABB, FAD, FBAC, FDH, GAA
 - 1. DFE and DKE are changes we see with code - so they can be approved
 - 2. Do we need to create an "Exhibit A" for DFE? Yes, that is likely where the changes will be
 - 3. Don't include the DFE and DKE policies in the approved list due to not having a certain idea of what DEK, ect.
 - 4. We need to merge our DKE because our current policy is more comprehensive. Melissa will work on merging those because they are policy changes

VI. Staff & Community Reports (5-10 min. Each report category)

- A. Board Committee Reports
 - 1. Clinical Safety - didn't meet
 - 2. Discipline - didn't meet
 - 3. DTL/Technology -didn't meet
 - 4. Evaluation -
 - 5. Facilities - didn't meet
 - 6. Finance - discussion regarding using Venmo to have for entry and concessions
 - 7. Negotiations - Matt was asked to meet and discuss changing the title of Classified Employees to Professional Support Personnel
 - 8. Prevention and Wellness - Working on Superintendent Goals. These votes are collected and focus is on attendance
 - 9. Professional Development - didn't meet
 - 10. Calendar - didn't meet
 - 11. Maturation - didn't meet
 - 12. K-12 Math - didn't meet
- B. Business Administrator Report - Not present
- C. Community Coordinator Report
 - 1. Great events took place this past month
 - 2. Indigenous People Night was a great turnout with about 75 people joining
 - 3. National Hispanic week - had about
 - 4. Mike has agreed to a Q and A forum
 - 5. Mike has instructed school principals to have a fire drill once per month where the kids are at different points in their school day
- D. Superintendent Report
 - 1. May have found a workaround for ParentLink and mass communication

- 2. Working on a Dual Immersion Grant
- E. Monthly School/Department Reports
 - 1. Grand Preschool/SpEd
 - a) Special Needs Assessment showed that we have identified higher percentages of special needs that the state average
 - (1) Says we need 2 additional staff
 - (a) Mike will speak with Matt about expediting the hiring of those positions
 - (2) Currently 6th grade kids with an IEP are being bussed to the middle school in the morning - they seem to enjoy going to the middle school campus for their mornings
 - 2. HMK - Michelle not present - no questions
 - 3. MLHMS
 - a) Lexia gives a baseline test and then changes to grow the student's level of reading
 - 4. GCHS
 - a) They are reaching out to parents directly
 - b) Focusing on an opt-in for testing from all students
- VII. Consent Agenda (10 min.)
 - A. Minutes
 - 1. September 11, 2024 Board Work Session Minutes
 - 2. September 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
 - B. October Personnel List - no discussion; include the leaving staff from the month prior at the top of the chart where new hires are listed
 - C. Financial reports
 - 1. September 2024 Detailed Check Register
 - 2. September 2024 Expenditure Report
 - 3. September 2024 Revenue Report
 - D. Out of State Travel Requests - none

Kathy Williams made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Dave Bierschied seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Discussion: None.

Vote: 4-0 Pass, Ariel absent.

- VIII. Action Items (10 min.)
 - A. Approve to Post Column 7 of Policy Chart for Public Comment.

Dave Bierschied made a motion to approve the posting of Column 7 of the USBA 2024 Model Policy Chart on the District website for public comment. Those include policies DAH, EBA and FDAC.

Steve Kennedy seconded the motion to approve the posting of Column 7 of the USBA 2024 Model Policy Chart on the District website for public comment. Those include policies DAH, EBA and FDAC.

Discussion: Ensure to change verbiage in policies to match what we have already used in the past.

Vote 4-0 Pass, Ariel absent.

B. Approve Policy Updates in Column 2 of the Policy Chart.

Kathy Williams made a motion to approve the policies in Column 2 of the USBA 2024 Model Policies Chart. These policies are BBD, CBJA, CED, DAJ, DDC, FABB, FAD, FBAC, FDH, GAA.

Dave Bierschied seconded the motion to approve the policies in Column 2 of the USBA 2024 Model Policies Chart. These policies are BBD, CBJA, CED, DAJ, DDC, FABB, FAD, FBAC, FDH, GAA.

Discussion: None

Vote 4-0 Pass, Ariel absent.

C. Approve District Handbooks

Kathy Williams made a motion to approve the Grand Preschool Parent Handbook, HMK Parent & Student Handbook, MLHMS Parent & Student Handbook, GCHS Student Handbook, Employee Handbook, Parent/Guardian Athletic Handbook and Student Participant Handbook (Athletics).

Dave Bierschied seconded the motion to approve the Grand Preschool Parent Handbook, HMK Parent & Student Handbook, MLHMS Parent & Student Handbook, GCHS Student Handbook, Employee Handbook, Parent/Guardian Athletic Handbook and Student Participant Handbook (Athletics).

Discussion: None

Vote 4-0 Pass, Ariel absent.

D. Approve HMK/Preschool Site Upgrades Fee Proposal

Dave Bierschied made a motion to approve the Fee Proposal for HMK/Preschool Upgrade from MHTN.

Kathy Williams seconded the motion to approve the Fee Proposal for HMK/Preschool Upgrade from MHTN.

Discussion: none

Vote: 4-0 Pass, Ariel absent.

IX. Communications (5 min. each report)

A. Steve - Nothing.

B. Dave - Nothing.

C. Kathy - Nothing.

D. Melissa - Nothing.

X. Advance Planning (5 min.)

A. Add the following:

1. October 25th - KPI will be due
- B. For Agendas for upcoming meetings:
 1. Work session should be short and include a presentation from Tony
 2. Add One Time Compensation to Work Session

Kathy Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Dave Bierschied seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 pm.