Grand Haven Area Public Schools

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, November 16, 2026 ~ 7:00 PM
Peach Plains Elementary

DRAFT AGENDA

Mission Statement: Committed to creating a learning environment where students are challenged to think critically, act responsibly, and lead with purpose.

I. **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call
- D. Approval of Agenda

II. **CONSENT GROUPING**

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Payment of Bills - October

III. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Recognition of Iain Novoselich
- B. Grand Partner of the Month - The Grand Haven Tribune

IV. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Board of Education invites members of the audience to share feedback or input during this portion of the meeting. Comments may be related to an agenda item or to other areas of interest. The Board does not take action on comments or questions made during the public comment. The comments may be referred to the Superintendent for response, research, and/or recommendation. The Board asks that all speakers identify themselves, and limit remarks to three minutes. We welcome your input.

V. **CELEBRATION OF LEARNING**

- A. Peach Plains Elementary School Update
- B. Student Representative Report

VI. **FINANCE & OPERATIONS**

- A. Approval of Public Address System - Phase Two
- B. Bond Update

VII. **LABOR & POLICY**

- A. Griffin/Elementary Boundary Update

VIII. **BOARD PRESIDENT**

- A. Policy Committee Update
  1. 1000 Series Review Summary

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2. First Reading of Board Policy Updates

B. Board Goals Update

C. Trustee Activity Reports

D. Superintendent's Annual Evaluation - (Closed Session, pending vote, pursuant to Section 8(1)(a) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act)

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

Grand Haven Area Public Schools
Agenda Item For Board Meeting

DATE: November 16, 2026

Agenda Topic: Unified District Public Address System - Phase Two

Presented by: Trent Carithers, Director of Safety & Security and Matthew Leigh, Assistant Director of Technology

Summary of Issue:
The district is implementing a network-operated public address system, allowing the operation of a robust and unified intra-building communication and alerting system. Phase Two of this implementation project primarily consists of Lakeshore Middle School, Grand Haven High School, Griffin Elementary School, and the Education Service Center.

Unified District Public Address System - Phase Two contains five subsections, four of which are presented today:
UDPAS-002026 Internal Fiber Replacement
UDPAS-012026 PA Devices and Installation Materials
UDPAS-022026 Network Cabling Installation
UDPAS-042026 PA System Finishing Costs

UDPAS-002026 Internal Fiber Replacement
$23,021.33 - Vector Solutions, Cable Replacement
$2,008.30 - Sentinel Technologies, Module Replacement
This subsection proposes replacement of all internal fiber-optic cables at all GHAPS buildings. The original internal fiber-optic infrastructure was installed over 20 years ago and has shown signs of deterioration and vulnerability to damage. When the cables are replaced, new compatible network modules must be installed.

The federal E-Rate program was utilized to assist with funding this section, which is providing approximately 80% of the original $104,092.45 needed. Strict bidding procedures were followed to comply with E-Rate requirements. The remaining $25,029.63 will be provided by the Sinking Fund.

UDPAS-012026 PA Devices and Installation Materials
$681,741.21 - MOSS, PA Devices
$49,086.86 - MOSS, Installation Materials
This subsection proposes the purchase and installation of new PA devices for Lakeshore Middle School, Grand Haven High School, Griffin Elementary School, and the Education Service Center. These are the same models as used in Phase One and have been meticulously mapped out for audio coverage, with the assistance of building administrators.

OMNIA Partners, a national contract pricing organization, was utilized to receive the best pricing available due to the large scale of its bidding process. The full $730,828.07 will be provided by the Sinking Fund.

UDPAS-022026 Network Cabling Installation
$91,272.20 - MOSS
This subsection proposes the installation of network cabling provided by UDPAS-012026 at Lakeshore Middle School, Grand Haven High School, Griffin Elementary School, and the Education Service Center. This new ethernet network cabling must be installed to connect each individual PA device to the network, which provides power and connectivity.

Michigan's SIGMA Procurement system was utilized to perform a public bidding process, which collected seven complete bids. From those bids MOSS was selected as the winning bidder, largely due to price as the low bid and familiarity with the project. The full $91,272.20 will be provided by the Sinking Fund.

UDPAS-042026 PA System Finishing Costs
$28,576.76 - Amazon
This subsection proposes the purchase and installation of various parts and materials to enhance the usability and protection of the new system at all GHAPS buildings. The primary components of this are protective cages to be used in athletic areas, speed-dial expansion modules for principals, secretaries, and clerks, and compatible desk phones for the expansion modules.

Amazon currently represents the lowest price for these products, and will be utilized as stock is available. The full $28,576.76 will be provided by the Sinking Fund.

<u>Administrative Recommendation:</u>
The Board is asked to approve all subsections of Unified District Public Address System - Phase 2 for a total cost not to exceed $875,705.66

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AGENDA ITEM FOR BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 16, 2026

Agenda Topic: Bond Update

Presented by: Michael MacDonald, Executive Director of Business Services

Summary of Issue:

Following the passage of the recent bond proposal, pending certification of the election, Michael MacDonald will provide an update and share information on the following next steps.

- Professional Services
- Bond Issuance
- Financial Oversight
- Project Planning & Design
- State Approvals & Bidding
- Community Transparency
- Financial Transparency
- Ongoing Board Updates

Administrative Recommendation:

No action required.

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AGENDA ITEM FOR BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 16, 2026

Agenda Topic: Griffin/Elementary Boundary Update

Presented by: Jason Reinecke, Assistant Superintendent of Human Services

Summary of Issue:

As the District continues to execute the adopted Master Plan of facilities, administration will share a proposed plan for determining new elementary school boundaries and consolidating Griffin Elementary School. This will include stakeholder engagement sessions through a newly formed task force.

Administrative Recommendation:

No action required.

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AGENDA ITEM FOR BOARD MEETING

DATE: November 16, 2026

Agenda Topic: First Reading of Board Policy Updates

Presented by: Nichol Stack, Board President

Summary of Issue:
As part of a regular review of the Board Policy Manual, the Board Labor & Policy Committee has completed a review of the 1000 Series. As a result, the Board is asked to support a first reading of the following policy updates:

Policy Updates:

1301 Creation Amendment and Posting of Policies - *Revised*
2505 Board Committees - *Revised*

Administrative Recommendation (no action):

The Board is asked to hear a first reading and review policies in preparation for action at the December Regular Board of Education meeting.

Series 1000: Policy Overview, Mission Statement, and Definitions

1300 Creation, Amendment, and Posting of Policies

1301 Creation, Amendment, and Posting of Policies

Each of these Policies will become an official District Policy when approved by a majority vote of the Board at a lawfully convened meeting. The adopted Policies override and supplant previously adopted Policies and Board resolutions.

The Board may adopt or amend any Policies or bylaws which are not dictated by the statutes or rules of the State Board of Education or ordered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction or a court of competent authority may be adopted, amended, and repealed at any meeting of the Board, provided the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal shall have been proposed at a previous Board meeting and, once proposed, shall have remained on the agenda of each succeeding Board meeting until approved or rejected, except that the Board may, upon a vote and where compelling reasons exist, cause to adopt, amend, or suspend bylaw or policy contained herein, provided the amendment, adoption, or suspension does not conflict with law. Any resolution adopting, amending, or suspending a bylaw or policy under this provision shall expire automatically at the next public meeting of the Board unless the Board moves to adopt the resolution in final form. The Board may, in its discretion, review Policies at multiple meetings before taking action.

Periodically, it may be deemed necessary to make technical corrections to policies that have already been adopted through normal procedures. These technical corrections may include statutory references, scrivener's errors, renumbering that does not change the order of the sections or subsections, grammatical corrections or additions including punctuation or typographical errors, as well as alterations and omissions not affecting the construction or meaning of any sections, subsections, chapters, titles, or policies as a whole. Technical corrections may also include the updating of the named individuals in these policies where the originally named individual no longer works for the District or no longer works in the applicable position. Should the Board choose to make such technical corrections, it may be accomplished by resolution without going through the normal policy adoption procedures.

Each Policy will include the date it was adopted or revised by the Board.

The Superintendent will maintain a master copy of these Policies in the District's central office, and the Policies may be posted on, or linked to, the District's website. The Board will post Policies on its website if required by law.

The Board shall review each of its policies at least once every five years to ensure they remain current, legally compliant, and aligned with district goals.

The Board may update, add, or delete Policies as needed. Unless otherwise directed by the Board, the master copy will be considered the official District Policy Manual, provided the master copy includes all Board-approved Policies.

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Legal authority: MCL 380.11a, 380.601a

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Series 2000: Bylaws

2500 Board Meetings and Open Meetings Act Compliance

2505 Board Committees

A. General

1. The Board may establish standing, advisory, and ad hoc committees as it deems necessary and advisable.

2. The Board determines a committee's ~~membership, chairperson,~~ purpose, duties, and authority. The Board ~~may delegate authority to the~~ President ~~to~~ determines a committee's membership and chairperson.

3. Only Board members who have completed the following requirements shall be eligible to be appointed to standing committees of the Board: Completed Michigan Association of School Board training of "CBA 101: Fundamentals of School Board Service".

4. A committee's membership must include at least 1 Board member.

5. A committee must be composed of fewer Board members than would constitute a quorum of the Board.

6. The Superintendent or designee may serve as an ex officio member of any committee.

B. Committee Meetings

1. Committee meetings will be convened by the committee's chairperson or designee.

2. When applicable, committee meetings must be held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Policy 2501, and, if applicable, Policy 2501A. Any committee that is authorized to deliberate, narrow options, eliminate options, or otherwise make decisions on the Board's behalf must conduct its meetings in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Policy 2501, and, if applicable, Policy 2501A, including notice requirements, recording minutes, and allowing for public participation.

3. Meeting notices as required by the Open Meetings Act, Policy 2501, and, if applicable, Policy 2501A, will be posted for any committee meeting at which more than a quorum of the Board may be present.

4. When required by the Open Meetings Act, a committee will keep minutes of its meetings. In addition, the Board may direct that a committee keep minutes of its meetings, even if not required by the Open Meetings Act.

C. Committee of the Whole Meetings

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The Board may meet as a committee of the whole. A committee of the whole meeting must be conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Policy 2501, and, if applicable, Policy 2501A. The provisions of this Policy do not otherwise apply to committee of the whole meetings.

Legal authority: MCL 15.261 et seq.; *Schmiedicke v Clare Sch Bd*, 228 Mich App 259 (1998)

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GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AGENDA ITEM FOR BOARD MEETING

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Agenda Topic: Superintendent's Annual Evaluation

Presented by: Nichol Stack, Board President

Summary of Issue:

The Board will hear a presentation from Superintendent Perkowski regarding her self-evaluation and achievement of goals. This is in preparation for the December 1, 2026 Special Board meeting when the board will meet to discuss and compile their annual evaluation of Superintendent Perkowski.

Superintendent Perkowski requests a Closed Session per Section 8(a) of the Open Meeting Act.

Administrative Recommendation (ROLL CALL)**:**

Motion to move into Closed Session, at the request of Superintendent Perkowski, per section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act for the purpose of the Superintendent's Annual Evaluation.