

BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP

Friday, April 24, 2026 ~ 8:30 AM
GHAPS Education Service Center

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 - March 9, 2026 Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes - March 9, 2026 Closed Session
- C. Payment of Bills - March

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. End of Year Celebration Reminders

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 relate to an agenda item or to other areas of interest. The Board does not take action on comments or questions made during public comment. Comments may be referred to the Superintendent for review, response, research, and/or recommendation at a later time, as appropriate. The Board asks that all speakers identify themselves, use the microphone, and limit remarks to three minutes. We welcome your input.

V. TEACHING & LEARNING

- A. 6th Grade Magnetic Literacy, Adoption & Purchase Approval
- B. Michigan Continuous Improvement Process (MI-CIP)
- C. Fencing Purchase Approval

VI. FINANCE & OPERATIONS

- A. Districtwide Grounds Contract Approval
- B. White Pines Electrical & Rosy Mound Boiler Contract Approval
- C. ODC Playscape Donation Agreement
- D. Food Service Update
- E. MSBO Conference Presentation Overview

VII. **LABOR & POLICY**

- A. Administrative Update
- B. New Hires Approval
- C. Enrollment Study Update [Strategic Plan: Theme 2-Fiscal Responsibility & Sustainability]

VIII. **SUPERINTENDENT**

- A. Student Representatives Report Out
- B. Strategic Plan Update
 - 1. Muskegon Community College Partnership Update [Strategic Plan: Theme 1-Rigorous, Relevant & Engaging Learning]
- C. AASA, Superintendent Symposium Report
- D. Master Plan/Bond Update
 - 1. Building Tours
 - 2. Key Communicators
 - 3. Student Voice
 - 4. AI Task Force

IX. **BOARD PRESIDENT**

- A. Trustee Activity Summaries
- B. Board Goal Setting
- C. Proposed Closed Session (pursuant to 8(1)(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act in connection with 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act to consider attorney-client privileged materials)

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
AGENDA ITEM FOR BOARD MEETING

DATE: April 24, 2026

Agenda Topic: 6th Grade Magnetic Literacy, Adoption and Purchase

Presented by: Mary Jane Evink, Executive Director of Instructional Services

Summary of Issue:

After adopting and purchasing Magnetic Literacy for Kindergarten through fifth grades, the sixth grade ELA teachers piloted it alongside another curriculum. The teachers and the K-12 ELA Team are recommending the adoption of Magnetic Literacy for sixth grade for all the reasons we are adopting it for the other grades. It is aligned to the science of reading, it is integrated with all the components of ELA, it has less screen time than the competing curriculum that was piloted, it has more support for students working below grade level, and the pacing guide is structured to keep teachers on pace. White Pines will now have consistency on their ELA resource.

We are asking the Board of Education to approve the adoption and purchase. The quote is for one year at \$17,835.12. The following five years will be bundled into one quote and presented to the board next year.

Administrative Recommendation:

Motion to approve the adoption and purchase of Magnetic Literacy as the 6th grade reading resource for one year in the amount of \$17,835.12.

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Agenda Topic: Michigan Continuous Improvement Process (MI-CIP)

Presented by: Mary Jane Evink, Executive Director of Instructional Services

Summary of Issue:

Each year, the Board of Education and the District Continuous Improvement Team participate in a Comprehensive Needs Assessment where they look at data from the year, which includes their experiences from the classroom and meetings, and make suggestions to update the MICIP goals for the following year.

The current [MICIP Goals 2025-26](#) are included in this packet. The Board of Education will be given time to reflect on the goals and make suggestions to update them for next year.

Administrative Recommendation:

No Action Required.

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Agenda Topic: Fencing Purchase Approval

Presented by: Mary Jane Evink, Executive Director of Instructional Services

Summary of Issue:

The operations department solicited bids for the replacement and addition of new chain link fencing at Duneside Discovery Center. The ODC provided architectural drawings and specifications, which were used in the request for proposals.

We received six responses from local contractors. Fence Consultants of West Michigan provided the most cost-effective response with a total cost of \$58,550.00.

If approved, the work will start mid to late May and end before school begins for the 2026/2027 school year.

This fencing addition and improvements will help with student safety at Duneside Discovery Center and improve the outdoor learning environment.

Because this fencing is safety-related, a majority of the cost will be covered by a \$46,000.00 GSRP grant. The remainder of the cost will be covered by our partners at the Outdoor Discovery Center.

Administrative Recommendation:

Motion to approve the bid from Fence Consultants of West Michigan in the amount of \$58,550.00 for the installation of fencing at Duneside Discovery Center. This project will be paid for with funds from GSRP and the Outdoor Discovery Center.

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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DATE: April 24, 2026

Agenda Topic: Districtwide Grounds Contract Approval

Presented by: Michael MacDonald, Executive Director of Business Services

Summary of Issue:

The operations department solicited bids for district-wide grounds maintenance for spring through fall of 2026. This will consist of a spring and fall cleanup, pruning three times during the season, landscape bed maintenance, edging, string trimming, and mowing.

We received three responses from local contractors. Amerilawn, Lakeshore Property Services, and Dykstra Landscape Management, Inc.

Dykstra Landscape Management, Inc submitted the most cost-effective response to our RFP at \$203,624.00 for the season.

Administrative Recommendation:

Motion to approve the contract with Dykstra Landscape Management, Inc for the sum of \$203,624.00 for the 2026 season.

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Agenda Topic: White Pines Electrical & Rosy Mound Boiler

Presented by: Michael MacDonald, Executive Director of Business Services

Summary of Issue:

Bid proposals were received on February 26, 2026 for the above-referenced project. Plans were posted on GMB's electronic plan room, Builder's Exchange, as well as notifications placed on the State's website and in the local newspaper. Three bidders responded, and the proposals were read aloud at a public bid opening conducted at the GHAPS Education Service Center. All bidders were asked to provide Base Bid pricing for the project, upon which the evaluation and award is based. We will be updating the highest priority electrical needs at White Pines, as well as the Rosy Mound boiler.

On April 9, 2026 a post-bid addendum was issued, and bidders were given the opportunity to revise their bids to reflect the modified scope. For both the original bid event and the post-bid addendum, Muskegon Quality Builders, Inc provided the lowest price.

A post-bid interview was held with Muskegon Quality Builders, Inc confirming their alignment with the scope requirements. It is our recommendation that the project be awarded to Muskegon Quality Builders, Inc as the lowest qualified bidder. The bid breakdown is as follows:

General Contractor

- Base Bid* \$884,760.00
- PLM Bond \$12,000.00
- Project Total \$896,760.00

Base Bid revised per post-bid addendum 01

We recommend that a 15% contingency be held by the Owner for the project, in addition to the base project costs as indicated above.

Contingency (15% of Project Total) \$134,514.00
Project Total \$1,031,274.00

Administrative Recommendation:

Motion to approve the contract with Muskegon Quality Builders for a total amount of \$1,031,274 that will be paid out of the Sinking Fund.

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Agenda Topic: ODC Playscape Donation Agreement

Presented by: Michael MacDonald, Executive Director of Business Services

Summary of Issue:

This agenda item concerns approval of a donation agreement related to improvements at the Early Childhood Center. The agreement outlines support for sitework and outdoor play enhancements, including playscapes, that will improve the functionality, safety, and overall learning environment of the facility. Consideration of this item reflects the district's ongoing efforts to enhance educational spaces for young learners through community partnership and strategic investment in campus improvements.

Administrative Recommendation:

Motion to approve the donation agreement with the Outdoor Discovery Center for site and playscape improvements worth \$950,000.

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Agenda Topic: Food Service Update

Presented by: Michael MacDonald, Executive Director of Business Services

Summary of Issue:

Sean West, Food Services Director, will present a department update. Topics will include cafeteria updates, student access to food, meal numbers, and vended meals.

Administrative Recommendation:

No Action Required.

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Agenda Topic: MSBO Conference Presentation

Presented by: Michael MacDonald, Executive Director of Business Services

Summary of Issue:

Michael MacDonald will provide an overview of a presentation he recently gave at the Michigan School Business Officials (MSBO) Conference.

Administrative Recommendation:

No Action Required.

GRAND HAVEN AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Agenda Topic: New Hire

Presented by: Jason Reinecke, Assistant Superintendent of Human Services

Summary of Issue:

Interview teams have met with and interviewed candidates. It is the recommendation of the interview team to offer an employment contract for a position within the district to the following candidate:

New Hires/Teachers	Position	Building	Level
Savannah Diamond	Teacher - Speech Language Pathologist	GHHS & Griffin	MA + 25 Step 1
Logan Vallie	Teacher - Science	LMS	MA Step 7

Administration	Position	Building	Salary
Jennifer Byxbe	Principal	Lake Hills	TBD
Megan Goffnett	Principal	Robinson	TBD
Jennifer Shaughnessy	Principal	WPIS	TBD

Administrative Recommendation:

Motion to offer employment contract to the above-named candidates for the 2026-27 school year, with placement on the salary schedule as presented.

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Agenda Topic: Enrollment Study Update [Strategic Plan: Theme 2 - Fiscal Responsibility & Sustainability]

Presented by: Jason Reinecke, Assistant Superintendent of Human Services

Summary of Issue:

The purpose of this agenda item is to present the findings of an enrollment study conducted in partnership with Thru Consulting. This study was identified as a priority within the Grand Haven Area Public Schools Strategic Plan, which includes the following goal:

“The district will conduct a comprehensive study to determine why some families have chosen to enroll their students outside of GHAPS.”

During this presentation, the administration will provide the Board of Education with:

- An overview of the study process and methodology
- A summary of key findings and themes
- Initial considerations to inform future planning and decision-making

Administrative Recommendation:

No Action Required.

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Agenda Topic: Strategic Plan Update

Presented by: Kristin Perkowski, Superintendent

Summary of Issue:

Superintendent Perkowski will provide a progress update on the District's Strategic Plan, including information on a developing partnership between Grand Haven Area Public Schools and Muskegon Community College. This aligns with Theme 1 of the Strategic Plan: Rigorous, Relevant & Engaging Learning.

Administrative Recommendation:

No Action Required.

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Agenda Topic: AASA, Superintendent Symposium Update

Presented by: Kristin Perkowski, Superintendent

Summary of Issue:

Superintendent Perkowski is pleased to share that she was selected to attend the AASA National Superintendent Symposium, a highly regarded invitation-based convening of superintendents from across the country. This opportunity reflects both the work happening in other districts and the commitment to continuous improvement at the highest levels of leadership.

The symposium brought together a diverse cohort of district leaders to engage in deep learning, problem-solving, and forward-thinking dialogue around the most pressing issues in public education. **Key areas of focus** included leadership for **systems transformation, student-centered learning, workforce development, mental health supports**, and the **effective integration of innovation and technology, including ways AI is already starting to transform public education.**

A report will be provided on her recent attendance at this conference and the value it brings to our district.

Administrative Recommendation:

No Action Required.

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Agenda Topic: Master Plan/Bond Update

Presented by: Kristin Perkowski, Superintendent

Summary of Issue:

An update will be provided on progress made and next steps towards the approved Master Plan. Areas of focus will include building tours for Board members, feedback from the Key Communicators groups, feedback from students, and the possible development of an AI Task Force.

Administrative Recommendation:

No Action Required.

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Agenda Topic: Proposed Closed Session

Presented by: Nichol Stack, Board President

Summary of Issue:

Proposed Closed Session (pursuant to 8(1)(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act in connection with 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act to consider attorney-client privileged materials).

Administrative Recommendation (ROLL CALL):

Motion to move into closed session pursuant to 8(1)(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act in connection with 13(1)(g) of the Freedom of Information Act to consider attorney-client privileged materials.