

**MINUTES:** Meeting of the Monona Grove School District Board of Education, held Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at 7:00 pm

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Loreen Gage, Susan Manning, Peter Sobol, Susan Fox (arrived at 7:05pm), Eric Hartz, and Elizabeth Cook Philip Haven (Virtually)

**STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE :** Krishna Elwell

**ADMINISTRATORS & STAFF PRESENT:** Daniel Olson, Christa Foster, Lisa Heipp, Nicole Thibodeau, Katy Byrnes Kaiser, Mark Powell, Mitchal McGrath and Emily Foster

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**A. Call to Order – Loreen Gage** called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**B. Declaration of Public Notice** - acknowledged

**C. Order of Business**

**D. Public Appearances** - none

**E. Consent Agenda**

1. February 22, 2023 School Board Meeting Minutes
2. Staff Hirings
3. Staff Resignations & Retirements

**Resignations:**

Kevin Connor – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Teacher at GDS, effective 4/7/2023, resignation received 3/1/2023

**Retirements:**

Janice Stone – Band Director at GDS – effective 6/9/2023

4. Staff Contract Amendments
5. Vouchers Payable
6. Donations
7. Resolution for the Wisconsin School Nutrition Purchasing Cooperative Agreement

**Motion:** Peter Sobol moved approval of the consent agenda as presented, Susan Manning seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Susan Manning – aye, Philip Haven – aye, Eric Hartz - aye, Elizabeth Cook - aye, Peter Sobol – aye and Loreen Gage – aye. The motion carried 6-0.

**H. Recognitions**

1. The [GDS Science Olympiad](#) team recently competed at the regional competition and took home medals in six events while facing 15 schools and 24 total teams. Congratulations to the team for all their hard work and we wish them good luck as they move onto state!
2. Through our Farm to School program partnership, we've featured local foods in our school lunches each Thursday. Last week students who ordered school lunch got to try chili with a few local ingredients. This week is also National School Breakfast Week. We know how important it is for our students to eat a healthy meal at the start of the day so they can focus on learning throughout the day. Thanks to our school nutrition team for all the work they do to serve meals for our students!

3. We are so proud of the dedication and hard work that our athletic teams have been putting in this winter season. The boys basketball team completed their season with a record of 17-9. Congratulations to the seniors on the team: Eddie Rivera, Max Weise, Johnny Bittner, Josh Kirore, Brady Voss, DeAndre Lemon and Cole Inda. The girls basketball team finished off their season with a record of 21-5. Congrats to seniors Taylor Moreau and Delaney Bracken.
4. The High School Model UN Team made history by winning the biggest award in MGMUN history as Outstanding Delegation at the Chicago International Model UN Conference. Great job to all the students who participated and we wish them the best of luck as they complete the season at their final competition next week.

## **I. Correspondence and Announcements**

### **J. Administrative Reports**

1. Superintendent's Report – Dan Olson  
Dr. Olson updated the Board on the communication plan for the upcoming referendum.
2. Business Services Report – Mark Powell  
Mark Powell shared the 2021-2022 Financial Audits for the District and MG21 that were conducted by Wipfli. The audit is unmodified and compliant with state and federal requirements.

### **K. Board Reports**

Teaching Learning and Equity Committee – Elizabeth Cook  
The TLE Committee met on February 27, 2023 at the meeting they revisited the elementary school structure. The Committee will continue the discussion.

### **L. Possible Action Items**

1. 2022-2023 School Calendar Revision and Start and End Times for Monona Grove High School and Glacial Drumlin School

**Motion:** Susan Fox motioned to move approval of 2022-2023 School Calendar Revision and Start and End Times for Monona Grove High School and Glacial Drumlin School as presented. The Board discussed the plan further.

Susan Manning seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Philip Haven – aye, Elizabeth Cook – aye, Susan Fox – aye, Peter Sobol – aye, Eric Hartz – nay, Susan Manning – aye and Loreen Gage – aye. The motion carried 6-1.

2. Middleton-Cross Plains Area and Monona Grove School Districts Cooperative Contract – Safety and Security Services Wisconsin Statute 66.0301

**Motion:** Susan Fox motioned to move approval of the Middleton-Cross Plains Area and Monona Grove School Districts Cooperative Contract – Safety and Security Services Wisconsin Statute 66.0301 as presented, Susan Manning seconded. A roll call vote was taken. Philip Haven – aye, Susan Fox – aye, Peter Sobol – aye, Eric Hartz – aye, Susan Manning – aye, Elizabeth Cook – aye, and Loreen Gage – aye. The motion carried 7-0.

**M. Discussion Items**

1. 2023-2024 Certified Staffing Plan

The Board discussed the 2023-2024 Certified Staffing Plan. No action was taken.

**N. Future Meeting Dates**

March 22 - Regular Board Meeting 7:00 pm (6:00 pm Closed Session, if necessary)

April 12 - Regular Board Meeting 7:00 pm (6:00 pm Closed Session, if necessary)

April 24 - School Board Reorganization Meeting 6:00 pm

**P. Adjournment**

**Motion:** Peter Sobol moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:23pm. Elizabeth Cook seconded, a roll call vote was taken. Susan Manning -aye, Peter Sobol – aye, Susan Fox - aye, Eric Hartz – aye, Philip Haven – aye, Loreen Gage – aye. The motion carried 7-0.

**APPROVED:** MGSD Board of Education  
March 22, 2023

**SIGNATURE:** Loreen Gage