

February 24, 2023

Dear Oak Grove Community,

Thank you to everyone who attended the OGS Board meeting on Tuesday night. This was the first LIVE streamed board meeting. Below you will find the brief recap of the meeting. As a reminder, these are not approved minutes and the Board is not allowed to share the information discussed in Executive Session.

1. There was a joint presentation with the Facilities Committee and financial consultant, Dr. Robert Grossi, President of Illuminate, Inc.. The presentation shared the positive financial state our school is in with regards to upcoming capital projects. The decision to continue with the current roofing project for FY 23 will commence as planned. The discussion of a potential expansion to address space concerns will continue. The Board agreed that the Facilities committee should continue its work and take the next steps necessary to create an expansion committee.
2. The current exit interview process in place was shared by the superintendent. In collaboration with the Board, all staff who provide notice to the Administration will be sent an exit interview document and asked to complete the form and present that signed form at the exit interview. A member of the Administration that does not conduct the departing person's evaluation will conduct the exit interview. The exit interview document will be provided to the Board. If the exiting staff member does not wish to provide any information on an exit interview document, they will be asked to sign the form indicating their desire not to complete such a document. Staff member's reasons for leaving are protected under the personnel exemption to the Open Meetings Act and for that reason the review and discussion of the exit interview will take place in Executive session.
3. Improving modes of communication continues to be a focus of the Board. Board meetings will be LIVE streamed and recorded. The LIVE streaming link can be found in the Oak Grove News prior to the meeting. The recording link will be posted to the Oak Grove website 48 hours after the meeting. The Communications committee will be reaching out to the community for input through a communications survey as well as questions the community may have about the workings of the Board.
4. Recently, the Administration and Board invited parents to join the selection process for our new principal. We are excited that many took us up on this offer and we hope to have a formal announcement within the next month.
5. The 2023-24 calendar (option 3) was approved. Classes will begin on August 21st. Additionally, EID will now be a non-attendance day based on student absence data presented by the administration.
6. Susie Kiefer, Anna Edelson and Ryan Murray presented information on Restorative Practices, including the "what" and "why" of Restorative Practices and how the practice benefits the student and staff culture. The presentation can be found in the Committee of the Whole Agenda.

As always, we look forward to working diligently and professionally with the teachers, administration, and all of you. Thank you.

The Oak Grove School Board of Education