

Wayne-Westland Community Schools
Westland, Michigan 48185
August 10, 2009
Regular Board Meeting/7:01 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: President Monit, Vice President Schofield, Secretary Pitsenbarger, Treasurer Walker and Trustees Gabriel, Goci and Middel.

CITIZENS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS – Pitsenbarger

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

- a. Organizational Meeting Minutes: July 13, 2009

HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS

- a. Request for Leave of Absence/Instructional Personnel
- b. Termination/Instructional Personnel
- c. Resignation/Non-Instructional Personnel
- d. Non-Affiliated New Hires

BUSINESS SERVICES ITEMS

- a. Recommendation to Purchase Netbook Computers and Carts
- b. Recommendation to Purchase Desktop Computers
- c. Recommendation to Purchase Custodial Supplies through a Single-Source Supply Agreement
- d. Recommendation to Purchase Security System Upgrades
- e. Recommendation to Purchase Servers and Disk Storage Units
- f. Recommendation to Approve Lease Extension – Rose F. Kennedy Respite Care Center
- g. Payment of Invoices
- h. Investment Report

DONATIONS

- a. John Knoerl: Apple Monitor and Keyboard

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM AGREEMENTS

- a. Melvindale-Northern Allen Park School District

ACTION ITEMS (Unanimous votes unless otherwise noted):

- a. Human Resource Items:

Appointment of Bridget Regan as Principal of Hamilton Elementary School
Appointment of Mary Wizinsky as Assistant Principal of Wayne Memorial High School

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Baracy

Dr. Baracy reported that the 21st Century Schools Committee met on July 21, 2009; they reviewed the guiding principles and the conditions which were agreed upon to work under; members of the at large committee signed up for individual or team committees consisting of facilities, communication, instruction, enrollment, and finance and human resources; all of the parents and community members have been placed on the committee of their choice; they will be notified of the date of their first team committee meeting in the next week.

Dr. Baracy announced to the listening audience that anyone wanting to learn more about the 21st Century Schools Committee should go to the district's website at wwcsd.net and click on the 21st Century Schools logo. There is information on the agendas, handouts, and minutes from all of the meetings as well as additional links to resources. He encouraged anyone with questions, to contact his office directly.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS – Monit

Human Resources: Treasurer Walker reported that the committee met on August 4, 2009 and the following agenda items were discussed: Open Contract Negotiations; Administrative Candidates; 21st Century Schools Update; and an upcoming MASB Conference.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: GENERAL – Pitsenbarger

There were no public comments.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – Monit

C. Middel: Reminded the audience that the annual Wayne Wheelfest is scheduled for August 27-30, 2009 and many of the district employees will be participating in the parade; congratulated and welcomed both Bridget Regan and Mary Wizinsky to the school district; stated that she hoped they will enjoy their tenure with us; and she is looking forward to working with them.

B. Gabriel: Asked Dr. Baracy the following questions: Has the state legislature passed the school aid bill yet? What can the community do to help other than contacting our legislators? and Wasn't the stimulus money supposed to come to the aid of schools so they didn't drop below their level of funding? Dr. Baracy responded that the school aid bill has not passed and there are mixed reports coming out of Lansing as to when that will happen; and as long as revenue continues to decline in the State of Michigan the only things that can be done is to cut costs, implement containment procedures and increase revenue enhancements to get us out of this financial hole that began to develop more than 7 years ago.

Mr. Gabriel welcomed Bridget and Mary to Hamilton Elementary School and Wayne Memorial High School, respectively.

M. Pitsenbarger: Stated that more people in the community are becoming aware of the financial situation facing school districts; she is glad that we have set things in motion with our 21st Century Schools Committee; is grateful to the people who have attended the meetings and want to be involved; feels that we are one step ahead of other districts; announced that she truly believes that every child needs an education and hopes that in the future it won't be so dismal; and welcomed Mary Wizinsky and Bridget Regan to our school district.

C. Schofield: Announced that she completely agrees with Mrs. Pitsenbarger's statements; welcomed and congratulated Bridget and Mary to the district and stated that she is looking forward to seeing both of them throughout the school year.

S. Walker: Congratulated both Bridget Regan and Mary Wizinsky to their new administrative appointments and welcomed them to the district; she is looking forward to working with both of them; and announced that all Board Members received a copy of the July/2009 Head Start monthly report this evening for their review.

J. Goci: Welcomed the two new hires – Bridget and Mary; questioned the process on how salaries are assigned to newly hired administrators and teachers; and asked Dr. Baracy if the Board could look into why Westland residents pay taxes and are affiliated with Wayne County Community College instead of Schoolcraft College.

ADJOURNMENT: Approximately 7:40 p.m.

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