

Wayne-Westland Community Schools
Westland, Michigan 48185
January 14, 2008
Regular Board Meeting/7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: President Monit, Vice President Schofield, Secretary Pitsenbarger, Treasurer Becher and Trustees Turner and Weaver.

NOTE: The agenda was amended to add the 2007-2008 Michigan School Readiness Program State Aid Resolution to the formal agenda.

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS – Baracy

- a. Recognition: “Convergence Center of Science and Engineering Excellence” Honor – William D. Ford Career Technical Center – Kowalski
- b. Recognition: 2007-2008 Wayne-Westland Junior Miss Scholarship Program Participants – Baker
- c. Recognition: Board of Education Members - Baracy

CITIZENS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS – Pitsenbarger

G. Helmer: Representative from Local 58 who expressed his concerns regarding the proposed electrical bid contract awards to Great Lakes Power & Lighting, Inc.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes: December 3, 2007

HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS

- a. Placement/Non-Instructional Personnel
- b. Request for Leave of Absence/Non-Instructional Personnel
- c. Deceased/Non-Instructional Personnel
- d. Resignation/Instructional Personnel
- e. Non-Affiliated New Hires/Terminations (informational)

BUSINESS SERVICES ITEMS

- a. Bid Recommendation – Kettering Elementary School Gym Divider Wall Replacement, TMP Project #07116
- b. Recommendation to Purchase Dell Computers
- c. Site Utility Change Order: Bid Package #22 – John Glenn High School Gym & Fitness Addition Project
- d. Payment of Invoices
- e. Investment Report

DONATIONS

- a. Sylvia Rubach: Digital Answering System
- b. Nona Yackel: Gateway Computer/Monitor/Microsoft Ergonomic Keyboard/Mouse
- c. Janice McCrary: T-Jack’s, Pair Jacks and Spark Plug Cleaner
- d. Mike Certo (Snap-On Industrial): Assorted Snap On Tools
- e. Joel Matthew Clark: 1995 Dodge
- f. David Tucker: Aluminum Wheels/Tires/Lug Nuts
- g. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Jackson: Monetary Donation to the Gina Jackson Scholarship Fund
- h. City of Wayne Parks and Recreation Center: Free Admittance Passes for Swimming and for the Wayne Theater
- i. Wayne Dairy Queen: Free Ice Cream Coupons

- j. Monetary Donations to the Wayne-Westland Family Resource Center for Holiday Meal Assistance: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church WELCA Women's Group; Ginny Kowalski; Steven Kay; Kristy Steffes; Greg & Gabi Baracy; Charlotte Sherman; Janet O'Brien; Walt Pytlak; Richard & Starr Lang; and Chad & Kelly Stuckey

ACTION ITEMS (Unanimous votes unless otherwise noted):Business Services & Finance Items:

- a. Approval of Bid Package #23: Media Center Additions to Edison Elementary School, Patchin Elementary School and Schweitzer Elementary School – Sinking Fund
- b. Approval of Bid Package #24: John Glenn High School Pool System Filter Replacement Project – Sinking Fund
- c. Approval of F07/08 General Fund Operating Budget Amendment: January, 2008

Human Resource Items:

- d. Appointment of John Albrecht as Executive Director of Student and Legal Affairs
- e. Approval of the WWEA/Adult & Community Education Contract Agreement (September 1, 2006 – August 31, 2009)

Other Agenda Items:

- f. Approval of Adoption and Purchase of Eighth Grade Science Textbooks
- g. Approval of the 2007-2008 Michigan School Readiness Program State Aid Participating Resolution

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Baracy

Dr. Baracy made the following comments:

Complimented the talented students and district staff on the wide variety of school programs, concerts and activities which took place before the holidays and reminded the listening audience that next Monday, January 21, 2008, is the annual celebration for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at Annapolis Park Church of Christ in Westland. Terrance McClain will be the guest speaker of the event which begins at 9:30 a.m. Dr. Baracy extended an invitation to members of the community to attend.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS – Monit

Human Resources: Trustee Weaver reported that the committee met on December 18, 2007. The following agenda items were discussed: Local 4 and A/CE Negotiations Update; James Zoltowski Tenure Update; Miscellaneous Personnel Issues; and Common Calendar and Trimesters.

Finance: Treasurer Becher reported that the committee met on January 9, 2008. The following agenda items were discussed: F07/08 Budget Amendment; Revised Historical Trend and Five Year Financial Forecast; Update on Michigan Avenue Land Purchase; Status of Sinking Fund and Building & Site Projects; County-Wide Common Calendar; Status of Contract Negotiations; Food Services Federal Audit; Status of Long Range Capital Planning – Bond Project; Pupil Count Analysis; and Livonia Liv-Oak Middle School Conference.

Instruction: Vice President Schofield reported that the committee met on December 14, 2007. The following agenda items were discussed: Presentation of the 8th Grade Science Textbook Recommendation; Trimester Adoption; Review of the State Graduation Requirements for Physical Education and Health; Athletic Fundraisers; and Wayne RESA's Common School Calendar.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: GENERAL – Pitsenbarger

B. Johnson: Expressed his concerns regarding the non-renewal of Todd DeLuca's football coaching contract at John Glenn High School.

B. Summerville: Questioned the way the non-renewal of Coach DeLuca's contract for football coaching was handled.

S. Sonak: Expressed her words of appreciation for Coach Todd DeLuca and what he has done for the students.

S. Brown: Volunteer in the community who expressed his praises of Brian Swinehart, Athletic Director of John Glenn High School.

M. Anderson: Basketball Coach at John Glenn High School who complimented Athletic Director Brian Swinehart on his administrative abilities and supported the difficult decisions he has had to make.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – Monit

C. Schofield: Expressed her frustration over the number of grants that are initially funded for 2-3 years by the state and then suddenly their funding is discontinued without much notice; stated that we are already half way through the school year and it is exam week at the high schools; she had the opportunity to attend many of the concerts last month; all were wonderful and our students really "shined" in all of them; and wished the community a healthy and safe 2008.

M. Pitsenbarger: Wished everyone a safe and happy 2008; glad that school "kicked back in" with the new year and that the weather is cooperating; announced that Schweitzer Elementary School had a picture in the Observer Newspapers of the kindergarteners who were raising ducks; congratulated John Albrecht on his new position and congratulated the staff and students at the Career-Technical Center on receiving the Convergence Award – the Center is second to none!

E. Turner: Thanked Andre Brown and Kayla Strong for leading the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance this evening; wished everyone a Happy New Year; and stated that he was extremely pleased with all of the student concerts and performances before the holidays.

S. Becher: Congratulated John Albrecht on his promotion and stated the he too attended many of the student activities that took place before the holidays.

F. Weaver: Congratulated John Albrecht on his new appointment.

S. Monit: Congratulated John Albrecht and wished everyone a Happy New Year!

ADJOURNMENT: Approximately 9:05 p.m.

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