

Wayne-Westland Community Schools
Westland, Michigan 48185
January 16, 2007
Regular, Board Meeting/7:00 p.m.

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

RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS – Baracy

- a. Recognition: 2007 North American Auto Show Poster Contest – Kowalski
Chairman’s Award Recipient Bethany Hamlet
- b. Recognition: 2006-2007 Wayne-Westland Junior Miss Scholarship Program
Participants – Turner
- c. Recognition: Board of Education Members - Baracy

CITIZENS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: AGENDA ITEMS – Pitsenbarger

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

- a. Regular Meeting Minutes: December 4, 2006

HUMAN RESOURCE ITEMS

- a. Placement/Hourly Instructional Personnel
- b. Resignation/Non-Instructional Personnel
- c. Placement/Non-Instructional Personnel
- d. Resignation/Non-Instructional Personnel
- e. Non-Affiliated New Hires/Terminations (informational)

BUSINESS SERVICES ITEMS

- a. Payment of Invoices
- b. Investment Report
- c. Agreement Renewal for the City of Wayne Police Officer Liaison at Franklin Middle School

DONATIONS

- a. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Jackson: Monetary Donation to the Gina Jackson Scholarship Fund
- b. Grange 389: Monetary Donation to the Stottlemeyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center
- c. Mr. Matt Korte (Korte’s Collision): 42 Quarts of Paint DBU and 681 Pints of Paint DBU
- d. Sylvan Auto Supply Inc.: 117 Gallons of Paint; 61 Quarts of Paint; Mixing Table; Mixing Scale; Micro Tech Machine and Paint Mix Supplies
- e. Mr. Jerry Rewers: New Process 203 Transfer Case

ACTION ITEMS (Unanimous votes unless otherwise noted):

- a. Approval of Partial Bid Package #22: John Glenn Gymnasium & Fitness Addition – Building and Site Fund
- b. Human Resource Item: Approval of Contract(s)/Instructional Personnel
- c. Approval of Board Policy Revision #7630 – Graduation Requirements

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Baracy

Dr. Baracy had no report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS – Weaver

Policy Committee: Vice President McClain reported that the committee met on December 8, 2006 to review the proposed revisions to Board Policy #7630 – Graduation Requirements. The proposed new language reflects the new state mandated graduation requirements that will begin with this year's 8th grade class. Discussion took place on the additional requirements, especially in math and science, and their effect upon the elective programs.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS, BOARD OF EDUCATION – Weaver

M. Pitsenbarger: Wished everyone a Happy New Year!; she is glad to see all of the students back in school; reminded the audience that second semester begins next week; congratulated Bethany Hamlet on her award and stated that she was very impressed with her poster design; congratulated all of the Wayne-Westland Junior Miss Scholarship participants; and always looks forward to them attending the Board Meeting.

C. Schofield: Announced that in December she had the privilege of attending Franklin Middle School's Honor Society Induction Ceremony, and it was very nice; Wayne Memorial High School's Instrumental Music Concert was fabulous; the Wayne Memorial High School Zebra Parent Advisory Council (Z-PAC) is sponsoring a fundraiser dinner with a Valentine's Day theme on Friday, February 9, 2007 at the Career Technical Center; tickets are \$40 per person or \$70 a couple; proceeds from the benefit will go toward a senior class dinner for the 2007 graduates; if anyone would like tickets they can contact the main office at Wayne Memorial – 419.2206.

E. Turner: Thanked the Board for recognizing the Junior Miss Scholarship participants; Wayne Memorial's Instrumental Music Department performed an excellent concert before the holidays; he has enjoyed attending the Spelling Bee's at various elementary schools; stated that he is proud of the success of the JROTC programs at both high schools; announced that the Glenn Singers will perform at the end of the Dyer Senior Citizens next business meeting; and is always glad to hear of the positive things our students are accomplishing in the district and the positive press they receive.

S. Monit: Echoed the comments of his fellow Board Members Becher and Turner regarding the new state mandated graduation requirements; stated that the requirements will be tough on our students and he is concerned that they will take away elective course selections from students; thanked the administration for recognizing the Board Members for their service and emphasized that they do this job not for recognition but for the "love" of the students and the community; congratulated Bethany Hamlet on being the recipient of the Chairman's Award for the North American Auto Show Poster Contest; her design was very creative and innovative; and announced that the Z-PAC sponsored fundraiser dinner will be catered by Chef Tony.

S. Becher: Stated that he attended a workshop on the Headstart Program last week at U of M regarding the new federal compliance issues that must be met in order for our district and other agencies to operate federal programs; congratulated Bethany Hamlet on her award and was delighted that Channel 4's (WDIV) broadcast tape was shown tonight for the audience; and hoped that everyone had a happy holiday season.

T. McClain: Wished everyone a Happy New Year; congratulated Bethany on her wonderful achievement and stated that this is indicative of the kind of students we have in the district and the quality of educational programming we have at the Career Technical Center; thanked Ed Turner and Pat Hermatz for the quality and consistency of the work they do for the Junior Miss Scholarship Program every year; noted for the audience that the monies approved tonight for John Glenn's Gymnasium and Fitness addition are coming out of Building and Site Funds and not the General Fund operating budget; he highlighted our lobbyist's report from Lansing detailing the possibility of educational funding cuts as the state tries to balance their budget and reduce the \$800 million projected deficit they are facing this year; stressed the importance of community members to call or write their legislators to not make any cuts in education; announced that he will be attending the Federal Relations Network Conference next month in Washington D.C., and he will be using his own monies and not district monies; and concluded by reading several excerpts from a publication by NSBA on tough times and tough choices regarding the educational direction the state legislature is heading toward.

F. Weaver: Commented that he walked through the new Alumni Arena at Wayne Memorial High School, and it is just fabulous; it is beyond description; he thanked the contractors for the job they did; and all of the district employees who had a part in the project.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: GENERAL – Pitsenbarger

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT: Approximately 8:12 p.m.

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