

The Huron Valley Schools Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Ms. Cotter at 7:00 PM on Monday, October 12, 2015, at Lakeland High School, 1630 Bogie Lake Rd, White Lake, MI 48383.

Members Present: Ms. Cotter, Mr. Long, Ms. Brown, Ms. Walsh, Ms. Lewis

Members Absent: Ms. Blackwell, Mr. Carlson

The Pledge of Allegiance

Information from the Board President

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Brown and supported by Ms. Walsh that the Board of Education approve the agenda as amended. (New Administrators will be presented at the next meeting.)

AYES: Brown, Ms. Walsh, Mr. Long, Ms. Lewis, Ms. Cotter

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Items from the Board

Board Treasurer

Mr. Long reported that last Tuesday, the State House Appropriations Subcommittee on School Aid heard testimony on the issues associated with how the State counts students for the purpose of funding. Much of the testimony focused on declining enrollment and the issue of 90 percent of funding coming from the first October count which places districts in a position of having to plan their budgets in the spring (and approved in June) without knowing what the majority of their funding will be until October. Several new ideas were offered during the testimony that could assist districts in using an earlier count for their funding, letting them use the higher of the previous year or the current year count, or an average of the two years' counts. Either way it appears that there is interest among the committee members in changing the current system.

Administration will update the Board as more information becomes available. With regard to road funding, there still is no change in the status of any bills. The House and Senate continue to work on a compromise between their respective bills. At this time, it is not possible to determine the outcome of any compromise. Both of the current plans could put pressure on the State's General Fund. This generates concern over the impact to the School Aid Fund since the Governor and the Legislature have transferred some higher education expenditures to the School Aid Fund to help balance the General Fund budget in the last few years.

The District's auditors have wrapped up their field work and we are now finishing preparations for the financial statements of the District. The Board Finance Committee will discuss the audit at their next committee meeting scheduled for Oct. 22nd. The completed audit will be presented to the full Board at the November 2, 2015 Board meeting.

Items from the Superintendent

New Administrators

Scott Lindberg, Executive Director of Human Resources, introduced Patti Woodruff; Highland Elementary School Principal, Brett Myers; Oak Valley Middle School Assistant Principal and Seth Taboh; Milford High School Assistant Principal.

Donna Welch, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services, introduced Geoffrey VanGoethem; Supervisor of Finance and Mike Hill; Facility Manager.

Association Comment: Mr. Scott Rolando, Lakeland High School teacher, reported on the excellent job that Huron Valley teachers do everyday.

Public Comment: No comment at this time.

Reports from Board Committees

Executive Committee

Ms. Cotter reported that the Executive Committee met on October 5th. They discussed:

- Board Retreat
- Strategic Planning
- Highland Property RFP

Technology Committee

Ms. Brown reported that the Technology Committee met on September 15th and September 29th. They discussed:

- Projects completed over the summer
- INSPIRE U
- Chromebooks Roll-out
- Vista Management System
- 2015-16 Goals

Consent Agenda

Approval of the August 17, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes (Mgt Issue) Exhibit "A-1"

Approval of Summary of Bills Paid (Mgt Issues) Exhibit "A-2"

Approval of Personnel Report (Mgt Issue) Exhibit "A-3"

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and supported by Ms. Brown that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

AYES: Ms. Walsh, Mr. Long, Ms. Brown, Ms. Lewis, Ms. Cotter

AYES: None

Motion Carried

Unfinished Business

Board Conferences

MASB Fall Conference

It was moved by Mr. Long and supported by Ms. Brown that the Board approve the costs for the three members attending the MASB Annual Leadership Conference in Traverse City, October 22-24, 2015.

AYES: Mr. Long, Ms. Brown, Ms. Lindsay

NAYS: Ms. Walsh, Ms. Lewis

Motion did not pass due to lack of majority votes.

NSBA Annual Conference

It was moved by Ms. Brown and supported by Mr. Long that three Board members should be authorized to attend and if a fourth is interested then the additional costs should be then divided by all four members attending. Amended: *Not to exceed \$6000; if it exceeds balance paid by the attendees.*

AYES: Ms. Brown, Mr. Long, Ms. Cotter

NAYS: Ms. Walsh, Ms. Lewis

Motion did not pass due to lack of majority votes.

New Business

Summer Capital Projects

Donna Welch, Assistant Superintendent Administrative Services, reported that every summer, construction and repair projects are completed from the building and site sinking funds, as well as some painting projects which are required to be paid from the general fund. Work completed this past summer included: doors and windows, ceilings, lighting, roofing, HVAC improvements, sidewalks, flooring, and cabinetry.

Proposed 2015-2016 District Goals

The Board and Superintendent honor a yearly calendar of goal development, performance period, evaluation and reporting. This provides the district with a continuity of purpose, clear accountability, and focus on systems of excellence. The proposed goals for 2015-2016 create systems of excellence that positively impact all areas of the district. The Goals will be on the next Board meeting agenda for approval.

Superintendent Focus Goals

- Implement the district wide Athletic Alignment plan which includes goals, outcomes and time lines.
- Complete, with the Department of Learning Services, the K-12 Instructional Alignment process and identify necessary components and time lines. This will include all Core Curriculums, Electives, Specials and Arts.
- Identify the next Strategic Plan process for the Huron Valley School District. The plan is to include time lines, components, facilitator(s) and processes.
- Research and identify, if appropriate/applicable, a 360 peer evaluation process which could be implemented (starting with the Superintendent of Schools).

Learning Services Goals

- Students will increase proficiency in reading state standards as measured by multiple metrics.
- Students will increase proficiency in writing state standards as measured by multiple metrics.
- Students will increase proficiency in math state standards as measured by multiple metrics.
- Systems and programming will be enhanced to improve student achievement.

Business/Financial Goal Summary

- Develop strategies to maximize and/or actively pursue revenue based on State funding/legislative initiatives and/or available grant opportunities and continue to seek partnerships and/or collaboration with various organizations.
- Identify General Fund budget strategies to reduce costs, maximize purchases, and/or maximize revenue, which also may include best practices related to energy management, procurement, etc.
- Identify Special Revenue (which includes capital projects, community services, debt service and food service) budget strategies to reduce costs, maximize purchases, and/or maximize revenue.

Technology Goals

- Integrate technology to enhance curriculum and transform instruction, empowering all students to have ownership of their learning and achieve their personal best.
- Maintain a quality professional learning environment that supports best practices, is relevant, evolving, timely and personalized that will assist the integration of technology to enrich learning.

Support the use and integration of technology throughout the district through timely technical support and community engagement.

Good and Welfare

Ms. Walsh commented on HVS teacher pay scale.

Mr. Long commented on HVS teacher pay and that he agreed with Ms. Walsh.

Ms. Lewis commented on HVS teacher pay.

Ms. Brown reported on the OVMS upcoming coming fund raiser at Sparkies sponsored by the PTA.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Beth Lewis
Secretary
HVS Board of Education