

The Huron Valley Schools Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Mr. Long at 7:28 PM on Monday, June 27, 2016, at Milford High School 2380 S Milford Rd, Highland, MI 48357.

Members Present: Ms. Cotter, Mr. Long, Ms. Lewis, Ms. Blackwell, Mr. Carlson, Ms. Walsh (by phone)

Members Absent: Ms. Brown

The Pledge of Allegiance

Information from the Board President

Mr. Long presented his structure for Board meetings in the 2016/17 school year. He will have one Committee Of The Whole and one Board meeting each month. They will both be taped, televised and streamed on our website. The individual Board Committees will be eliminated.

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and supported by Ms. Lewis to approve the Agenda with the removal of Exhibit A-1 and A-2.

Ayes: Ms. Blackwell, Mr. Long, Ms. Lewis, Mr. Carlson, Ms. Walsh, Ms. Cotter

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Recognitions

Denise Forrest and Matt Jenkins recognized seven of the Huron Valley Education Foundation (HVEF) Grant recipients. There were several recipients but the seven that were present were:

Kristin Powers, Brooks Elementary School

Nicole Fouty, Brooks Elementary School

Denise Martus, Brooks and Lakewood Elementary Schools

Dan Ignani, Lakeland High School

Christine Smith, White Lake Middle School

Paige Riley, District Psychologist

Gregory Michaels, District Athletic Director presented accomplishments of student and team athletes for the 2015/16 school year. He also talked about the new Athletic Department model.

Items from Board

Board Secretary

Ms. Cotter thanked the Board for allowing her to serve as the Board President.

Board Treasurer

School Aid Budget Update

The Fiscal Year 2016-17 School Aid Budget has been completed by the legislature and signed by the Governor. The foundation allowance increase is 1.6%. The pupil weighted count date uses the same formula as 2015/2016, which is 10% prior spring count and 90% current fall count. Huron Valley Schools foundation increase for FY 16-17 is \$120 per pupil, but this increase will be offset by fewer students in the District next year. As a reference, Universities and community colleges will receive \$235 per pupil. The FY 16-17 budget approved by the Board on June 13th uses the District's Fund Balance (or savings in the bank) to cover operational costs for the upcoming school year as anticipated expenditures will exceed anticipated revenue.

Governor signs DPS Rescue Plan

After more than a year of planning, negotiating, and discussing how to pay DPS's debt, the House, Senate and the Governor finally agreed on a rescue plan and the plan was signed into law. The plan gives \$617

million to Detroit Public Schools. Most of that money (\$476 million) will be to pay off the district's debt over approximately 9 years. An 'old DPS' district will exist only to pay the debt. A new "Community" district will be created to deliver education services to students. The new debt-free district will receive a \$150 million emergency loan from the state for "transition costs." The plan establishes a 6 member advisory council to make policy recommendations to the new DPS Board of Ed. It also eliminates the current DPS board and calls for the election of a new board. The money used to rescue DPS in the current year comes from the State's previous years Tobacco Settlements. The Legislature will need to approve the use of the state's tobacco settlement money on an annual basis to ensure this plan is paid for without greater impact to the remaining state pupils.

Items from the Superintendent

Mr. Baker thanked all the Board Members for time served and congratulated the new Board Officers.

Association Comment

Denise Forrest thanked the Board for moving all district employees from the Hard Cap to 80/20 under PA 152.

Mary Phipps, Bus Attendant, thanked the board for their hard work and for moving to 80/20 under PA 152. She also mentioned the need for new buses.

Public Comment

Rick Hamill-Thanked the Board for allowing them to use the HMS property for Red, White and Blue Festival.

Reports from Board Committees

Finance & Auxiliary Committee – Mr. Long reported

[Consent Agenda Items](#) - Discussed 1) Corporate Sponsorship levels, 2) Electronic ACH Transaction Vendors, 3) Summary Property Tax Collection, 4) Purchase from Cooperative Bids, 5) Transportation Fuel Bids, 6) Milk Bid, 7) Classroom & Office Supply Bids, 8) 4th Qtr. Adjustments. See below regarding summary comments regarding these agenda items. [Note: Corporate Sponsorship levels are noted in Kim Root section.]

[Budget Discussion](#) - The committee discussed the 4th qtr. adjustments impacting the general, grants, athletic, food service and community & recreation funds.

[Pre-Audit Communication](#) – Discussed with the committee see note below on required communication for Bd. to read.

[Board Policies 3000 Series](#) - The committee did not receive any comments for changes to the edited and reviewed 3000 series. The committee suggests that if there are additional questions regarding the policies that the policies be brought to a future committee meeting for thoughtful discussion. Please refer to 6/3/16 Bd. Notes to review proposed changes to policies.

[2016-17 Goals](#) - The committee briefly discussed goals for next year and concluded that goals will be discussed at a future committee meeting.

[Annual Organizational Meeting](#) – The committee discussed the requirement that certain entities be designated by the Board for the District to use during the school year. (Law firms, Auditors, Banks, Insurance Co.s', Newspapers, etc.). Other – Discussed process for COAT contract approval.

Academics, Athletics & Arts Committee – Mr. Carlson reported on

AAA Goals were discussed and the goals would be considered effective. The Department of Learning Services will be adding two additional columns to the goals document: conclusions determined from the data and action steps. Another AAA committee meeting will be scheduled during the summer to discuss this additional information.

Student Learning Objectives (SLOs) will be introduced to staff during the 2016/17 school year which will help support District goals.

What does a successful student look like who graduates from HVS was also discussed.

Board policies (6000s) were reviewed. The recommendations will be emailed out to the entire Board next week. The first reading of the Board policies will be in July.

Technology Committee – Ms. Brown reported

The committee last met in May.

Executive Committee – Ms. Cotter reported

Nothing to report at this time.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and supported by Ms. Lewis to approve Exhibits A-3 through A-14.

Ayes: Mrs. Carlson, Ms. Walsh, Ms. Blackwell, Mr. Long, Ms. Lewis, Ms. Cotter

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Unfinished Business

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and supported by Ms. Blackwell to table Exhibit A-1 and approve Exhibit A-2.

Ayes: Ms. Lewis, Ms. Carlson, Ms. Walsh, Ms. Blackwell, Mr. Long, Ms. Cotter

Nays: None

Motion Carried

New Business

- Mr. Long reported that the Superintendent met 92% of Goals and received his remaining compensation accordingly.
- Mr. Carlson had several amendments that he would like to discuss regarding the General Fund Budget. The Board agreed to table budget discussions until the July Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Mr. Carlson will send his recommendations to the full Board.

The Superintendent would like to do a line by line look at the budget.

- Ms. Lewis attended the Red, White and Blue Festival and said it was wonderful. She then read the following resolution:

**HURON VALLEY SCHOOL BOARD RESOLUTION
Highland Middle School Property
June 27, 2016**

WHEREAS, The Huron Valley School District is an incredible district in west Oakland County that comprises of residents that live in White Lake Township, Milford Township, Village of Milford, portions of Commerce Township and Highland Township. This school district covers over 108

square miles. The school district is the largest employer in the district and employs over 1200 employees.

WHEREAS, The Huron Valley School District prior to 2008 operated eleven elementary buildings, four middle schools, two high schools and one alternative high school. However, a national economic downturn and significant revenue shortages caused the Huron Valley School Board to take make some difficult financial decisions in 2008, 2010, and 2011. In total two elementary buildings and one middle school were operationally closed in an effort to fulfill the Board of Education’s fiduciary responsibilities to balance the school budget.

WHEREAS, The Huron Valley School Board believes that despite these decisions being aligned with our strategic objective to “proactively pursue a financially secure district”, these decisions nonetheless have created tension and friction in the Highland Township community as it relates to the property of the former Highland Middle School.

WHEREAS, The Huron Valley School Board believes that in order for this district to be successful in achieving our mission of “Inspiring and building futures one student at a time” it is important for the Huron Valley School Board and District to acknowledge this fracture in the relationship and make attempts to repair this important relationship with Highland community and families.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education is requesting that the Superintendent, or designee, take steps to exclusively engage Highland Township governmental unit and request a formal offer on the Highland Middle School property. It is expected that an offer will be made to the school board for review and approval by October 1, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Any offer by Highland Township governmental unit include covenants or assurances that the property in question be transferred will not be commercially or industrially zoned. These covenants and assurances are in regards of our responsibility to protect the interest of our Highland Elementary students.

- It was moved by Ms. Cotter and supported by Mr. Carlson to approve Board Policy 8000 series as presented.

Ayes: Ms. Lewis, Mr. Long, Ms. Walsh, Mr. Carlson, Ms. Blackwell, Ms. Cotter

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Good and Welfare

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Cotter
Secretary
HVS Board of Education