

The Huron Valley Schools Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Ms. Cotter at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 07, 2016, at Milford High School, 2380 S. Milford Rd, Highland, MI 48357.

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

Members Absent: Ms. Blackwell

### **The Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Information from the Board President**

Ms. Cotter talked about the water collection that took place in Huron Valley Schools. It began with the Muir Colts then several other buildings jumped in to help collect water. Over 10, 000 bottles and gallon jugs of water have been collected.

On March 29, volunteers will transport the water to Burton, Michigan. There are 75 households hooked up to the Flint water system but they do not qualify for bottled water.

### **Approval of Agenda**

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and supported by Mr. Long that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

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

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

### **Recognitions**

The Board recognized two staff members from Oak Valley Middle School. Brett Myers, Assistant Principal and Dean Legato, Working Leader, performed the Heimlich maneuver on a student that was choking in the cafeteria. Mrs. Butler, Principal at Oak Valley Middle School, recognized them for saving the students life.

### **Items from Board**

#### **Board Secretary**

No items at this time.

#### **Board Treasurer**

Governor Snyder's budget, as presented on February 10<sup>th</sup>, is now being reviewed by the House and Senate Fiscal Agency Committees. Briefly, the Governors proposed budget calls for an increase in the foundation allowance for Huron Valley Schools of 1.6%. However, that increase will be offset by rising expenditures and the lower number of pupils anticipated within the district next year. The Governor's budget proposal is one step in the process of developing the Huron Valley Schools budget for next year. The next step will be to:

1. Obtain the House and Senate version of their proposed budgets which are anticipated
2. Obtain the results of the May 2016 Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference, as well as
3. Determine local budget impact, such as class offerings, health care changes, etc.

Both the House and Senate Appropriations subcommittee continue to discuss the K-12 budget. The meetings are focusing on various programs and changes currently included in the Governor's proposed budget.

The House Appropriations Committee took more testimony last week on the House Republican plan (House Bills 5382-81) to deal with the Detroit Public School financial crisis the Senate did not take action on its version of the DPS bills.

**On a final note**

This past week, our legislators spent time preparing for an/or being a part of the Republican debate held on Thursday, March 3, 2016 in Detroit as well as the Democratic debate held on Sunday, March 6, 2016 in Flint.

**Superintendent Items**

Mr. Baker talked about the many wonderful performing arts programs and events that take place in the spring each year. You can check the District Calendar at the bottom of the website to see all of the great things happening in the buildings.

**Association Comment**

Ms. Forrest talked about the Wellness Program that is going on in the district. This is collaboration between Recreation and Community Education and the HVEA. Various Lunch and Learn programs are planned throughout the district as well as a walking challenge that began on March 1 and runs through May 23.

**Public Comment**

None at this time.

**Reports from Board Committees**

**Finance & Auxiliary Committee – Mr. Long reported**

There was a meeting on March 2 and the items discussed are on the Consent Agenda this evening. Those items are the Budget Amendments and the Pool Pack. Their next meeting is March 17, 2016.

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

On February 18, a re-admittance hearing was held. At the March 1, meeting a presentation was done by some of our elementary music teachers; Greg Michaels talked about athletics; and the expulsion process was discussed.

The next meeting will be April 13 at 8:30 AM at Oak Valley Middle School

**Technology Committee – Ms. Brown reported**

Nothing to report at this time. The next meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2016.

**Executive Committee – Ms. Cotter reported**

The Legislative Advocacy meeting in Washington D.C. is being finalized with possible dates of June 12-14. Rebecca Walsh has attended the last two years and would attend this year. Other topics discussed are Jim's meeting with members of the HV Equestrian group; IA West; Milford High School Sign (options are limited); Superintendent's contract and having Bill Albertson from Lusk & Albertson continue preparing the contract.

**Consent Agenda**

It was moved by Mr. Long and Supported by Ms. Brown that Exhibits "A-1 through A-5" of the Consent Agenda, be approved.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**New Business**

**Human Resources**

HR Data Points were presented by Scott Lindberg, Executive Director of Human Resources. This is a two year look incoming and outgoing staff. He explained that an Exit Survey is sent to employees that leave the district and things that have been put in place in response to some of the things mentioned on the surveys.

**Good and Welfare**

Ms. Brown and Mr. Long reminded everyone about Cookies from the Valley.

Mr. Carlson congratulated Milford High School on their win over Lakeland at a recent basketball game; stating it was a great game.

Mr. Long commented on the HOT Robotics competition. He said it was a great event and that teams from all over the nation competed at the same time. Huron Valley Schools had two of the highest ranked teams in the nation.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Lewis  
Secretary  
HVS Board of Education