

The Huron Valley Schools Regular Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Ms. Cotter at 7:02 PM on Monday, January 11, 2016, at Milford High School, 2380 S. Milford Rd, Highland, MI 48357.

Members Present: Ms. Cotter, Ms. Brown, Ms. Blackwell, Rebecca Walsh, Sean Carlson, Jeff Long

Members Absent: Ms. Lewis

The Pledge of Allegiance

Information from the Board President

Approval of Agenda

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

AYES: Mr. Carlson, Ms. Blackwell, Ms. Brown, Ms. Walsh, Mr. Long, Ms. Cotter

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

Items from Board

Board Secretary

No items at this time.

Board Treasurer

1. Mr. Long reminded everyone that Ms. Brown will once again be organizing "Cookies from the Valley". Anyone that has a family member in the military may send their family members name and address to Ms. Brown so they can be included in receiving Girl Scout cookies from Huron Valley.
2. On Wednesday afternoon, Governor Snyder signed Senate Bill 571 sponsored by Senator Mike Kowall. The new Public Act 269 states the following:
 - Except for an election official in the performance of his or her duties under the Michigan election law, 1954 PA 116, MCL 168.1 to 168.992, a public body, or a person acting for a public body, shall not, during the period 60 days before an election in which a local ballot question appears on a ballot, use public funds or resources for a communication by means of radio, television, mass mailing, or prerecorded telephone message if that communication references a local ballot question and is targeted to the relevant electorate where the local ballot question appears on the ballot.
 - A person who knowingly violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable, if the person is an individual, by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or both, or if the person is not an individual, by 1 of the following, whichever is greater:
 - A fine of not more than \$20,000.00.
 - A fine equal to the amount of the improper contribution or expenditure.

The language was added minutes before the House voted on the bill on the final day of last year's session. A number of legislators have acknowledged they didn't have time to read the text and were not notified it had been added. Some had even gone so far as to ask the Governor to veto the bill and send it back for more work and a thorough review.

In a signing statement, the Governor acknowledged what he called "confusion" over the language. He claims to have an agreement with legislative leadership to pass a "fix" bill early this year.

Board Members

No items at this time.

Superintendent Items

No items at this time.

Association Comment

Hattie Peraino, HVEA, commented on mentoring of new teachers in the first three years of teaching.

Public Comment

None at this time.

Reports from Board Committees

Finance & Auxiliary Committee

Nothing to report at this time. The next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2016.

Executive Committee

Ms. Cotter reported that the Executive Committee met on January 4, 2016 and discussed:

- Committee of the Whole Agenda Items for 1/25/16
- Highland Middle School Property Conceptual Proposals
- Superintendent Contract
- Board Policy 8105 updates

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the December 7, 2015 Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes (Mgt Issue) Exhibit "A-1"
- B. Approval of Summary of Bills Paid (Mgt Issue) Exhibit "A-2"
- C. Approval of Personnel Report (Mgt Issue) Exhibit "A-3"

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and supported by Jeff Long that the Board of Education approve Exhibits A-1 through A-3.

Ayes: Ms. Walsh, Ms. Blackwell, Mr. Carlson, Mr. Long, Ms. Brown and Ms. Cotter

Nays: None

Motion Carried

New Business

Closed Session – Superintendent’s Evaluation

It was moved by Mr. Carlson and supported by Mr. Long that the Board of Education meeting go to closed session for negotiations.

AYES: Mr. Long, Mr. Carlson, Ms. Blackwell, Ms. Brown, Ms. Walsh and Ms. Cotter

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

The meeting went to Closed Session at 7:55 PM

Adjournment

The meeting returned to Open Session at 8:32 PM and was adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Lewis
Secretary
HVS Board of Education