

**HARBOR SPRINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 3, 2007**

President Fuhrman called the rescheduled regular board meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Middle School Large Group Instruction Room.

Members Present: Fuhrman, Fischer, Davis, Wendland, McDonald, Burdick and Morse (7)
Members Absent: (0)

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Wendland to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Larson discussed the following items:

- Kiwanis Blood Drive on November 9, 2007
- Thanked the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation for the following grants:
 - Maureen Nicholson presented Harbor Springs Public Schools with a grant in the amount of \$10,000 for CASA
- Dr. Larson noted the following grants received:
 - \$3,000 from the Gijigowi Fund in the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation for the Odawa Language class
 - \$1,000 from the Christ Child Society for the financial needs of specific students
 - \$5,000 from Larry and Nancy Beck toward the services provided by CASA
 - \$1,000 matching grant over three years from Dave and Anne Irish toward the services provided by CASA
 - \$2,000 matching grant from the Baiardi Family Foundation for this year's musical *Grease*
- Blackbird holiday concert is scheduled this week and Shay's is next week in the Performing Arts Center
- Thanked the staff and volunteers for the Blackbird Craft Night on November 29th
- Thanked Dan Warner and Ed Shepherd on a great job on the school bus inspection
- Jan McDonald noted the grants allocated to us by the Harbor Springs Education Foundation
- AmeriCorps member Amelia Nicholson gave a presentation on her work
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General Announcements:

Fischer noted that Blackbird Craft night was fun and thanked the volunteers for helping.

High school principal Jacobs reported:

- Distributed an article on the ACT and how students need to be able to read
- Informed about the AYP grade HSHS received due to a non-resident and homebound student being counted
- Mark Dunn demonstrated the AED to staff and had them practice a drill
- Second trimester starts December 4, 2008

Middle school principal Cwikiel reported:

- Thanked Brad Moffat for a great job at the choir concert
- Lockdown drill at the Middle School and Shay Elementary last week went well
- School improvement team consisting of a few teachers and Wil

Blackbird and Shay Elementary principal Scholten was absent.

President Fuhrman asked at this time if there would be any public input.

Joan Fenton spoke on behalf of CASA, thanked the Board for all their support.

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Wendland to approve the board minutes from the regular meeting on November 12, 2007; special board meeting on November 15, 2007; special board meeting on November 26, 2007 work session. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by Wendland to approve the payment of invoices as follows:

- General Fund in the amount of \$472,150.66
- Community Schools Fund in the amount of \$10,394.48
- Athletic Fund in the amount of \$3,709.10
- Lunch Fund in the amount of \$27,018.27
- Building & Site Fund in the amount of \$17,973.39

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by McDonald, seconded by Burdick to approve the recommended semi-annual NEOLA policy updates as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Fuhrman noted that the interim superintendent will work three to four days per week; compensation will be \$450 per day, mileage, and when there is inclement weather or a board meeting night the superintendent may stay overnight and we will cover the cost for accommodations.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by Wendland to approve the interim superintendents as follows:

- Patrick Bootz from January 2 – March 11, 2008 and
- Kent Reynolds from March 11 – June 30, 2008

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by McDonald to approve the Michigan Leadership Institute (MLI) as the facilitator for the superintendent search. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Larson noted that the HSEA contract includes a 2% raise with steps, number of school calendar of days same as last year; insurance task force meetings would be two in the spring and two in the fall.

A motion was made by Burdick, seconded by Wendland to approve a one-year rollover of the HSEA contract for the 2008-09 school year.

- Ayes: Wendland, Morse, McDonald, Burdick and Fuhrman (5)
- Abstained: Davis and Fischer (2)

Motion carried.

A motion was made by McDonald, seconded by Burdick to approve a one-year rollover of the HSESPA contract for the 2008-09 school year.

- Ayes: Fuhrman, Wendland, McDonald, Burdick, Morse and Davis (6)
- Abstained: Fischer (1)

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Wendland, seconded by Morse to adopt the resolution to appoint the board president and treasurer as the check signer for payroll beginning January 1, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

Early Intervention Support Initiative:

- Susan Jacobs presented and informed the board on the Special Education Early Intervention Support Initiative
- Wil Cwikiel presented and informed the board on the Student First Initiative that has been adopted at the Middle School. Reading program called *Rewards* will be offered to the struggling high school students for the second trimester. Middle school students are currently using this rewards program.

Communications Committee Update

- No meeting

Steering Committee Update

- McDonald noted that the Steering Committee has not had a meeting. The next scheduled meeting is next week.

Facilities Committee Update

- Fischer noted that the Facilities Committee met with the architect and talked about the weight room and air handlers, the dry-a-tron in the pool and the Blackbird roof. He commented on getting bids to add the two rooms on to Blackbird and if the bids come in at the right price, borrow from General Fund savings.

Technology Committee Update

- No meeting

President Fuhrman asked at this time if there would be any public input. No one responded.

A motion was made by Morse and seconded by Fischer to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Wendland
Secretary