

**HARBOR SPRINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
March 14, 2011**

President Fuhrman called the rescheduled regular board meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Band Room at Harbor Springs High School at 500 Spring Street, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

Members Present: Bezilla, Fuhrman, Novak, Morse, Davis and Cupps (6)  
Members Absent: Lauer (1)

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

**School Board Report**

President Fuhrman noted the following:

- Char-Em Boards' Association Meeting, March 23, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Boyne City Public Schools
- Recognition dinner honoring our Career Tech students at Boyne Mountain on April 26, 2011
- Dates for Board Retreat

**Superintendent Report**

Superintendent Tompkins reported:

- Recognized Drake Doherty – Division II Slalom State Champion
- Girls' Basketball District champs
- Boys' Basketball playing in Traverse City West
- Band Festivals went well
- Riley Ford, who graduated from Harbor, will be the speaker at Yale's commencement

**Finance Committee Report**

Davis noted that the Finance Committee discussed the following:

- Football coach interviews
- Budget review

**Facilities Committee Report**

Cupps noted that the Facilities Committee discussed the following:

- Update from Jim LeJeune on the mold issue at the middle school; a company was hired to investigate and no mold was found
- Superintendent Tompkins handed out a final punch list for the music wing
- Open house for the renovated music wing planned for March 14, 2011 from 5:00–6:00 p.m.
- Superintendent Tompkins approved overnight trip for the Middle School Math Counts team to go to states on Friday, March 11, 2011
- Discussed personnel matters
- Superintendent Tompkins presented the budget update
- Shay Roof is in need of repair; would like to have the work done during spring break

**Communications Committee Report**

Novak noted that the Communications Committee discussed the following:

- NEOLA policies
- Superintendent's evaluation; present a vote of confidence at the March meeting and full evaluation by the end of June
- Budget and personnel review

**Admin Presentation – Technology “What we need for the Future”**

Presented by Chris Nelson and Fred Trimble

- Introduced Max Jock and Charlie Dryer, students in the Tech Program Internship
- District technology goals, where we are, where we have been, and where we would like to be
- Current Technology

- Building needs

**General Announcements**

Cupps noted that the HSPS Boys Basketball team lost their last district game.

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

*Jennifer Wixson* thanked everyone for being a very approachable school board; working with the budget teachers and programs are essential to making our district extraordinary.

*Kate Bassett* commented that the High School Musical was wonderful and Charlie Dryer did a great job.

*Max Jock*, high school student, commented on the technology in our schools.

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Novak, to approve the consent agenda items as follows:

- General Fund invoices in the amount of \$476,783.54; Community Schools Fund invoices in the amount of \$14,159.94; Lunch Fund invoices in the amount of 25,388.41; Building & Site Fund invoices in the amount of \$150,780.59.
- Regular Meeting – February 14, 2011.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Davis, seconded by Bezilla, to approve the overnight trip for the Anishinaabemowin language class to Sault Ste. Marie on March 23-27, 2011 and the Fifth Grade Lansing overnight trip for May 18-19, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Novak, seconded by Morse, to approve the following spring coaches and overnight athletic trips as recommended by athletic director Iafolia as follows:

Baseball	Mark Grosvenor
J.V. Baseball	Bill Montgomery
Baseball Assistant	Josh Brey
Boys’ Golf	Brian O’Neill
Golf Assistant	Joe Breighner (unpaid)
Track and Field	Mike and Emily Kloss
	Fred Troup (unpaid)
Girls’ Tennis	Laura Chamberlin
Girls’ Soccer	Ed Fantozzi
Middle School Track	Peg Schiller
	Chad Broughman

**Overnight Trips**

<b>Team</b>	<b>Overnight</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event Name and Date</b>	<b>Likelihood</b>
Track	June 3	Grand Rapids	State Finals, June 4	Possible

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Cupps, to hire Del Walden as the Head Football Coach for the 2011-12 season. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Cupps, seconded by Morse, to award the Shay Elementary Area A roofing repair bid to Springfield Roofing in the amount of \$54,698. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Davis, seconded by Bezilla, to adopt the resolution for the 2010-11 Michigan Education Association “Outstanding Person in Education” (OPIE) award recipient Jodi Bower. Motion carried unanimously.

President Fuhrman stated that the Board worked with Dr. John Jeffrey on the new superintendent evaluation process and timelines. The Board will do a full superintendent evaluation at the June or July retreat.

On behalf of the Board, secretary Bezilla read the following statement:

*“The Board of Education for Harbor Springs Public Schools announces that we are proud to offer a “Vote of Confidence” to Mark Tompkins, superintendent of Harbor Springs Public Schools, and that we will re-new his contract on June 30, 2011. Some areas of strength that the Board identified are that he has provided solid leadership with our vision as well as steering us through difficult financial times. The transfer of NEOLA policy updates to a committee was a good move to make these changes in a more timely matter. Mark deals with difficult situations well and maintains his composure. He knows the strengths of the administrative team and uses creative techniques to solve problems. He is making great strides to becoming a more effective communicator. We look forward to continuing our work on the many projects like implementing the new vision – be extraordinary. We also look forward to Mark and our team continuing to obtain necessary information, including perspective and input, before making decisions that affect the district.”*

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Bezilla, to approve the renewal of Superintendent Mark Tompkins’ contract on June 30, 2011.

Ayes: Davis, Bezilla, Cupps, Novak, Morse and Fuhrman (6)

Nays: (0)

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Information and Proposals**

- Superintendent Tompkins reviewed the budget shortfall for the coming school year. He asked the Board’s input on how to proceed as to using fund balance to offset the cuts necessary for the coming school years. He feels we should proceed slowly and use \$1,000,000 of fund balance. We need community input.
- Harbor Springs Education Foundation granted the Fifth Grade Trip to Lansing \$450 for Scholarships and \$550 for Impressions 5 Museum.

A motion was made by Cupps, seconded by Bezilla, to approve the use of the grant funds for the fifth grade trips. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Bezilla, to approve the overnight trip for the Math Counts state competition. Motion carried unanimously.

- NEOLA Policies Update – Health – Second Reading
- NEOLA Policies Update – Policy 7230 – Gifts, Grants and Bequests – First Reading

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

A motion was made by Davis, seconded by Morse, to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

Shauna Bezilla,  
Secretary