

**HARBOR SPRINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
February 9, 2009**

President Fuhrman called the rescheduled regular board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom, LTBB Tribal Headquarters at 7845 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

Members Present:           Davis, Burdick, Fuhrman, McDonald, Morse and Fischer (6)  
Members Absent:           (0)

Superintendent Tompkins thanked the LTBB for hosting us.

A motion was made McDonald by seconded by Morse, to approve the agenda as amended. Adding XI. B. Naming Reynolds Field and XII. C. Appointment of Board of Education Secretary. Remove XII. C. under Information. Motion carried unanimously.

Principal Susan Jacobs introduced and congratulated Melissa Cannon for her honorable mention in the national Tech & Learning's Portraits of Learning photography contest.

Band director Pat Ruddy introduced Christopher Mathews who was chosen to participate in the All-State Band Program.

President Fuhrman thanked Laurie Wendland for her 6 years of dedicated service to Harbor Springs Public Schools. President Fuhrman presented her with a plaque and Superintendent Tompkins presented her with an athletic gold pass.

Cheryl Halfacer informed the board on the Title VII – Indian Education Program and the Odawa Language Class offered at Harbor Springs High School. Frank Ettawageshik and Melissa Claramunt thanked the board for their collaboration between the tribe and the school.

Superintendent Tompkins reported on the following items:

- Michigan School Principals Week - Maresi will take order for personalized stationary
- Retirement of Jan Voelker effective March 1, 2009
- Congratulated Mike Davies on the article in the Petoskey News Review featuring him as student athlete at Petoskey High School.
- We will no longer collect book deposit fees in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Parents will be invoiced for damaged books and refunds will be issued for deposits already made. Eighth grade parents will have the option to apply the money toward their child's Chicago trip or get refunded.

General Announcements:

- Fischer thanked Mr. Ettawageshik for the use of the building. Thanked Ruthie Flynn for putting together the Shay talent show. Young Americans will be here on June 14, 2009.
- Morse reminded everyone that the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast is Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
- Burdick commented that the Girls' Basketball Chicken Dinner was a hit. John Ruemenapp did a fabulous job.

Shay/Blackbird Elementary principal Scholten reported:

- Shay talent show was a big hit
- Mrs. Flynn hosted the annual County Spelling Bee – Lee Anderson, winner
- Students raised \$581.65 for the Erxleben family
- Parent teacher conferences this week - Tuesday, February 10-12, 2009
- Linda Kehm will be here on February 20<sup>th</sup> to help staff with reading changes
- Karey will be participating in a school leadership study this Thursday and Friday, February 13-14
- Thom Blanck is working with the 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers on a mystery for the kids

Middle School principal Cwikel reported:

- Martin Luther King and Diversity Day were a huge success!
- All middle school students watched the inauguration
- Swimming class is working well
- Parent teacher conferences are Tuesday and Wednesday this week
- Eighth Grade Mexican Dinner, Chicago Trip Fundraiser – Saturday, March 14, 5:00-8:00 pm, M. S. Cafeteria

High School principal Jacobs reported:

- Looking at having two hours for the Odawa Language Class
- High school students Cash Loder, Kyle Campman, and Jenny Gage participated in the Phantom Toll Booth, a play presented by Little Traverse Civic Theatre
- High school instructors will all be participating in an LSCI tune-up session with Nancy Koehler and Jim Marquoit
- CASA Coffee - Wednesday, February 11, 2009 at 8:30 at The Pier Restaurant; topic: “Tapping into Your Parenting Power”
- No school – Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup>
- High school scheduling for 2009-10 begins this month

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

**Finance Committee report:**

Fischer noted that the purchase of 30 sets of snowshoes was approved.

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

- General Fund invoices in the amount of \$384,704.20; Community Schools Fund invoices in the amount of \$15,145.49; Athletic Fund invoices in the amount of \$8,760.46; Lunch Fund invoices in the amount of \$19,183.93; Building & Site Fund invoices in the amount of \$72,485.33.
- Rescheduled Regular Meeting - January 12, 2009; Special Meeting Work Session-Executive Session Minutes - January 26, 2009; Special Meeting Work Session - January 26, 2009.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by McDonald, seconded by Burdick, to approve the changes for policy 6610-Student Activity Fund and administrative guidelines 6610B-Procedures for Inactive Activity Accounts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Fischer, to approve the naming of the Hoover Property to Thomas A. Reynolds Jr. Field.

Ayes: Davis, Burdick, Fuhrman, McDonald, Morse and Fischer (6)

Nays: (0)

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Morse, seconded by Burdick, to accept Laurie Wendland’s resignation from the Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by Burdick, to approve the resolution calling the annual school election on May 5, 2009 and authorizing the millage proposition. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by Morse, to appoint Tim Davis as the secretary of the Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

**Information and Proposals**

Superintendent Tompkins reviewed the following:

- NEOLA Policy Update – First reading on calendar, immunization, revised language for criminal records check for professional and support staff. Superintendent Tompkins recommended that we strengthen the language that does not allow a board member to coach at the high school level.
- Schools of Choice policy – continue limited schools of choice plan; the only out-of-district students accepted for the 2009-10 school year will be siblings of students already attending HSPS.

**Facilities Committee Report**

Fischer noted he had nothing to report.

Superintendent Tompkins informed the board that Scott Cochran is working on a football cooperative with Harbor Light Christian School.

**Planning Committee Report**

Burdick reported they had their last Planning Committee meeting and the committee is now merging with the Steering Committee. The new Michigan Assessment was discussed. The first Steering Committee meeting will be held in February.

Board candidates will be interviewed at a special meeting on Monday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m.

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

*Kasha Schlappi* commented on maintaining the driveway at Thomas Reynolds Field and regarding out-of-district students.

A motion was made by Davis, seconded by Morse, to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:43 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectively submitted,

Robert Fuhrman  
President