

**Minutes of the Oscoda Area Schools Board of Education
Regular Meeting Monday, February 10, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Oscoda Area Schools, Iosco and Alcona Counties, Michigan, Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 10, 2014 by President Tony Johnson. The meeting was held in the Board of Education Meeting Room located in Oscoda Area High School, 3550 East River Road, Oscoda, Michigan 48750. President Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Mark A. Parent read the district's Vision, Mission, and Belief statements.

Members Present: Parent, Barnhart, Johnson, Kahila, Ellis (arrived at 7:10 p.m.)

Members Absent: Peters, Davis

Richardson Elementary School Principal Eric Allshouse updated the Board of Education the Reading Intervention Program at Richardson Elementary School. He reported that the intervention program was completely revamped three years ago. Since that time students have made amazing progress. NWEA reading assessment results indicate that school has gone from 17% of its students being at or above average to 50%. The school has just completed its winter cycle for NWEA testing. All students below 30% are given a dibbles reading test. This test measures reading speed and fluency. If the student measures at-risk on that test, an intervention team comes up with a data driven plan for the student. If students are not progressing, their plan is adjusted. Students identified as at-risk in the fall have shown a 95% success rate. Last year around 85% of student met or exceed their target growth. The Richardson Elementary School Improvement Team is reevaluating the program. Richardson Elementary plans to hold a summer school program this year. Teachers will identify students in need before opening it up to the rest of the student body. The program will run for 12 days and some sort of transportation will be provided. Mr. Allshouse reported that an after school Code Club is being held for student in grades 3 through 6 on Wednesdays beginning February 19th. Students will learn how to create their own applications and games. Mrs. Dettmer and Mr. Manick will be Club advisors.

RES Teacher and OEA President Kathleen Erickson informed the Board that she plans to make a monthly report on some of the exciting things the teachers are doing. She reported that RES Health and PE teacher Morgan Potts started a Fuel Up to Play 60 Program. This Program is sponsored the National Dairy Counsel and the National Football League and is open to students in 5th and 6th grade. The program encourages students to participate in 60 minutes of activity a day. Ms. Potts comes up with challenges for the students, and has competitions on Fridays. RES Art teacher Jamie Merdzinski is working on a souper bowl supper project in conjunction with the Oscoda Lions Club. Students in grade K through 6 are making soup bowls, which will be sold during the soup supper at the High School on February 28th. Proceeds from the project will be used to help feed the hungry.

Motion: by Barnhart, supported by Kahila, that Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda Items which include: the approval of the Agenda for the February 10, 2014 Regular Meeting; the tentative minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Monday, January 13, 2014; the tentative minutes of the Special Meeting held on Wednesday, January 29, 2014; the tentative minutes of the Sinking Fund Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, January 15, 2014; the tentative minutes of the Sinking Fund Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, February 5, 2014; and the payment of the General Fund checks #74967 through #75193, except for voided check 75083, totaling \$264,615.38 as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Yeas: Ellis, Parent, Barnhart, Johnson, Kahila
Nays: None
Absent: Peters, Davis
Abstained: None
Motion declared adopted with a 5 – 0 vote.

Motion: by Parent, supported by Ellis, that Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Petition Review Committee and deny enrollment of Student #1314-001 in the Oscoda Area Schools.

Yeas: Parent, Barnhart, Johnson, Kahila, Ellis
Nays: Peters, Davis
Absent: None
Abstained: None
Motion declared adopted with a 5 – 0 vote.

Motion: by Kahila, supported by Barnhart, that Board of Education adopt Policy #5200 – Attendance, as recommended by the Policy Committee.

Secretary Parent and Trustee Ellis objected to taking credit away from students based on attendance. President Johnson explained that there will be an appeals process in place. Trustee Ellis suggested that a formalized appeals process be written into the policy so that it is not arbitrary. Superintendent Moore asked the Board to approve the proposed attendance policy. The Policy Committee will look at the policy at its next meeting and work on incorporating an appeals process into it. The High School Administrator will report to the Board on how many students loose credit as a result of the new policy at the end of the school year.

Yeas: Barnhart, Johnson, Kahila, Ellis
 Nays: Parent
 Absent: Peters, Davis
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 4 – 1 vote.

Motion: by Ellis, supported by Kahila, that Board of Education accept the periodic personnel evaluation of Scott M. Moore, Superintendent of Schools, as presented and as recommended by the Board’s Superintendent Evaluation Committee of the Whole.

Based on the ratings of the Board of Education members, it has been determined that the Oscoda Area Schools Board of Education has given Superintendent Scott M. Moore an overall score of highly effective.

Yeas: Barnhart, Johnson, Kahila, Ellis, Parent
 Nays: None
 Absent: Davis, Peters
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 5 – 0 vote.

Motion: by Barnhart, supported by Parent, that Board of Education approve a five (5) year agreement with Stephenson, Gracik & Co., P.C. for auditing services from 2014 through 2018, as recommended by the Finance Director and the Superintendent of Schools.

Yeas: Johnson, Kahila, Ellis, Parent, Barnhart
 Nays: None
 Absent: Davis, Peters
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 5 – 0 vote.

Motion: by Ellis, supported by Kahila, that Board of Education approve up to 2 Board Members to attend the MASB/MASA Legislative Conference on March 13, 2014 and to pay for the applicable expenses as provided for in Board Policy.

Yeas: Kahila, Ellis, Parent, Barnhart, Johnson
 Nays: None
 Absent: Davis, Peters
 Abstained: None
 Motion declared adopted with a 5 – 0 vote.

President Tony Johnson reported that the Sinking Fund Committee met on February 5, 2014 and interviewed three architect/engineering firms. The Committee determined that a construction manager is not needed at the present time. The Committee authorized the Superintendent and the Finance Director to enter into negotiations with WTM Architects to work with the district on sinking fund projects.

The Board of Education formally acknowledged the voluntary resignation/early notification plan submitted by teachers Julia Gracik and Christopher Lovelace.

The Board of Education acknowledged the hiring of bus driver Ronald Fryer.

The Board of Education acknowledged the resignation of part-time paraprofessional Sarah Sauber, and Girls Track Coach Christopher Manick.

Superintendent Moore stated that and RFP for banking services will go out on February 12, 2014. The RFP's are due on April 11, 2014.

Trustee Parent thanked Finance Director Sean Pear for getting Wilbur to lower its per parcel fee for summer tax collection.

Superintendent Moore stated that hand-in-hand awards will be given out at the April 14, 2014 Board meeting. The deadline for staff to make nominations is March 3, 2014.

The Board of Education acknowledged the updated list of volunteers and the updated fundraising calendar.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.