

SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Minutes

Middle School Library

September 19, 2011

7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Rochholz at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marshall, Fox, Rochholz, Fetzer, Mastenbrook, DeVoe and Krum

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Stitt, Ryskamp, Vail, Stull and Kolassa

ADMINISTRATORS ABSENT: none

VISITORS: Gail Secord, Mollie and Madeline Hartlieb, Jacob Marshall, Brandon Vukelich, Grant Bradley, John Mullens, Tara Dalga, Brian Kosmerick, Kit DeJong, Rob Olsen, and Stan Hoekstra

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the August 15th regular meeting, August 15th closed meeting, August 20th special meeting, and September 8th special meeting were presented for approval.

A motion was made by Fox and supported by Mastenbrook to approve the minutes from the August 15th regular meeting, August 15th closed meeting, August 20th special meeting, and September 8th special meeting.

Motion Carried 7-0-0

HEARING OF CITIZENS – none

FINANCE REPORTS-The monthly report of expenditures in the amount of \$310,978.38 was presented for approval for the General Fund.

A motion was made by Fox and supported by DeVoe to pay bills in the amount of \$310,378.38.

Motion Carried 7-0-0

Rita Broekema reviewed the School Loan Revolving Fund Package, reminding the Board that the district would be in this fund for a couple years.

AGENDA ADDITIONS AND CHANGES- Stitt requested one additional agenda item – Hiring of Staff to be #9 and Final Thoughts and Announcements moved to #10.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

1. High School Boys and Girls State Representative Presentation – Mr. Kolassa presented five students, Madeline Hartlieb, Grant Bradley, Jacob Marshall, John Mullens, and Brandon

Vukelich, who shared their personal experience as representatives at Boys or Girls State. All five indicated it was a growing experience that they would recommend.

2. Report from August 20th Special Meeting – Rob Olsen presented the tabulated results from the special meeting. Dr. Stitt presented the next steps of moving forward.
3. PTO Support – Dr. Stitt shared the two items PTO approved at their last meeting and noted that the PTO annually spends approximately \$18,000 in supporting our schools. Board expressed their appreciation for the generous support of PTO.
4. Enrollment Projection – Dr. Stitt shared preliminary data that indicates that our head count taken the first week of school seems to support that while as a district our enrollment is declining, the decline appears to be slower than originally projected in the Spring and budgeted for the 2011-12 school year. Dr. Stitt also reminded the Board of the revenue sharing agreement with the SEA.
5. Board Policy #6320 (Revision) – First Read – Dr. Stitt reviewed the suggested revision of the purchasing policy to match the competitive bid threshold as determined by the Michigan Department of Education rather than \$1,000 or \$5,000 as previously noted.
6. School Bus Purchase – Kit DeJong presented data related to the age and mileage of our current fleet. She, along with Dr. Stitt, presented a recommendation to purchase a used bus.

A motion was made by Fox and supported by Fetzer to purchase a used bus.

Motion Carried 7-0-0

7. Contract Extension for Education for Employment Resolution – Dr. Stitt shared that the contract for the EFE program was up for extension and recommended that the Board adopt the resolution to extend the contract.

A motion was made by Mastenbrook and supported by Marshall to adopt the resolution to extend the EFE contract.

**Roll call vote: Ayes - Marshall, Fox, Rochholz, Fetzer, Mastenbrook, DeVoe and Krum
Nays - none**

8. Legislative Update – Dr. Stitt postponed this discussion to another meeting.

9. Staff Reinstatement – Dr. Stitt recommended that Nicole Millard be called back from a .5 to full time (1st grade) and Kris DeVoe to .5 (Y5).

A motion was made by Fox and supported by Marshall to call back Nicole Millard from a .5 to full time (1st grade) and Kris DeVoe to .5 (Y5).

Motion Carried 7-0-0

10. Final Thoughts and Announcements – Mr. Krum shared that Madeline Hartlieb, girls state representative, is the granddaughter of long time House of Representatives rep Garry Brown. Mrs. Fetzer shared that the Brown family was one of the original settlers in Schoolcraft. Mrs. Mastenbrook expressed her gratitude for the quality of the EFE program in Kalamazoo County and in particular the SCS students. Mrs. Fetzer invited anyone who is interested in participating to join the community painting effort at the library this week. Dr. Stitt reminded the Board that he would be at a conference 9-21 to 23.

ADJOURNMENT

DeVoe made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting supported by Mastenbrook.

Motion Carried 7-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

*Recorded by Rita A. Broekema
Finance Director*

These minutes have been approved by:

D' Arbra Fetzer, Secretary
Schoolcraft Community Schools