

WATERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION - MINUTES

October 6, 2016

OPENING

The Waterford School District Board of Education regular meeting, held at the Waterford Township Hall Auditorium, 5200 Civic Center Drive, Waterford, Michigan, was called to order by President Seeterlin at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE

The audience joined the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Sutherland, Himmelpach, Torres, Piggott, Petrusha, and Seeterlin
Absent: Member Halls
Others: Keith Wunderlich, William Holbrook, Janet McLeod, Lisa McFee, Darin Holley, Rhonda Lessel, Monica Lee, Eric Longuski, Merylyn Meisner, Megan Roberts and others that did not register

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENTS

Kyle Wright, eighth grade band student at Pierce Middle School, had the honor of conducting the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in Mott's Performing Arts Center, during a community concert. Congratulations Kyle.

Kettering Senior Phathit (Joe) Renas was selected as one of only 125 students from 28 states to be a member of the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band. This is an All-National Honors Marching Band, with the U.S. Army paying 100% OF THE COST FOR Phathit to participate. It will involve a week of intensive rehearsals in San Antonio, Texas the first week of January, followed by a half-time performance on Saturday, January 7, at the U.S. Army All American Bowl. To celebrate this incredible achievement, the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band Selection Tour staff visited Kettering on Tuesday, September 27, to officially name Phathit Renas as a member of the Band in a special ceremony.

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

a. Mott High School Drumline

As we look forward to the Mott/Kettering community football game on October 15, the home team drumline, led by Mott High School senior Caitlyn Klein, joined the meeting to get the community in the football spirit by playing a variety of pieces composed or arranged but past and present Mott High School drumline musicians. With Mott High School band teacher and marching band director David Phillip and elementary music teacher and co-band director Cory Wholehan, the Waterford Mott Drumline shared the following set lists including Shake, Squid Squad, Downfall, Shots, Jam and Solo Game.

CELEBRATIONS OF LEARNING

b. Mott Production: Arsenic and Old Lace

October 20-23, Mott High School's Drama Club will be presenting their fall production of Arsenic and Old Lace to our community. This hilarious dark comedy tells the story of New York theatre critic Mortimer Brewster (played by Mott's Jalen Nelem), who has recently become engaged to the girl next door, Elaine Harper (played by Claire Sutton). After Mortimer announces his good news, he stumbles upon something quite disturbing---his two beloved aunts Abby and Martha (played by Jessica Sroczynski and Cara Simiele) have been poisoning people and burying them in the cellar. Additionally, Mortimer learns that insanity runs elsewhere in his family---not only is his brother Teddy (played by Mathias Dahl) convinced that he is Teddy Roosevelt, but also his brother Jonathan (played Ian Campbell) has been changing his face to hide his identity after committing a string of murders. As if matters couldn't get any worse, the police station is close by and cops love to stop by unannounced to have one of the aunts' home-cooked meals.

To find out if Mortimer stop his aunts before they kill again, whether the cops ever find out what is really happening, and if Mortimer ever marries his fiancée and has a happy ending be sure to get your tickets at www.waterfordpac.com for the upcoming show. Here to share provide a sneak peek into the production is the shows director and Waterford Mott teacher Liz Brockington and the cast of Arsenic and Old Lace.

INFORMATION ITEM

a. Head Start Budget

The Waterford School District Head Start program is required to submit its 2016-2017 budget for Board of Education approval. A copy has been provided to the Board of Education for review and a recommendation for approval will be presented on October 20, 2016.

b. AG 5460: Graduation Requirements

Revisions to Administrative Guideline 5460: Graduation Requirements were presented to the Board of Education.

c. Construction Update

William Holbrook, Executive Director, Business and Operations, updated the Board of Education on the 2016 summer construction projects.

d. Results of Short Term Borrowing

The sale of the Waterford School District 2016 State Aid Notes for short term borrowing was on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. The short term borrowing is for \$15,000,000, maturing on September 25, 2017 and has a total interest expense of \$151,777.08.

Bids were as follows:

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
PNC Bank	1.0175% *
Oppenheimer & Co., Inc.	1.4107%
Fith Third Securities, Inc.	1.5263%

* Bid Award

INFORMATION ITEM

e. Results of the Sale of Bonds, 2016, Series I

The sale of the Waterford School District Bonds, 2016 Series I for \$20,000,000 was on Wednesday, September 28, 2016.

Bids were as follows:

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Net Interest Rate</u>
Stifel, Nicolaus & Col, Inc., St. Louis, MO	2.62% *
Jefferies LLC, New York, NY	2.67%
Robert W. Baird & Col., Inc., Milwaukee, WI	2.68%

* Bid Award

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

There were no audience comments on action items.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. September 15, 2016, Regular Meeting

Moved by Member Halls and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education adopt the minutes of the September 15, 2016, Board of Education meeting.

Ayes: Members Sutherland, Torres, Himmelspach, Piggott, Seeterlin, and Petrusha
Nays: None
Motion carried. (6-0)

NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent’s Recommendations

(1) Recommendation 29-16-17 Relative to Teaching Contract Changes/Appointments

Moved by Member Torres and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the following teaching contract changes/appointments for the 2016-2017 school year.

Allen, Keshia, Speech & Language Pathologist
Schoolcraft Elementary School
100% Annual Contract
Effective October 3, 2016

NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent's Recommendations

(1) Recommendation 29-16-17 Relative to Teaching Contract Changes/Appointments (*continued*)

Burlingame, Christopher, Teacher
Kettering High School
Increased from 100% to 108.5%
First Semester Only, Tenure Contract
Effective September 30, 2016

Crane, David, Teacher
Kettering High School
Increased from 100% to 108.5%
First Semester Only, Tenure Contract
Effective September 30, 2016

Gohl, Amanda, Counselor
Mott High School
100% Annual Contract
Effective September 26, 2016

Krompatic, Daniel, Teacher
Mott High School
Increased from 100% to 108.5%
First Semester Only, Tenure Contract
Effective September 30, 2016

Miller, Anthony, Teacher
Kettering High School
Increased from 100% to 108.5%
First Semester Only, Tenure Contract
Effective September 30, 2016

Nicholson, Nathan, Teacher
Kettering High School
Increased from 100% to 108.5%
First Semester Only, Tenure Contract
Effective September 30, 2016

Sacks, Lainie, Teacher
Houghton Elementary School
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 30, 2016

Werner, Amy, Teacher
Kettering High School
Increased from 100% to 108.5%
First Semester Only, Tenure Contract
Effective September 30, 2016

Ayes: Members Torres, Himmelspach, Sutherland, Piggott, Seeterlin, and Petrusha

Nays: None

Motion carried. (6-0)

NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent's Recommendations

(2) Recommendation 30-16-17 Relative to Resolution: National School Lunch Week

Moved by Member Torres and supported by Member Piggott that the Board of Education approve the following resolution in support of National School Lunch Week.

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program has served our nation admirably for over 60 years through advanced practices and nutrition education; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program is dedicated to the health and well-being of our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program has been joined through the years by many other excellent child feeding programs; and there is evidence of continued need for nutrition education and awareness of the value of school nutrition programs; and

WHEREAS, the Waterford Board of Education recognizes that children who are provided breakfast and lunch daily are better prepared for the classroom environment, being able to focus solely on their learning, rather than a basic biological need; and

WHEREAS, it is important for all Michigan communities to understand that education and proper child nutrition go hand in hand; and

WHEREAS, the Waterford Board of Education continues to recognize and takes great pleasure in commending the men and women who accept and meet the daily challenge of providing school lunches to our children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the week of October 10-14, 2016, be recognized as National School Lunch Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, that National School Lunch Week be devoted to the recognition of everyone who contributes to the successful operation of our district's school lunch food service programs; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that this special week serve as a fitting time to urge all Waterford residents to become aware and concerned about their children's and their own nutrition habits, in hope of achieving a more healthful citizenry for today and the future.

Ayes: Members Himmelpach, Torres, Sutherland, Piggott, Seeterlin, and Petrusha

Nays: None

Motion carried. (6-0)

(3) Recommendation 31-16-17 Relative to Resolution: National School Bus Safety Week

Moved by Member Torres and supported by Member Piggott that the Board of Education approve the following resolution in support of National School Bus Safety Week.

WHEREAS, the Waterford Board of Education recognizes that the importance of protecting the safety of Waterford's school children extends beyond the classroom walls and the school building; and

WHEREAS, the Board has great respect for the accomplishments of school bus drivers, mechanics, supervisors, and all school transportation personnel in providing the safest transportation possible for children to and from school and home; and

NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent's Recommendations

(3) Recommendation 31-16-17 Relative to Resolution: National School Bus Safety Week (*continued*)

WHEREAS, coordinating the countless routes over so many miles and supervising the dozens of students on each vehicle, requires an outstanding effort put forth by these exemplary professionals who have devoted their careers to transporting our children safely; and

WHEREAS, the Board continues to recognize and to take great pleasure in commending the men and women who accept and meet the challenge of school transportation; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the week of October 17-21, 2016, is recognized as Nation School Bus Safety Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this week be devoted to the recognition of everyone who contributes to the successful operation of our nation's school buses; and be it finally

RESOLVED, that this special week serve as a fitting time to urge all Waterford drivers to become more aware of school bus safety regulations and encourage all citizens to be alert and drive carefully near school buses.

Ayes: Members Himmelspach, Torres, Sutherland, Piggott, Seeterlin, and Petrusha

Nays: None

Motion carried. (6-0)

(4) Recommendation 32-16-17 Relative to Resolution: National School Principal's Month

Moved by Member Torres and supported by Member Piggott that the Board of Education approve the following resolution in support of National School Principal's Month.

WHEREAS, the National Association of Secondary School Principals and the National Association of Elementary School Principals have declared the month of October 2016 to be National Principals Month; and

WHEREAS, principals are educational visionaries, instructional and assessment leaders, disciplinarians, community builders, budget analysts, facilities managers, and administrators of legal and contractual obligations; and

WHEREAS, principals work collaboratively with teachers and parents to develop and implement a clear mission, high curriculum standards, and performance goals; and

WHEREAS, principals create school environments that facilitate great teaching and learning and continuous school improvement; and

WHEREAS the vision, actions, and dedication of principals provide the mobilizing force behind any school reform effort; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Principals Month would honor elementary school, middle school, and high school principals, and recognize the importance of principals in ensuring that every child has access to a high-quality education:

NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent's Recommendations

(4) Recommendation 32-16-17 Relative to Resolution: National School Principal's Month (*continued*)

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Waterford School District Board of Education

(1) recognizes the month of October 2016 as National Principals Month; and

(2) honors the contribution of principals in the elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools by supporting the goals and ideals of National Principals Month.

Ayes: Members Himmelpach, Torres, Sutherland, Piggott, Seeterlin, and Petrusha

Nays: None

Motion carried. (6-0)

(5) Recommendation 33-16-17 Relative to Reinstatement of a Student

In keeping with Michigan law, a committee consisting of school board members, a school administrator, teacher and parent of a pupil in the district reviewed a petition for the reinstatement of a student previously expelled by the Waterford School District.

Moved by Member Torres and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Committee to reinstate the student, with conditions.

Ayes: Members Himmelpach, Torres, Sutherland, Piggott, Seeterlin, and Petrusha

Nays: None

Motion carried. (6-0)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Future Items –October 20, 2016

1. Celebration of Learning- Opportunities for Advanced Learners
2. Information – External Audit Report
3. Action – Head Start Budget

b. Board of Education Reports

Member Torres talked about the homecoming events and school spirit shown by both Mott and Kettering.

On behalf of the Board, President Seeterlin wished a happy birthday to Dr. Wunderlich.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

Marilyn Meissner addressed the Board of Education regarding a student matter.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wunderlich addressed the public comments, echoed the accolades given throughout the meeting and talked about First Friday, Reading with Wilbur and the upcoming Mott vs. Kettering game. The new STEM lab will be open so community members attending the game can check it out.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:36 PM, by roll call vote, the Board of Education moved to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a written legal opinion from the District's legal counsel.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by President Seeterlin at 7:54 PM.

Secretary, Board of Education

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