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# WATERFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Board Briefs

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SUMMARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

June 12, 2008

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## PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2007-2008 BUDGET

A hearing was held relative to the proposed 2008-2009 Waterford School District Budget. No comments were received.

## RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

**Shannon Osika** - Once again, the Waterford School District is pleased to recognize Shannon Osika for her outstanding athletic accomplishments during the 2007-2008 school year. Shannon has become a running sensation at Mott High School, winning the State Cross Country Championship and recently assisting her team in bringing home Waterford's first-ever county championship on May 23. Shannon placed first in the 400 m, 4x800, as well as the 4x400. In addition, at the Division I Girls' meet at Rockford High School, Shannon placed as State Runner-Up in the 4X800m Relay and the 1600m and was the State Champion for the 3200m.

Shannon's athletic abilities are great and she is valuable member of the Girls Track Team at Mott High School. We look forward to seeing many more accomplishments from Shannon as she returns this fall as a sophomore at Mott.

**Aaron Phillips** - The 2007 Walter P. Chrysler Closing the Technology Gap in Education Awards recognize Michigan public School educators who have taken extra steps to stimulate students in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and Math. The top 10 award winners were invited to a dinner celebration in May where award levels were announced.

Adams Elementary School teacher, Aaron Phillips was given the top distinction of first prize for his project centered on the year-long science theme of change. As a first prize award winner Mr. Phillips has received \$15,000 for his school to build the science, technology, engineering and math curriculum.

This is a very exciting honor for which we are very proud. Superintendent Neu presented a brief video provided by the Chrysler Foundation highlighting this exciting event.

**John Himmelspach** - On behalf of the Oakland County School Boards Association, Michigan Association of School Boards, and the Waterford Board of Education Mr. Neu presented Board Treasurer, John Himmelspach, with the distinguished Years of Service Award in honor of his 16 years of dedicated service as a member of the Waterford Board of Education.

Through his role on the Board, John has become a true advocate for children and has worked diligently to ensure that all students receive the highest quality education. As a Board of Education member John has been faced with tough challenges and has had to make very difficult decisions. Through it all, John has remained focused on the best interest of the students and continues to be a voice for children's education.

Thank you John for your contributions to Waterford Schools, your passion for education, and for all you have done for Waterford's youth!

**RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT FROM CENTRAL STAFF**

**Student Scholarship** - Congratulations to Coty Hough, Kettering High School senior, who was awarded \$2,500 from the Matthew P. Frankfurth Memorial Scholarship Fund. This scholarship fund was established to honor and remember Kettering student Matt Frankfurth and was open to all Waterford School District seniors. Coty plans to utilize this scholarship for entrance in the fireman/paramedic academy through Oakland Community College.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Spring Athletic Accomplishments** - Mike Butterfield, Supervisor of Athletics at Kettering High School, and Rick Dorn, Supervisor of Athletics at Mott High School, shared some of the spring athletic accomplishments and highlights from their respective schools.

**Graduation Report** - Lynn Kosinski, Supervisor of Secondary Education, reported on the 2008 graduation for Mott High School, Kettering High School, and Manley Campus. Commencements were held at Oakland University on Saturday, June 7, 2008.

**District Accreditation** - Bill Gesaman presented information as it relates to the NCA District Accreditation process. A recommendation to pursue accreditation will be presented for approval on July 17, 2008.

**Head Start Report** - The Board of Education received as information the Head Start Director's Report for the months of April, May, and June 2008.

**Head Start Policies/Budget** - The Head Start program is required by the federal government to have a policy committee. This committee meets monthly for the purpose of developing and approving policies for the Head Start program. All policies developed and approved by this committee also require approval by the Board of Education. The Board of Education received the following: Self Assessment Policy, Service Plan Part I and II, Strategic Plan 2008-2009, and Budget 2008-2009. A recommendation for approval will be presented on July 17, 2008.

**Resolution: Summer Tax Collection** - The Board of Education received a resolution securing summer tax collection for the District as set forth in 1982 Public Act No. 333. A recommendation to adopt this resolution will be presented to the Board of Education at the July 17, 2008, Board of Education meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2008-2009 Budget Resolution** - Following a Public Hearing, the Board of Education approved a resolution relative to the Original Budgets 2008-2009. A copy of this resolution and budget information can be obtained through Business Services - Finance & Budget, located at the Kurzman Administration Offices - Covert Center.

**Tentative Salary/Wage and Calendar Agreement** - The Board of Education approved the resolution relative to tentative negotiated agreements regarding salary and wages for 2007-2010 for the WEA, MESPA I, II, and III and the 2008-2009 calendar.

**Contract Change(s)/Appointment(s)** - The Board of Education approved the following contract change(s)/appointment(s):

Jennifer Hopcian, Teacher  
100% Probationary Contract  
Effective 2008-2009 School Year

**Contract Award: Roof Replacements** - The Board of Education approved the award of a contract for partial roof replacements at Kettering High School, Pierce Middle School, and Mason Middle School as follows:

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>PROPOSAL</u>
Pierce Middle School	Port Huron Roofing	\$162,600
Mason Middle School	Newton Crane Roofing, Inc.	\$ 72,900
Kettering High School	Fisher Roofing Company	\$106,200
<i>Total for Project</i>		<i>\$341,700</i>

**FUTURE**

July 17, 2008

- Organization - Election of Officers
- Organization - Establish Official Board Meeting Night, Time, and Location
- Organization - Establish Area Newspaper to Publish Official Board Notices
- Organization - Appointments by Board President
- Information - Advanced Placement Report
- Action - Appointment of General Legal Counsel
- Action - Appointment of General Labor Counsel
- Action - Appointment of Special Education Legal Counsel
- Action - Appointment of Legal Counsel: Student Matters
- Action - Designee to Represent the Board of Education in Elections
- Action - Authorization to Represent the District in Property Matters
- Action - School District Legal Reference Note
- Action - Summer Tax Collection Resolution
- Action - School Meal Prices
- Action - District Memberships
- Action - Head Start Policies
- Action - Head Start Budget
- Action - District Accreditation
- Action - Attendance Guideline

For information on these subjects, watch the replay of the Board meeting on Channel 22 Friday following the meeting at 10:00 AM, Sunday at 12:00 PM, and again the following Monday at 8:00 PM. The Interim and Regular meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month, beginning at 7:00 PM. The public is invited to attend.