
Board Briefs

SUMMARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FISCAL MEETING

July 16, 2009

INFORMATION ITEM

Negotiations Update - Peni Aldrich, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources provided the Board of Education with an update relative to contract negotiations. A tentative agreement has been reached with MESPA I, II, and III.

Short Term Borrowing - The Administration will present a resolution for adoption on August 6, 2009, regarding the renewal for short term borrowing. Based on cash flow projections, the Administration has determined it is necessary to borrow up to \$7,200,000 to meet short term cash flow obligations. These projections have been reviewed and supported by the Michigan School Investment Association. This short term borrowing for the 2009-2010 fiscal year will be repaid September 2010. Historically, the District has borrowed for short term obligations based on the timing of receiving state aid funds. This short term borrowing is consistent with that historical pattern. The borrowing will be accomplished through brokerage firms and banking institution bids.

Michigan Schools Energy Cooperative (MISEC) Amendment to Bylaws - The Waterford School District has been a member of the Michigan Schools Energy Cooperative (MISEC) since its inception in 1997. This non-profit organization was organized by State of Michigan Educational leadership organizations, specifically MSBO, MASA, MAISA, MASB, and MCEA. The purpose of MISEC is to aggregate the states' individual school districts in order to provide a schedule supply of natural gas and electricity at the lowest possible price.

In response to members' interest, MISEC will be offering Diesel Fuel Program that will maximize districts aggregate purchasing power in the area of operation. In order to engage this service, MISEC's bylaws must be amended by the Board of Education of its member districts with a two-thirds majority. The Board of Education received the amendment that is recommended for approval, which allows our district to participate in the program. A recommendation for Board approval will be presented on August 6.

Meal Prices 2009-2010 - A recommendation for the following 2009-2010 school year breakfast and lunch prices was presented and approval will be requested at the August 6, 2009, Board of Education meeting:

<i>Breakfast</i>	<u>08-09</u>	<u>09-10</u>
Elementary	\$1.50	\$1.50
Secondary	\$1.50	\$1.50
Adult	\$2.00	\$2.00

<i>Lunch</i>	<u>08-09</u>	<u>09-10</u>
Elementary	\$2.50	\$2.50
Secondary	\$2.75	\$2.75
Adult	\$3.50	\$3.50

Contract Award: Milk, Juice, and Bakery Products - The Administration is requesting bid proposals to contract for the purchase of milk, juice, and bakery products for use in the School Breakfast and Lunch program in the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school years (two year bid). A recommendation to award a contract will be presented for Board approval on August 6, 2009.

Therapeutic Pool, Kingsley Montgomery School - The Administration is soliciting bid proposals for the purchase and installation of a therapeutic pool at Kingsley Montgomery School. A recommendation will be presented for approval at the August 20, 2009, Board of Education meeting. The funding source is the KMS Capital Project Funds/Oakland Schools.

Miscellaneous Kitchen Equipment, Kingsley Montgomery - The Administration is soliciting bid proposals for the purchase of miscellaneous kitchen equipment for Kingsley Montgomery School. A recommendation will be presented for approval at the Board of Education meeting on August 20, 2009. The funding source is the KMS Capital Project Funds/Oakland Schools.

Head Start Reports - The Board of Education received the Head Start Director's Report for May and June 2009 and the financial report for May 2009.

NEW BUSINESS

Newspaper Designated to Publish Official Board Notices- The Board of Education designated The Oakland Press for publication of legal notices for the Board of Education for the 2009-2010 school year.

Appointment of Legal Counsel - The Board of Education approved the recommendation to designate Stanley W. Kurzman, Law Offices of Stanley W. Kurzman, PLLC, as general legal counsel for the Waterford School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

Appointment of Labor Counsel - The Board of Education approved the appointment of Bill Albertson, Thrun Law Firm, P.C., as labor counsel for the Waterford School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

Appointment of Student Issue Legal Counsel - The Board of Education approved the appointment of Joe Urban, Clark Hill Law Firm, as legal counsel for student issues for the Waterford School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

Appointment of Special Education Legal Counsel - The Board of Education approved the recommendation to appoint Richard Kroopnick, Thurn Law Firm, P.C., and Robert Lusk, Clark Hill, as special education legal counsel for the Waterford School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

Appointment of External Auditor - The Board of Education designated Yeo & Yeo, P.C., as the official external auditor for the Waterford School District for the 2009-2010 school year.

Appointment of Superintendent or Designee to Represent the Board in Elections - The Board of Education approved a resolution authorizing Robert R. Neu, Superintendent, or his designee, Thomas W. Wiseman, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, to represent the Board of Education in all school district elections.

Authorization to Represent the District in Property Matters - The Board of Education authorizes Thomas W. Wiseman, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services to represent the Waterford School District Board of Education in all property matters, enabling him to sign Board approved purchase, sale and lease agreements on the Board's behalf.

Legal Reference Note - The Board of Education approved the School District Legal Reference Note as written. This note is added or attached to the minutes of the July 16, 2009 Regular/Fiscal meeting of the Board of Education as a legal reference status of the District.

Summer Tax Resolution - The Board of Education approved a resolution authorizing the collection of the summer property tax levy from the Charter Townships of Waterford, Independence, White Lake, West Bloomfield, and the City of Lake Angelus.

Memberships - The Board of Education authorized the administration to renew Waterford School District memberships for the 2009-2010 school year with the following organizations:

Michigan Association of School Boards
 Michigan Association of School Boards Legal Trust Fund
 Michigan High School Athletic Association
 Michigan School Investment Association
 Middle Cities Educational Management
 Michigan Association of School Administrators
 American Association of School Administrators
 Michigan PTA

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 Board of Education approval. The Board of Education approved the Head Start policies and budget as approved by the Head Start Policy Committee.

School of Choice Resolution - The Board of Education approved a resolution authorizing participation in the Schools of Choice program on a space available basis for the Kindergarten grade level only, for the 2009-2010 school year. The Waterford School District will accept applications for the Kindergarten grade level until the deadline established by law.

Resignations - The Board of Education approved the following resignation:
 Hester Hashein, Teacher
 PAVA
 Resignation
 Effective July 7, 2009

Contract Changes/Appointments - The Board of Education approved the following contract change/appointment:

Brian Robertson, Teacher
 International Academy
 100% Probationary Contract
 Effective August 27, 2009

Vehicle Leases: Busses - The Board of Education approved a contract award for a three year lease agreement for five seventy-one passenger busses to Capital City Transportation in the amount of \$60,447. Funding source is General Fund Transportation Budget.

FUTURE

August 6, 2009

- (1) Recognition - Jon Aaron Phillips, August 6
- (2) Information - AYP Report, August 6
- (3) Information - KMS Project Update, August 6
- (4) Action - Short Term Borrowing, August 6
- (5) Action - MISEC Amendment to Bylaws, August 6
- (6) Action - School Meal Prices, August 6
- (7) Action - Contract Award: Milk, Juice, and Bakery Products

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, again the following Monday at 8:00 PM. Board of Education meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month, beginning at 6:00 PM. The public is invited to attend.