
Board Briefs

SUMMARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION INTERIM MEETING

July 16, 2009

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT BY SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD OF EDUCATION

TJ Rivard - The Waterford Board of Education is pleased to recognize and thank T.J. Rivard for his contributions to the youth and families of the Waterford School District through his efforts in the annual Outhouse Open. Over the past 40 years, this golf tournament has raised funds for charitable, school, and civic organizations, including school districts of Garden City, Plymouth Canton, Waterford, and the Waterford Outreach Center. The proceeds have benefited special needs students as well as members of the community in need of assistance due to catastrophic events. In addition, throughout the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays food baskets and toys are delivered to families in need. The tournament has generated over \$200,000 for the various aforementioned organizations and has made a significant impact in the lives of many. At the most recent outing T.J. was honored by both the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and the State of Michigan legislature with proclamations for his work. Again, thank you for Mr. Rivard for his outstanding charitable efforts and recognize the difference he has made to the Waterford community.

Jon Aaron Phillips - Recently, President Obama named Mr. Jon Aaron Phillips, teacher at Adams Elementary School, as a recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, an award given to the best pre-college-level science and math teachers from across the country. Our own Mr. Phillips was one of only 87 recipients selected nationally and was one of two representing the State of Michigan. As a winner of the Presidential Teaching Award, Aaron will receive \$10,000 from the National Science Foundation to be used at his discretion, along with an all expense paid trip to Washington, D. C. for a White House awards ceremony and several days of educational and celebratory events, including visits with members of Congress and science agency leaders. This is an incredible honor and opportunity for Aaron and it is certainly fitting recognition for the outstanding job he does each and every day educating and engaging the students in his classroom at Adams Elementary. Mr. Phillips is a top-notch educator and on behalf of the Board of Education and the entire Waterford School District I am proud to extend heartfelt congratulations!

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT BY CENTRAL STAFF

Health Care Summer Camp - This summer, six Waterford School District middle school students dedicated a week of their vacation to participate in a summer camp focused on health care careers. This camp was held at Oakland Community College and Huron Valley Sinai Hospital. Students learned from health care professionals, explored health professions, acquired valuable life skills and secured a better understanding of the role and responsibilities of the health care provider. Participants included incoming 8th grade students who successfully completed of math and science and have an interest in becoming a member of the health care profession. Participants included Danielle Cole, Angelica Fotineas, Lukas Jacob, Lauren Kozlowski, Sabrina Lundsford, and Andrew Marczewski.

Bus Inspection - School buses across the State of Michigan must undergo a 198-point safety inspection each year, the most extensive of any commercial vehicle in the State. Thursday, July 9, the Michigan State Police began the inspection process for our fleet of 80 buses here in Waterford. We are pleased to announce that we have completed our Michigan State Police school bus inspection with 100% pass rate. Due to the outstanding efforts of our mechanics and staff, our fleet has once again passed inspection with no yellow or red tag violations! Congratulations to the Transportation Department and thank you to our mechanics for their outstanding efforts to ensure the safety and success of our students and staff.

INFORMATION ITEM

MME Report - Mike Batten, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction & Accountability, provided the Board of Education with an update on the Michigan Merit Exam results.

KMS Project Update - Thomas Wiseman, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, and Nadine Milostan, Executive Director of Student Support Services, shared an update on the Kingsley Montgomery School Project and the temporary move to Pine Lake.

NEW BUSINESS

Short Term Borrowing - The Board of Education approved a resolution, 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 approved the amendment which allows our district to participate in the program.

Meal Prices 2009-2010 - The Board of Education approved the following 2009-2010 school year breakfast and lunch prices:

<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 Changes/Appointments - The Board of Education approved the following teaching/administrative contract changes/appointments:

Al-Jeroundi, Samer, Teacher
Mott High School
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Mihalcheon, Kathryn, Speech Pathologist
Student Support Services
60% Annual Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Anderson, Benjamin, Teacher
Kettering High School
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Osburn, Jessica, School Psychologist
Student Support Services
100% Annual Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Bruley, Anthony, Teacher
Kettering High School
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Petz, Lauren, Teacher
Kettering High School
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Esbrook, James, Teacher
Manley Campus
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Roberts, Todd, Teacher
Kettering High School
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Gobler, Brent, Teacher
Mott High School
100% Probationary Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Hemming, Jill, Teacher
Student Support Services
50% Annual Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Hunt, Lori, Speech Pathologist
Student Support Services
100% Annual Contract
Effective August 27, 2009

Resignations -The Board of Education approved the following resignations:

Cusumano-Breen, Jennifer, Teacher
Burt Elementary School
Resignation
Effective August 31, 2009

Hagan, Michele, Teacher
Adams Elementary School
Resignation
Effective July 21, 2009

Swanson, Christine, Teacher
Kingsley Montgomery School
Resignation
Effective August 4, 2009

Contract Award: Milk and Juice - The Board of Education approved a recommendation to award a two year contract to Country Pride for the purchase of milk and 100% juice products for use in the District's School Breakfast and Lunch Programs. Total estimated award recommendation is \$293,000 funded by the Food Service Fund.

Contract Award: Bakery Products - The Board of Education approved the recommendation to award a two year contract to purchase bakery products for use in the District's School Breakfast and Lunch Programs to Great Lakes Baking Company, in the amount of \$89,718. Funding source is Food Service Fund.

FUTURE

August 20, 2009

- (1) Information - Professional Development Day, August 20
- (2) Information - SSHS Grant Update, August 20
- (3) Information - Negotiations Update, August 20
- (4) Action - Contract Award: Therapeutic Pool at KMS, August 20
- (5) Action - Contract Award: Kitchen Equipment at KMS, August 20

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.