

Our Mission

East Grand Rapids Public Schools, in partnership with students, parents, and community, will ensure that each student acquires the knowledge, skills, and strategies necessary to reach his or her full potential, and become a productive citizen.

EAST GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Kent County, Michigan

REGULAR Meeting of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education

Woodcliff Center Community Board Room, 2915 Hall Street, SE.,
East Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

For Information, call 616-235-3535.

5:30 p.m.

Monday, December 15, 2003

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Recognition of the East Grand Rapids High School MHSAA Division III 2003 State Championship Football Team - Woodcliff Gym
3. Acknowledgement of Guests
4. Public Comments
5. Communications to and from the Board
6. High School Student Council President's Report - Ms. Steffie Kabat
7. EGREA President's Report - Mrs. Cynthia Bischoff

Discussion Items:

8. Update on Athletic Department - Mr. Jerry Fouch, Director of Athletics

Action Items - Consent Agenda:

Background: In order to save time during the meeting, we are using a Consent Agenda. Items in the Consent Agenda include those that are routine or have been previously discussed by the Board of Education. Any Board Member may request to have any item removed for a separate discussion and vote.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Numbers 9 through 11.

9. Approval of Minutes of REGULAR MEETING of 11/24/03 (Enclosure #9)

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10. Approval of November Payment of Bills (Enclosure #10)

11. Approval of Medical Leave of Absence - Mrs. Shelly S. Schram

Background: Under the provisions of the Master Agreement in Article 15, Section M, Mrs. Shelly S. Schram is requesting a medical leave of absence for approximately six weeks beginning January 26, 2004 through March 9, 2004. (Enclosure #11)

Recommendation: Motion to approve the recommendation to grant to Mrs. Shelly S. Schram a medical leave of absence upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Other Action Items:

12. Approval of an Additional Superintendent's Goal

Background: The Board of Education asked Dr. Morse to add a goal to complete negotiated contracts with the teachers and support staff for 2004-2005 by June 30, 2004. (Enclosure #12)

Recommendation: Motion to add the following goal to the Superintendent's annual goals: "In order to continue our positive working relationship with our teachers and support staff, the Superintendent will negotiate new teacher and support staff contracts for 2004-2005 by June 30, 2004."

13. Approval of 2004-2005 School Calendar

Background: A Problem Solving Committee of teachers and administrators met to discuss the 2004-2005 school calendar. The enclosed calendar follows the countywide school calendar. (Enclosure #13)

Recommendation: Motion to approve the 2004-2005 school calendar as recommended by the Superintendent.

14. Acceptance of Grants from the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation

Background: The East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation awarded the fall Grants and Mini Grants at the November 2003 Foundation meeting. (Enclosure #14)

Recommendation: Motion to accept the grants as listed in Enclosure #14 totaling \$25,901.81 and to thank the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation for its support of the East Grand Rapids Public Schools.

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15. Approval of a Resolution for a Special Education Millage Election on February 24, 2004

Background: This proposal will increase the levy by the intermediate school district of special education millage previously approved by electors. All or a portion of the revenues will be distributed to local school districts for special education programs and services. (Enclosure #15)

Recommendation: Motion to approve the resolution for a special education millage election on February 24, 2004.

16. 2003-2004 General Fund Budget Amendment

Background: Each fall, the Board Finance Committee recommends a Budget Amendment to the Board of Education. The Finance Committee has reviewed the proposed amendment. (Enclosure #16)

Recommendation: Motion to approve the amendment for the 2003-04 budget as listed in Enclosure #16.

17. Administrative Reports

A. Superintendent

B. Assistant Supt. for Business

Financial Update (Enclosure #17B)

C. Assistant Supt. for Instruction

18. Adjournment

* Minutes for this meeting will be available in the Superintendent's Office at 2915 Hall Street SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

** If you plan to attend and have a special need and require accommodation to attend this meeting, please contact Dr. James Morse, Superintendent, at 235-3535.
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