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NOTICE

A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Education will be held on **Monday, April 18, 2005** at **7:30 p.m.** at the Woodcliff Center, 2915 Hall Street, SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506. Phone number for information is 235-3535.

PURPOSE of the REGULAR MEETING

Presentation:

Recognition of:

Teacher Appreciation Week – May 1-7, 2005
Parent and Volunteer Appreciation Week – May 8-14, 2005

Information Items:

Kent ISD Presentation – Accountability II
East Grand Rapids High School Annual Guidance Report
Budget Committee Recommendations for 2005-06 General Fund Budget

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of 3/28/05
Payment of Bills for March 2005
Approval of Maternity and Unpaid Child Care Leave

Other Action Items:

Acceptance of Grants from the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation
Appoint a Board Member to Represent EGRPS at the KISD Budget Hearing
Hearing to Consider Designation of an Electoral Representative and Alternate to the KISD Board
Election on June 6, 2005

Administrative Reports:

Board Reports:

Mrs. Beth Lent, President
East Grand Rapids Board of Education

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Our Mission

***Educating and inspiring each student
to navigate successfully in a global community.***

REGULAR Meeting of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education

Woodcliff Community Board Room, Woodcliff Center,
2915 Hall SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506
Phone 616-235-3535.

Monday, April 18, 2005 - 7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Acknowledgment of Guests
3. Public Comments
4. Recognition of:
 - A. Teacher Appreciation Week - May 1-7, 2005 - Dr. Morse
Background: The Administration recommends a resolution designating May 1-7, 2005 as *Teacher Appreciation Week*
 - B. Parent and Volunteer Appreciation Week - May 8-14, 2005 - Dr. Morse
Background: The Administration recommends a resolution designating May 8-14, 2005 as East Grand Rapids Schools *Parent and Volunteer Appreciation Week* to show appreciation to our students' parents and our volunteers.
Recommendation: Motion to recognize the teachers and parents and volunteers mentioned above and to thank them for their work with our children.
5. Communications to and from the Board
6. High School Student Council President's Report - Mr. Tom Bander
7. EGREA President's Report - Mrs. Cynthia Bischoff

Information Items:

8. Kent ISD Presentation - Accountability II - Mr. Ron Koehler

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9. Presentation of the East Grand Rapids High School Annual Guidance Report - Mr. Larry Fisher
10. Presentation of Budget Committee Recommendations for 2005-06 General Fund Budget - Mr. Derks

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 items in the Consent Agenda Numbers 11 through 13.

11. Approval of Minutes of REGULAR MEETING of 3/28/05 (Enclosure #11)
12. Approval of Payment of Bills for March 2005 (Enclosure #12)
13. Approval of a Maternity and Unpaid Child Care Leave of Absence for Mrs. Socorro Mercado De Blackport (High School) (Enclosure #13)

Background: Under provisions of the Master Agreement in Article 15, Section M, Mrs. Socorro Mercado De Blackport is requesting a maternity leave of absence beginning approximately August 26, 2005 and an unpaid child care leave of absence for and additional four weeks following the birth of her child.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the recommendation to grant to Mrs. Socorro Mercado De Blackport a maternity leave of absence and an unpaid child-care leave beginning approximately August 25, 2005 and continuing until November 7, 2005 upon the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Other Action Items:

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

Background: At the March 23, 2005, East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation meeting, the Foundation board awarded the spring grants. Susan Laffrey from the EGR Foundation will present the information. (Enclosure #14)

Recommendation: Motion to accept the grants awarded by the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation as listed in Enclosure #14 and to thank the Foundation for its generous support of East Grand Rapids Schools.

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15. Appoint a Board Member to Represent East Grand Rapids Public Schools at the Kent Intermediate School District Budget Hearing

Background: Each year, the KISD holds a Budget Review Hearing and each district within the Kent ISD sends a representative to the review hearing on the budget for the next school year.

Recommendation: Motion to appoint a Board member to represent East Grand Rapids Public Schools at the Kent ISD Budget Review Hearing on Wednesday, April 20, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

16. A Hearing to Consider Designation of an Electoral Representative and Alternate to the Kent Intermediate School District Board Election on June 6, 2005

Background: Public Act 419 of 2004 requires the Board to hold an initial hearing of the resolution to appoint an electoral representative and alternate to the ISD board election on Monday, June 6, 2005.

Recommendation: Discuss potential representatives.

Administrative Reports:

17. Superintendent

18. Assistant Superintendent for Business

19. Board Representative Report

20. Adjournment

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