

EAST GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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NOTICE

A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Education will be held on **Monday, March 27, 2006 at 7:00 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

Recognition of:

EGRPS Support Staff Week – April 23-29, 2006
Secretaries Day – April 26, 2006
Crossing Guard Appreciation Week – April 9-15, 2006

Information Items:

Fall 2005 MEAP Scores
First Reading Revised Policy #8320 & #8320-R (Student Use of Electronic Communication Devices)
First Reading Revised Policy #8383 (Procedures for Discipline)
First Reading Revised Policy #8390 & #8390-R (Suspension Procedures)
First Reading Revised Policy #8335 & #8335-R (Unlawful Substances and Other Criminal Acts)
First Reading New Policy #4060 (Energy Management Conservation)

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of 2/27/06
Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of 3/13/06
Approval of Payment of Bills for February 2006
Approval of 2 Foreign Exchange Students from Germany
Approval of Student Trip Abroad

Other Action Items:

Approval of Retirement Incentive Tax Sheltered Annuity Plan
Approval of Superintendent's Evaluation
Approval of Retirement of the Superintendent
Approval of Compact for the Future – KISD
Approval of Architectural Contract
Approval of Construction Management Contract
Approval of Bond Underwriter
Approval of Food Service Van Bid

Administrative Reports:

Teacher Retirements
Community Bond Forum – April 17, 2006
2006-2007 Budget Update
Summer School – Physical Education
Spring/Summer Staff Development Opportunities for Differentiation

Board Reports:

Parks and Recreation

2006-07 Tentative Board Meeting Dates

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

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** If you plan to attend and have a special need and require accommodation to attend this meeting, please contact Dr. James Morse at 235-3535 aht 03/23/06

Our Mission

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

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Kent County, Michigan

REGULAR Meeting of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education

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

Monday, March 27, 2006

7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Acknowledgment of Guests
3. Public Comments
4. Communications to and from the Board
5. Recognition of:
 - (A) East Grand Rapids Public Schools' Support Staff Week - April 23-29, 2006 - Dr. Morse
 - (B) Secretaries' Day - April 26, 2006 - Dr. Morse
 - (C) Crossing Guard Appreciation Week - April 9-15, 2006 - Dr. Morse

Recommendation: Motion to recognize the school and city employees mentioned above and to thank them for their work with our children.
6. Presentation to the Board - Youth Development STEP Performance Team - Mr. Dave Kampfschulte
7. High School Student Council President's Report - Mr. John Abraham
8. EGREA President's Report - Mrs. Nancy McSkimming

Discussion Items

9. Fall 2005 MEAP Scores - Mr. Jenkins

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10. First Reading of Revised Policy #8320 & #8320-R (Student Use of Electronic Communications Devices) - (Enclosure #10)
11. First Reading of Revised Policy #8383 (Procedures for Discipline) -(Enclosure #11)
12. First Reading of Revised Policy #8390 & #8390-R (Suspension Procedures) -(Enclosure #12)
13. First Reading of Revised Policy #8335 & #8335-R (Unlawful Substances and Other Criminal Acts) -(Enclosure #13)
14. First Reading of New Policy #4060 (Energy Management Conservation) -(Enclosure #14)

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 considered 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 15 through 20.

15. Approval of Minutes of REGULAR MEETING of 2/27/06 (Enclosure #15)
16. Approval of Minutes of SPECIAL MEETING of 3/13/06 (Enclosure #16)
17. Approval of Payment of Bills for February 2006 (Enclosure #17)
18. Approval of a Foreign Exchange Student from Germany (Enclosure #18)

Background: The High School Administration recommends that foreign exchange student, Adrienne Becht, from Germany, be approved for enrollment at East Grand Rapids High School during the 2006-07 school year.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the recommendation by the administration that Adrienne Becht from Germany be enrolled at East Grand Rapids High School for the 2006-07 school year.

19. Approval of a Foreign Exchange Student from Germany (Enclosure #19)

Background: The High School Administration recommends that foreign exchange student, Katharina Olbrich, from Germany, be approved for enrollment at East Grand Rapids High School during the 2006-07 school year.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the recommendation by the administration that Katharine Olbrich, from Germany, be enrolled at East Grand Rapids High School for the 2006-07 school year.

20. Approval of Student Trip Abroad

Background: In accordance with Board of Education Policy #7490, Mr. Cwayna is requesting Board approval of an overseas student/teacher trip. (Enclosure #20)

Recommendation: Motion to approve the overseas student/teacher trip as recommended by the Superintendent.

Other Action Items:

21. Approval of Retirement Incentive Tax Sheltered Annuity Plan

Background: Our attorneys have recommended an agreement to provide a tax sheltered plan for our retirees.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the Retirement Incentive Tax Sheltered plan as recommended by our attorneys and the Finance Committee.

22. Approval of the Superintendent's Evaluation

Background: The Board conducted the annual evaluation of Dr. Morse on March 9, 2006. They reviewed the Superintendent's goals and his performance. Mrs. Lent, Board President, will present a summary evaluation for Board approval.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the Superintendent's Evaluation statement.

23. Acceptance of Retirement of the Superintendent (Enclosure #23)

Background: Dr. Morse has submitted his resignation for retirement effective June 30, 2006.

Recommendation: Board President will recommend an acceptance of the resignation of the Superintendent, effective June 30, 2006.

24. Compact for the Future - KISD (Enclosure #24)

Background: The KISD Superintendents are recommending the Compact for the Future as part of our goal to better prepare students for a global, information-age economy.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the KISD Compact for the Future as recommended by the Superintendent.

25. Approval of Architectural Contract (Enclosure #25)

Background: The Board has worked with URS on our last two bond projects. Pending the outcome of the May 2 election, we are requesting authorization to enter into a contract with URS.

Recommendation: Motion to approve that the Board of Education authorize the administration to enter into a contract with URS as recommended by the Finance Committee.

26. Approval of Construction Management Contract (Enclosure #26)

Background: The Board has worked with OAK on our last two bond projects. Pending the outcome of the May 2 election, we are requesting authorization to enter into a contract with URS.

Recommendation: Motion to approve that the Board of Education authorize the administration to enter into a contract with OAK as recommended by the Finance Committee.

27. Approval of Bond Underwriter (Enclosure #27)

Background: Pending approval of the May 2 election, the Board will need to work with a bond underwriter to sell bonds. To expedite the sale of bonds and to insure the best rate, we are recommending that the Board authorize a contract with Fifth Third Securities to prepare a bond sale.

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Recommendation: Motion to approve that the Board of Education authorize the administration to enter into an agreement with Fifth Third Securities to broker the sale of bonds as recommended by the Finance Committee.

28. Food Service Van (Enclosure #28)

Background: The district is in need of replacing the 1992 Food Service delivery van. Requests for proposals were sent to local dealerships.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the purchase of a 2006 van to the low bidder, Berger Chevrolet in the amount of \$28,337 as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Administrative Reports

29. Superintendent

A. Teacher Retirements (Enclosure #29)

B. Community Bond Forum – April 17, 2006

30. Assistant Superintendent of Business

Budget Update

31. Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

A. Summer School – Physical Education

B. Spring/Summer Staff Development Opportunities for Differentiation

32. Board Representative Report

A. Parks and Recreation – Mr. Joe Camp

B. 2006-07 Tentative Board Meeting Dates – Mrs. Beth Lent (Enclosure #32B)

33. Adjournment

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