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NOTICE

A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Education will be held on **Monday, September 24, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** at the James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff, 2915 Hall Street, SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506. Phone number for information is 235-3535.

PURPOSE of the REGULAR MEETING

Recognition of:

Student Semi-Finalists in the 2007 Merit Scholarship Competition

Information Items:

Facilities Update
Foreign Language
Cadet Teaching Program

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of 8/20/07
Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of 8/27/07
Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of 9/13/07
Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of 9/18/07
Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of 9/19/07
Approval of Payment of Bills for August 2007

Other Action Items:

Approval of Bid Award for New Furniture
Approval of Cell Tower Rental
Approval of Underwriting Agreement
Approval of Architectural Agreement
Approval of Construction Management Agreement

Administrative Reports:

ASCD-LEAP Conference Report
Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Technology Coordination
Financial Update – State Aid

Board Reports:

PASE Meeting
Youth Development
Communications Committee
Policy Committee

Mr. Brian R. Ellis, President
East Grand Rapids Board of Education

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Kent County, Michigan

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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, September 24, 2007

7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Board Secretary's Report - Communications to and from the Board - Mrs. Trierweiler
3. Administration of Oath and Welcome to Newly Appointed Board Member
4. Acknowledgment of Guests
5. Public Comments
6. Recognition of Student Semifinalists in the 2007 Merit Scholarship Competition - Mr. Fisher

Background: East Grand Rapids High School has 6 semi-finalists in the National Merit Scholarship competition.

7. High School Student Council President's Report - Mr. Alex Yared
8. EGREA President's Report - Mrs. Nancy McSkimming

Presentation/Discussion:

9. Facilities Update - Mr. Camp/Mr. Phillips
10. Foreign Language - Mrs. Jenny Frazier (Enclosure #10)
11. Cadet Teaching Program - Mrs. Marlene DeBlasio (Enclosure #11)

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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 12 through 17.

12. Approval of Minutes of REGULAR MEETING of 8/20/07 (Enclosure #12)
13. Approval of Minutes of SPECIAL MEETING of 8/27/07 (Enclosure #13)
14. Approval of Minutes of SPECIAL MEETING of 9/13/07 (Enclosure #14)
15. Approval of Minutes of SPECIAL MEETING of 9/18/07 (Enclosure #15)
16. Approval of Minutes of SPECIAL MEETING of 9/19/07 (Enclosure #16)
17. Approval of Payment of Bills for August 2007 (Enclosure #17)

Other Action Items:

18. Approval of Bid Award for New Furniture (Enclosure #18)

Background: Bids were received for new furniture as part of the 2006 Bond Program. The Facilities Committee and Superintendent have received bids and recommends approval.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the contract for new furniture in the amount of \$268,040.42 as recommended by the Facilities Committee and Superintendent.

19. Approval of Cell Tower Rental (Enclosure #19)

Background: The district was approached by a firm by the name of IPC Wireless, Inc., who is interested in leasing ground space from the district so they can place equipment on the celltower owned by Sprint/Nextel. The Finance Committee and Superintendent have reviewed the plans and recommend approval of the lease.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the contract to lease ground space to IPC Wireless, Inc., as recommended by the Finance Committee and Superintendent.

20. Approval of Underwriting Agreement (Enclosure #20)

Background: Pending approval of the November 6 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.

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.

21. Approval of Architectural Agreement (Enclosure #21)

Background: The Board has worked with URS on our last three bond projects. Pending the outcome of the November 6 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.

22. Approval of Construction Management Agreement (Enclosure #22)

Background: The Board has worked with OAK on our last three bond projects. Pending the outcome of the November 6 election, we are requesting authorization to enter into a contract with OAK as recommended by the Finance Committee.

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.

Administrative Reports:

23. Superintendent

ASCD- LEAP Conference Report - Washington, D.C. (September 15-18, 2007)

24. Assistant Supt. for Instruction

Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Technology Coordination (Enclosure #24)

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25. Assistant Supt. for Business

Financial Update - State Aid

26. Board Representatives Reports

- A. PASE Meeting - Mrs. Trierweiler
- B. Youth Development - Mrs. Trierweiler
- C. Communications Committee - Mr. Edison
- D. Policy Committee - Mrs. Bok

27. Adjournment

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