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NOTICE

A **REGULAR MEETING** of the Board of Education will be held on **Monday, February 25, 2008 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:

Jennifer Schaafsma – Class B MHSAA Scholar Athlete for 2007-08

Information Items:

Transitions
Report on February Professional Development Days
Facilities Update
Fall 2007 Grades 3-9 MEAP Report

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of 1/28/08
Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of 2/11/08
Approval of Payment of Bills for January 2008
Approval of 3 New High School Courses
Approval of Foreign Exchange Student from Germany

Other Action Items:

Design Development Approval for the 2007 Bond
Second Reading and Approval of Revised Policy #7650 (Assessment Program)
Approval of March as “*Reading Incentive Month*”
Approval of an Athletic Cooperative Program Agreement

Administrative Reports:

Board Reports:

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

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***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

The James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff , 2915 Hall Street, SE

Grand Rapids, MI 49506. Phone 616-235-3535.

Monday, February 25, 2008

7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Acknowledgment of Guests
3. Public Comments
4. Board Secretary's Report Communications to and from the Board – Mrs. Trierweiler
5. High School Student Council President's Report – Mr. Alex Yared
6. EGREA President's Report - Mrs. Nancy McSkimming
7. Recognition of Jennifer Schaafsma Class B MHSAA Scholar Athlete for 2007-08 – Mr. Scott Robertson

Information Items:

8. Transitions
 - Kindergarten – Mrs. Kehm, Mr. Tompkins and Mrs. VanZegeren
 - 8th Grade Transition Day – Mrs. Fee and Mr. Stuursma
9. Report on February Professional Development Days – Mrs. Jeanne Glowicki and Mr. Doug Jenkins
10. Facilities Update – Mr. Joe Camp
11. Fall 2007 Grades 3-9 MEAP Report – Mr. Doug Jenkins

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 16.

12. Approval of Minutes of REGULAR MEETING of 1/28/08 (Enclosure #12)

13. Approval of Minutes of SPECIAL MEETING of 2/11/08 (Enclosure #13)

14. Approval of Payment of Bills for January 2008 (Enclosure #14)

15. Approval of 3 New High School Courses

Background: At the January 28, 2008 the following courses were presented to the Board for review and discussion: Public Speaking; Film Making; and Film Studies I.

16. Approval of a Foreign Exchange Student from Germany (Enclosure #16)

Background: The High School Administration recommends that foreign exchange student, Mirjam Hitzelberger, from Germany, be approved for enrollment at East Grand Rapids High School during the 2008-09 school year.

Other Action Items:

17. Design Development Approval for the 2007 Bond (Enclosure #17)

Background: URS Corporation will present the design development drawings for the 2007 Bond construction project. Following the URS presentation, Owen Ames Kimball (OAK) will present its cost estimates based on those design development drawings and discuss any variations from the cost proposals developed during the schematic design phase.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the design development drawings for the 2007 Bond construction project as presented.

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18. Second Reading and Approval of Revised Policy #7650 (Assessment Program)
(Enclosure #18)

Background: The Board had a first reading of revised Policy #7650 (Assessment Program) at the Board of Education meeting on January 28, 2008.

Recommendation: Motion to approve revised Policy #7650 (Assessment Program), as recommended by the Policy Committee and Superintendent.

19. Approval of March as "Reading Incentive Month" (Enclosure #19)

Background: The Board is asked to designate March as "*Reading Incentive Month*" in East Grand Rapids Public Schools.

Recommendation: Motion to designate March as "*Reading Incentive Month*" in the East Grand Rapids Public Schools and to encourage all students, staff members, and community members to support this program.

20. Approval of an Athletic Cooperative Program Agreement (Enclosure #20)

Background: Due to anticipated low participation numbers for Boys waterpolo for the next couple of years, a cooperative program agreement with Catholic Central High School would allow the continuation of a waterpolo team for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years.

Recommendation: Motion to approve that due to low participation numbers, the East Grand Rapids Public School District participate with Catholic Central High School in a cooperative program for boys waterpolo for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years. East Grand Rapids Public Schools will be responsible for overseeing the administration of the team.

Administrative Reports:

21. Superintendent

22. Assistant Superintendent for Business

23. Assistant Supt. of Instruction

24. Board Representative Report

25. Adjournment

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