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EAST GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Kent County, Michigan

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education

Community Board Room at the James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff
2915 Hall Street SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Thursday, July 1, 2010 - 7:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING** of the East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education, Kent County, Michigan, was held on Thursday, July 1, 2010 in the Community Board Room of the James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff, 2915 Hall St., SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Present: Mr. Brian Ellis, Mr. Steve Edison, Mrs. Stacy Trierweiler, Mrs. Julie Ridenour, Mr. Peter Ruppert, Mrs. A. Michelle Rabideau and Mr. Robert Minnema

Absent: None

Administration: Dr. Sara M. Shubel, Mr. Kevin Philipps, Mrs. Jenny Fee, Mr. Peter Stuursma, Mrs. Caroline Breault-Cannon, Mr. Doug Jenkins

Organizational Meeting Called to Order – Current President

Mr. Ellis called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Administration of Oath and Welcome to Newly Elected Board Members

Mrs. Judie Malec, Secretary to the Board and Superintendent, administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Stephen W. Edison. Mr. Edison will serve as a member of the Board of Education for East Grand Rapids Public Schools, Kent County, Michigan for a 4-year term commencing July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2014.

Election of Officers - 2010-2011

President

Mrs. Trierweiler moved that Mr. Ellis serve as President for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Minnema seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Motion passed 7-0.

Vice President

Mrs. Ridenour moved that Mr. Edison serve as Vice President for the 2010-2011 school year. Mrs. Trierweiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Motion passed 7-0.

Secretary

Mr. Edison moved that Mrs. Trierweiler serve as Secretary for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Minnema seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Motion passed 7-0.

Treasurer

Mrs. Trierweiler moved that Mrs. Ridenour serve as Treasurer for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Minnema seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. Motion passed 7-0.

Acknowledgment of Guests – None.

Public Comments – None.

Communications to and from the Board

Board Secretary, Mrs. Trierweiler, reported that the Board received a letter of congratulations from the Michigan Association of School Boards on East Grand Rapids High School being named one of the best high schools in the nation by the *U.S. News and World Report*.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Michigan Law on Conflict of Interest (PA 317 of 1968 and PA 145 of 1997)

Mr. Ellis reminded Board members if they have a conflict of interest on any item on the agenda, a notice must be given ahead of time to the President or Superintendent.

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 items in the Consent Agenda, Numbers 8 through 28.

Approval of Minutes of REGULAR MEETING of 6/14/2010 (Enclosure #8)

Second Reading and Approval of Revised Policy #3340-R (Use of District Facilities) (Enclosure #9)

Approval of Foreign Exchange Student – Fall 2010 (Enclosure #10)

Appointment of Legal Counsel (Enclosure #11)

Authorize the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent of Business to Transfer Budget Line Funds (Enclosure #12)

Designation of Depositories (Enclosure #13)

Authorize the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent of Business, and Board Treasurer to Sign Checks (Enclosure #14)

Authorize the Superintendent of Schools or his/her Designee to Hire, Accept Resignations, Approve Leaves of Absence, and to Terminate Employment for Certificated Staff (Enclosure #15)

Authorize the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent of Business to Hire, Accept Resignations, Approve Leaves of Absence, and to Terminate, When Necessary, Support Personnel (Enclosure #16)

Authorize the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent of Business to Invest Funds (Enclosure #17)

Authorize the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent of Business to Transfer Funds (Enclosure #18)

Authorize District to Utilize Electronic Transactions of Funds (Enclosure #19)

Authorize the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent of Business to Transfer Funds from the General Fund to the Food Service Fund, Athletic Fund or Student Activity Fund, and to Make Fund Modifications as Necessary (Enclosure #20)

Authorizations for Signatures on Checking Accounts (Enclosure #21)

Appointment of Auditors (Enclosure #22)

Adoption of the Summer Tax Collection (Enclosure #23)

The Board of Education needs to renew authorization of a summer tax collection.

Motion to authorize a summer tax collection as presented in Enclosure #23.

Authorization to Approve Letters of Agreement With EGREA and EGRASE (Enclosure #24)

The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Business, request that they have authorization to approve Letters of Agreement with EGREA and EGRASE.

Motion to approve the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Business have authorization to approve Letters of Agreement with EGREA and EGRASE.

Resolution for Membership in Michigan High School Athletic Association (Enclosure #25)

The Board of Education is asked to approve District Membership in the Michigan High School Athletic Association for the 2010-11 school year.

Motion to approve the Resolution to voluntarily join the Michigan High School Athletic Association from August 1, 2010, through July 31, 2011.

Approval of Board of Education Memberships and Dues (Enclosure #26)

The Board asked to have all memberships in organizations reviewed at the Organizational Meeting.

Motion to renew institutional memberships and pay the dues required as listed in Enclosure #26.

Approval for Board of Education Members to attend any or all MASB, MASA, or KIASB conferences and activities

Pre-approval is needed to attend MASB, MASA and KIASB conferences, workshops, and activities.

Motion to approve Board of Education members' attendance at MASB, MASA, and KIASB conferences, workshops, and activities.

Official Meeting Dates for the 2010-11 School Year (Enclosure #27)

See Enclosure #27.

Mr. Edison moved to authorize Board Meetings as listed in Enclosure #27. Mrs. Rabideau seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Periodicals for the Board of Education (Enclosure #28)

Last year the Board received *Phi Delta Kappan*, *Educational Leadership* (ASCD), *American School Board Journal*, and *Education Week*. The administration would like direction as to the periodicals to be ordered for 2010-11.

Board direction requested. Board members were offered subscriptions to *Phi Delta Kappan*, *American School Board Journal*, *Educational Leadership*, and *Education Week*. Board members were asked to give their forms with their requests to Mrs. Malec to complete the subscriptions.

Mrs. Trierweiler moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 8 thru 28. Mrs. Ridenour seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Superintendent

Dr. Shubel noted that continued learning opportunities are taking place over the summer. Dr. Shubel indicated that she will be working on preparing her goals for 2010-11 over the summer to present to the board at the August 30, 2010, board meeting.

Mr. Ellis reported that Dr. Shubel's goals will be adopted at the August 30, 2010, meeting.

Assistant Superintendent of Business

Mr. Philipps reported that the transparency reporting requirements are on the district website and our legal requirement has been fulfilled.

Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

None.

Board of Education Members' Report

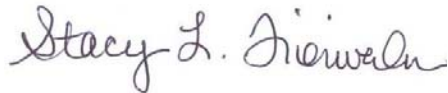
Mr. Ellis reported that the Opening Day staff meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 31 at 8:00 a.m. and encouraged all board members to attend.

Mr. Ellis asked Board members to choose which committee(s) they would like to serve on for the 2010-11 school year, with the results to be brought to the August 30, 2010, board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ellis adjourned the meeting at 7:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Stacy Trierweiler, Secretary
East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education

- * Minutes for this meeting will be available in the Superintendent's Office at 2915 Hall St. SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506. The phone number is 235-3535.
- ** If you plan to attend and have a special need and require accommodation to attend this meeting, please contact Dr. Sara M. Shubel, Superintendent, at 235-3535.

jmm 07/02/2010