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EAST GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Kent County, Michigan

SPECIAL MEETING of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education

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

Monday, January 14, 2013

MINUTES

The **SPECIAL MEETING** of the East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education, Kent County, Michigan, was held on Monday, January 14, 2013, in the Pioneer Conference Room of the James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff, 2915 Hall Street, SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Present: Brian Ellis, Bob Minnema, Steve Edison, Beth Milanowski, Susan Levine, Elizabeth Welch Lykins

Absent: Michelle Rabideau

Administration: Dr. Sara Magaña Shubel, Jeanne Glowicki, Kathy Wisniewski

Meeting Called to Order

President Ellis called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

Acknowledgment of Guests – President Ellis asked Member Welch Lykins to acknowledge her family members who attended tonight's meeting: Jenna Welch, Jerry Lykins, James Lykins, and Katherine Lykins.

Public Comments – None.

Board Secretary's Report: Communications to and from the Board – Steve Edison

The Board received a Thank You from Peter Ruppert for the gift book in appreciation of his five years of service to the EGRPS Board of Education.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

Administration of Oath to Newly Elected Board Member, Elizabeth Welch Lykins

Judie Malec, Secretary to the Board and Superintendent, administered the Oath of Office to Elizabeth Welch Lykins. Member Welch Lykins was elected at the November 6, 2012, election, and will serve as a member of the Board of Education for East Grand Rapids Public Schools, Kent County, Michigan. Elizabeth's term will run through December 31, 2016.

Recognition of East Grand Rapids Board of Education Members for School Board Recognition Month January 2013 – Dr. Shubel

Dr. Shubel recognized and thanked the board members for their dedication and all of the work they do on behalf of our community, students, and staff. A book was presented to the board members as a gift of appreciation.

Approval of Minutes of REGULAR Meeting of 12/03/2012 (Enclosure #7)

Member Minnema moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 12/03/2012 as presented in Enclosure #7. Member Edison seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Payment of Bills for December 2012 (Enclosure #8)

Member Milanowski moved to approve the Payment of Bills for December 2012 as presented in Enclosure #8. Member Welch Lykins seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Curriculum Workshop (Enclosure #9)

Kathy Wisniewski, Special Education Director, presented an in-depth update on special education and areas supported by the Special Education Department. A general discussion was held among the Board.

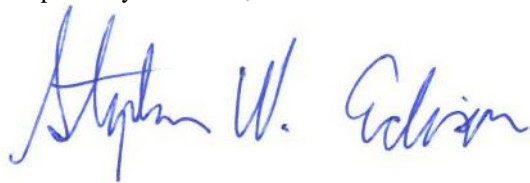
Jeanne Glowicki, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, presented an in-depth update on curriculum initiatives and areas supported by the Instruction Office for the 2012-2013 school year. A general discussion was held among the Board.

President Ellis announced the next board meeting to be held on February 4, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Board Room.

ADJOURNMENT

President Ellis adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stephen W. Edison". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Stephen W. Edison, 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.