

Hartford Public Schools  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Thursday, October 16, 2014, 7:00 p.m.  
Central Administration Office – Board Room  
Hartford, MI 49057

The Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Chambers at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Banic, Chambers, Johnson, Kuehnle, Meachum, Najacht, Summerhill

Member absent:

Others present: Superintendent Andy Hubbard, Mike Hallgren, Joel Messenger, Brad Geesaman, Ed Dickenson

Debbie Galvan, Nancy Larsson, Lynn Buchkowski, Laura Bloom, Jennifer Harger, Donna Hillman, Sarah Hall

Motion by Najacht seconded by Summerhill to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2014 Business Meeting, October 2, 2014 Work Study and October 2, 2014 Special Meeting.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Najacht seconded by Banic to adopt the agenda as presented.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Johnson seconded by Meachum to approve Payroll Vouchers #11672 for September 19, 2014, totaling \$425,647.81, Payroll Voucher #11673 for October 3, 2014 totaling \$332,203.90 and Warrant Voucher #11674 for October 2014 bills totaling \$125,508.45.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Summerhill, seconded by Meachum to hire Jennifer Harger for the first grade teaching position at Red Arrow Elementary at Step 1BA for the 2014-15 school year.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Meachum, seconded by Najacht to approve the Separation Agreement and Release as presented.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Meachum, seconded by Najacht, to approve Jason Meachum as the voting delegate and Bill Najacht as the alternate delegate for the 2014 MASB Delegate Assembly on November 6, 2014 in Grand Rapids.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Najacht, seconded by Meachum, to approve the conference expense reimbursement forms for Ben Chambers, Mike Banic, Lisa Johnson, Kurt Kuehnle, Jason Meachum, Bill Najacht and Tim Summerhill to attend the MASB Fall Conference in Grand Rapids as presented.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Meachum, seconded by Summerhill, to approve the policy changes to sections 1950, 2780, 4511, 4512, 5251, 5541, 6001, 7050 and 8657 of the Board Policy Book as presented.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Summerhill, seconded by Meachum, to approve the 2014 Refunding Bond Issue for the amount of \$30,004.16.  
Motion carried 7-0.

Brian Wisneski reviewed the annual audit. Generally, we have a “clean audit” and we are in good financial condition, especially working through the challenging funding circumstances.

Motion by Najacht, seconded by Kuehnlé, to approve the technology shared services agreement with VBISD for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year at a cost not to exceed \$10,055.10.

Motion by Banic, seconded by Meachum, to adopt the staff reduction resolution as presented.  
Motion carried 7-0.

#### Administrative Reports:

##### Athletics:

Reminder that Homecoming is Friday, October 17.

Soccer is playing in the District Finals on Saturday, October 18 at New Buffalo.

##### High School:

There was a College recruiting day held on October 16, there were 9 colleges represented.

AED / CPR drills were held in all four school buildings, there are two trained staff members in each building.

##### Middle School:

Mr. Messenger brought in Travis Key, former NFL football player as a motivational speaker for the middle school students.

Cindy Daines will be taking 55 Hispanic students to a conference at Michigan State University.

##### Woodside:

The 1<sup>st</sup> RIF giveaway will be happening this month, every student will be given a free book.

Woodside has partnered with the Kwings to reward students for reaching the Accelerated Reader goals.

##### Red Arrow:

Intervention program is up and running and going well.

Math nights for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will be held on Tuesdays 5:30-6:30.

President Chambers reported on the latest Bond meeting, election night coverage was organized, there will be an information table at the Homecoming game. A tailgate rally will be held at the last football game.

#### Superintendent Hubbard reported on the following:

- Mr. Mirakovits and the high school band received a “1” at the East Kentwood High School competition.
- Sandra Hahn, high school art teacher is doing a great job displaying student art pieces throughout the building, with funds received through a foundation grant.

Motion by Meachum seconded by Banic to adjourn the regular board meeting.

Motion carried 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Meachum  
Secretary