## MINUTES SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING SWARTZ CREEK COMMUNITY SCHOOLS December 11, 2017

AGENDA ITEMS
Call to Order

The Board of Education special meeting was called to order on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., in the M.S. Media Center by Brian Sepanak, Board of Education Vice-President.

Pledge to the Flag was led by Brian Sepanak, Board of Education Vice-President.

Carrie Germain-(arrived at 6:04 p.m.), Brian Sepanak, Stacey Glynn, Mike Ahearne, Lorraine Ahearne, Ken Engel-(arrived at 6:05 p.m.), Tony Paul, and Ben Mainka, Superintendent. **Members Present** 

None.

Superintendent, Ben Mainka, gave a powerpoint presentation on the current condition of Mary Crapo and what it would cost to bring the whole building up to code. Ben passed out the attached Summary for the purchase of a new building and exiting Mary Crapo. Ben talked about a plan to put our Child Development Center into the old doctor offices located at 4437 Morrish Road. This building would be renovated with GSRP funds. Our Academy would be moved to the East wing of the 400 hallway at our High School, which would be closed off from the regular High School classes, and have it's own entrance. The Academy would start in this location in the Fall of 2018. Our CDC would start in July 2018. The outside of the Mary Crapo Building, and the grounds, would be maintained, and the digital sign in front of the building would remain. The kitchen would be removed from Mary Crapo and installed in the new location at 4437 Morrish Road. The playground equipment would also be moved to the Morrish Road location for the CDC children to use.

Members Absent

Proposed Plans for the Mary Crapo Bldg.

Ben answered questions asked by people in the audience regarding the whole process.

Meeting recessed at 6:45 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 6:55 p.m. Recess Meeting Reconvened

Ben said that he would have another Special Meeting in January or February to update everyone on what is happening.

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Lisa Demankowski and Terry Gill from NJB Architects, Inc., gave a brief report on the Facility Study they conducted in each building and the Athletic Facilities at Swartz Creek Community Schools over the Summer months 2017. Each Board member received a notebook of the Facility Study with a snapshot of every building and the conditions at the time they did the study along with the parking lots and roof repairs.

NJB Architecture Facility Study

Melissa Neal thanked Ben Mainka for doing a thorough Facility Study in the District. "It's really appreciated."

**Public Comments** 

Carrie Germain thanked Ben for all his hard work on this. "The Board will be voting this Wednesday night on the purchase of the building on Morrish Road. Ben very quickly got out in front of this when we learned we were going to have some issues at Mary Crapo. He became very creative and contacted a lot of people, talked to the Board members, and he went out into the Community to see what the climate was. We were all concerned about Mary Crapo since we are just 10 years away from Mary Crapo being a historic building. We had a chance to go through the building last week. I had no idea how big this building was inside. It looks small from the outside, but once you are in there and can look past all the examination rooms and the office in the front, it's huge. It's a great opportunity for our children to have a nice building right off the expressway with a nice playground."

Comments from the Board

Brian Sepanak thanked Lisa and Terry from NJB Architects and all the work they did on the Facility Study.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Adjournment

Stacey Glynn, Secretary Board of Education

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**Swartz Creek Community Schools** 

Date Approved



## **Executive Summary for Purchase of New Building and Exiting Mary Crapo**

Swartz Creek Community Schools' vision has always been to provide a world class education through innovative experiences while developing the unique talents of our learners. We believe in a culture of learning and that our students, staff, and community deserve the best environment to do so. Because our preschool programs and alternative education programs are essential to our district, we continually reassess our facilities and resources to make sure they match the same level of excellence we have in our curriculum and instruction. In the past three months, we have come to the conclusion that our Mary Crapo facility, which houses our preschool programs and Swartz Creek Academy, has become too costly for our district to maintain. Below is a cost-analysis of our proposed plan for these two programs and where we intend to operate them.

Mary Crapo Expenses	
Total Utilities and Maintenance Operating Expenses	\$117,000.00
Upcoming Repairs and Updgrades	
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Total Estimated Cost of Upcoming Needed Work at Mary Crapo	\$508,550.00
Total Expenses for Keeping Mary Crapo Open	\$625,550.00
New Child Development Center Expenses	
Total Estimated Utilities and Maintenance Operating Expenses	\$25,300.00
Rennovation Costs and Upgrades	\$225,000.00
Building Purchase	\$250,000.00
Total Expenses for New Child Development Center	\$500,300.00
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New Academy Renovation Expenses  Total Renovation Expenses and Upgrades	\$128,000.00
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Total Estimated Cost of New Child Development Center and New Academy Wing	\$628,300.00
Estimated Annual Savings for the 2018-19 School Year and Beyond	\$91,700.00
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