

**FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 9, 2006**

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The regular meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held on Monday evening, January 9, 2006 in the elementary media center.

Board President Beth Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Pat Thompson, Anne Tompkins, James Yoder, Chris Neff, Joel Yoder,  
Anthony Fortin, and Beth Miller

ABSENT: None

**II. Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved by Board consensus.

**III. Consent Agenda**

Neff/Thompson That the following items be included in the Consent Agenda and be accepted as presented:

- A. Minutes: December 12, 2005 regular Board meeting minutes
- B. Treasurer's Reports
  - Cash Receipts reports for General Fund, 1998 Debt Retirement Fund, and Sinking Fund
  - General Fund Accounts Payable, which include payrolls of \$141,883.66, bills to be ratified of \$77,282.71, and bills to be paid of \$17,086.06, totaling \$236,252.43
  - Sinking Fund Accounts Payable of \$1,603.72
- C. Administrative written reports

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0 Motion carried.

**IV. Public Comment**

Leslie Green, Junior class sponsor, reported that ticket sales for the car raffle are going well, with \$4,400 on deposit.

**V. Curriculum Spotlight**

Peggy Fortin, co-chair of the PA 226 Sex Education Committee, presented information on the committee's work and requested approval for three additions to the curriculum. The proposed additions are 1) new 6th-grade curriculum: Taking Charge—*Choosing the Best WAY*, 2) new 8th-grade curriculum: HIV, AIDS and other STDs, Michigan Model for Comprehensive School Health Education, and 3) new High School curriculum: *Choosing the Best Life*.

The Board gave tentative approval for implementation of the 8th-grade curriculum in January, with formal action to be taken at the February meeting.

**VI. Administrative Reports**

**A. Superintendent's Report**

The report is included. In celebration of School Board Recognition Month, bottles of water and certificates of appreciation were distributed.

**B. Principal's Report**

The report is included.

**VII. Board Committee Reports**

The Finance committee met on December 19, 2005 and again on January 4, 2006. Board members received a copy of minutes from each meeting.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Sale of Shop Equipment**

Mr. Poellet has contacted Let's Talk Auction about including selected shop equipment and other unused or obsolete property in one of their auctions.

**B. Sale of Bus #90**

Vendors have been invited to submit bids and a notice has been posted in the Herald. Bids are due at 3:30 p.m. on February 10, 2006.

**C. Middle School Curricular Change**

At the December 12, 2005 Board meeting, Mr. Poellet and Mr. Handrich presented information on the Middle School Concept. Parents present at the meeting were given opportunity for questions and input and the Board delayed action until the January meeting to provide opportunity for parents to present additional questions.

No further parental input was received since the December meeting. The location of the Middle School has not been determined. The middle school concept will not impact the make-up of elementary grades.

Neff/Thompson      That the Middle School Curricular Change be accepted as presented.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**D. Action Plan Update**

Mr. Nelson reported on the following items:

1. Proposed staffing outline
2. High School Reform, which will drive much of what we will do.
3. Future Planning Minutes were included for the Board's information
4. Expand the use of NovaNet as a course resource. Ms. Shumaker will present information on NovaNet during the February Curriculum Spotlight.
5. Implement Middle School Concept, which was approved by the Board.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS**

**A. HSA Proposal for Non-represented Group**

An overview of SET Benefits was presented at the December 12, 2005 Board meeting and Allan Bierlein, our agent from SEG/SEG, presented information and answered questions on December 15, 2005. Mr. Nelson presented information on the proposal that the Finance Committee considered and is now recommending that the Board adopt as presented.

Yoder, James/  
Thompson

That the Non-represented Group be placed on a health Savings Account (HSA) as presented by the Finance Committee.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**B. HSA Proposal for Represented Groups**

The Finance Committee also considered information relative to the HSA Proposal for the represented groups: Fairview Teachers’ Association-American Federation of Teachers’ Michigan (FTA-AFTM) and Fairview Federal of School Related Personnel. The committee recommended that the Represented Groups be informed of the Board’s intent to place the groups on a Health Savings Account (HSA).

Thompson/  
Yoder, James

That the Represented Groups be informed of the Board’s intent to place the groups on a Health Savings Account (HSA) as presented by the Finance Committee.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**C. Progress on Shop Proposals**

Information will be presented as it becomes available.

**D. 2005-2006 Budget Amendments**

The Finance Committee reviewed the changes and recommended that the amendments be approved as presented.

Neff/Yoder, James

That the 2005-2006 General Fund Revenue Budget be amended from \$3,007,803 to \$3,038,172 and that the General Fund Expenditure Budget be amended from \$3,347,376 to \$3,332,509.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

A copy of the amended budget shall be part of the permanent record of minutes.

**X. NEW BUSINESS—DISCUSSION ITEMS AND DATES**

**A. Candidates for Board Positions**

The terms of Anthony Fortin, Pat Thompson, and Anne Tompkins expire in 2006. The first two Board positions will be four-year terms, ending in 2010. The third position will be a two-year term to fill the remainder of Galyn Troyer’s term, ending in 2008. The deadline for filing petitions with the County Clerk is February 7, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.

**B. Standing Committee Meeting Dates**

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| 1. | Policy Review: | January 17, 2006 | 6:00 p.m. |
| 2. | Finance:       | January 25, 2006 | 7:00 p.m. |

**C. Work Session Date(s)**

A work session to consider future planning and fiscal matters of the district will be set at the February meeting after the Finance Committee has met in January.

**XI. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments**

Board Comments:                    There were none.

Communications:                --Several staff members and a volunteer “grandma” thanked the Board for remembering them at Christmas.  
   --ABC’s for Parents submitted a Winter 2006 Schedule.

Closing Public Comments:    There were none.

The president adjourned the meeting 8:16 p.m.

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Chris Neff, Secretary