

**FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2008**

The special meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held on Wednesday evening, January 16, 2008 in the High School Media Center.

President Beth Miller called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and roll call was taken.

PRESENT: Chris Neff, Joel Yoder, Anne Tompkins, Diana Danhoff, James Yoder, and Beth Miller

ABSENT: None

II. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by Board consensus.

III. Public Comment

Mr. Ray Poellet requested that the Board reconsider their decision of Monday night concerning sharing guidance counselor services with Atlanta Community Schools. At that meeting, the Board did not approve sharing services with Atlanta.

IV. Sharing Guidance Counselor Services with Atlanta Community Schools

Mr. Rick Handrich, Fairview's Guidance Counselor, updated the Board on the time he has spent at Atlanta Community Schools. He has been there several weeks for one day per week.

He informed the Board that he believes the arrangement will work if he receives help in three areas:

1. NovaNet
2. Independent Studies/Dual Enrollment
3. Work Experience

If his duties are shifted to a paraprofessional and he receives help in the areas noted, this may provide additional time for him to perform the things he does not presently have time to do.

Atlanta may have some resources we could share in the future. Will the chance to share services be presented again with Atlanta if this plan is not implemented?

Yoder, Joel/Neff That we contract with Atlanta Community Schools to permit them to use the services of Mr. Rick Handrich one (1) days per week for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year. The matter is to be revisited in May 2008 for budget purposes of the 2008-09 school year.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

IV. Board Vacancy

Mr. Gene Wysocki verbally resigned his Board position at the regular Board meeting held on Monday evening, January 14, 2008. He reiterated his decision on Tuesday, January 15, 2008.

Tompkins/Neff That the January 14, 2008 verbal resignation of Gene Wysocki from the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education be accepted.

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

According to Board Policy No. 1030, Board Position Vacancies, the following procedures shall be used by the Board in filling the vacancy:

1. The Board President makes the vacancy known through public announcements in the news media.
2. The Board establishes the deadline for consideration for appointment.
3. The Board establishes criteria for appointment.
4. The Board sets the date for screening applicants, which must be done in public session.
5. The Board sets the date for interviews, which must be done in public session.

The vacancy will be made known through The Oscoda County Herald, Fairview Area Schools' website, and elementary Wednesday folders. The notice will run in The Oscoda County Herald until appointment deadline. The deadline for filing interest in the position was set for 12:00 noon on February 8, 2008. The Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2008 to screen and interview candidates and then make an appointment to fill the Board vacancy.

The president adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Chris Neff, Secretary