# FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING JANUARY 14, 2013

The annual organizational/regular meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held on Monday evening, January 14, 2013 in the elementary media center.

# I. Reorganization and Committee Appointments

## A. <u>Temporary Chairman</u>

Beth Miller, who served as President of the Board in 2012 and continues as a member of the Board, opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and served as temporary chairman.

## B. New and Re-Elected Members

The temporary chairman appointed Merianne Tappan as temporary secretary for roll call.

PRESENT: Beth Miller, Chris Neff, Randy Shantz, Merianne Tappan, and Anne Tompkins

ABSENT: Diana Danhoff, Kirk Peterson

Anne Tompkins and Kirk Peterson were re-elected to the Board at the November 2012 election. Their "Affidavit of Acceptance, Eligibility, and Oath of Office" certificates were available at the Board table.

Neff/Shantz That the "Affidavit of Acceptance, Eligibility, and Oath of Office" certificates of

Anne Tompkins and Kirk Peterson be received, and that they be recognized as

members of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education.

Ayes -5; Nays -0 Motion carried.

## C. <u>Election of Officers</u>

Nominations for the offices of president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer were received.

Neff/Tompkins That Beth Miller be nominated for president, that the nominations cease, and that

a unanimous vote be cast.

Ayes -5; Nays -0 Motion carried.

Tompkins/Shantz That Chris Neff be nominated for vice president, that the nominations cease, and

that a unanimous vote be cast.

Ayes -5; Nays -0 Motion carried.

Miller/Shantz That Diana Danhoff be nominated for secretary, that the nominations cease, and

that a unanimous vote be cast.

Ayes -5; Nays -0 Motion carried.

Miller/Shantz That Anne Tompkins be nominated for treasurer, that the nominations cease, and

that a unanimous vote be cast.

Ayes -5; Nays -0 Motion carried.

# D. Regular Meetings – Board of Education

Board Policy No. 1100 states that the Board shall adopt a regular monthly meeting schedule setting forth the dates, times and places of the meetings. Board Policy No. 1120 states in part: .... "The Board shall hold at least one regular meeting each month. A notice of the regular meeting and other scheduled open meetings shall be posted at the entrance to the principal office of the Board, and other locations determined appropriate by the Board, within ten (10) days of its organizational meeting."

Neff/Tappan That the regular monthly meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of

Education be held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the

elementary media center.

Ayes -5; Nays -0 Motion carried.

#### E. <u>Conflict of Interest Policy</u>

The president requested that Board members review Policy No. 1800—<u>Board Member Conflict of Interest, Ethics and Responsibilities</u>. The policy was made available for review.

# F. <u>Committee Appointments</u>

By Board policy, the Superintendent is a defacto member of all Board committees. **Only Board members have voting rights on Board committees**. The president appointed the following committees for 2013:

Negotiations: Kirk Peterson, chair; Beth Miller; and Diana Danhoff

Alternate: Merianne Tappan

Finance: Beth Miller, chair; Kirk Peterson; and Merianne Tappan; with Mary

Jo Green. Alternate: Randy Shantz

<u>Policy Review</u>: Anne Tompkins, chair; Merianne Tappan; and Diana Danhoff

Alternate: Chris Neff

School Improvement: Diana Danhoff and Merianne Tappan

Alternate: Beth Miller

Building/Maintenance: Chris Neff, chair; Anne Tompkins; and Randy Shantz; with John

Wilson. Alternate: Kirk Peterson

## II. School Board Appreciation Month

Mr. Ricketson commended the Board on the great job they are doing and presented each Board member with a lapel pin and certificate of appreciation.

# III. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by Board consensus with the addition of Item **B.** <u>Letter of Resignation</u> and Item **C.** <u>North Star Merger</u> under **X.** <u>NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS</u>.

## IV. Consent Agenda

Tompkins/Neff

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

- A. December 10, 2012 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 for December 2012, which include payrolls of \$127,031.51, bills to be ratified of \$44,057.56 and bills to be paid of \$53,631.21, totaling \$224,720.28.
- C. Administrative written reports

### V. <u>Public Comment</u> - None

# VI. Administrative Reports

Mr. Ricketson added the following to his Superintendent's Report:

1. The district should know very soon if we have been chosen to give the Balanced Assessment Prototype.

#### VII. Board Committee Reports - None

#### VIII. PRESENTATION - Focus School Update

Mr. Ricketson provided information to update the Board on the status of the District's designation as Focus School.

## IX. OLD BUSINESS – None

#### X. NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS

#### A. TSIP Distribution

According to the FTA-AFTM Contract, the Teaching Staff Insurance Pool (TSIP) previously used to help cover the cost of health care premiums and insurance cost-sharing has been discontinued. All claims have been paid and the remaining funds in the TSIP account are to be divided between eligible employees and deposited into a 403(b) account as an employer-paid contribution. The final distribution in the amount of \$1,194.67 per eligible employee has been approved by the union and awaits Board approval.

Neff/Shantz

That the remaining funds in the Teaching Staff Insurance Pool (TSIP) be divided among eligible employees and distributed as defined in the current FTA-AFTM Contract.

Ayes 
$$-5$$
; Nays  $-0$ 

#### B. Letter of Resignation

A letter of resignation was received from Ms. Robbie Handrich effective immediately.

Neff/Tappan That Robbie Handrich's letter of resignation be accepted.

Ayes 
$$-5$$
; Nays  $-0$  Motion carried.

# X. <u>NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS, (Con't.)</u>

# C. North Star League Merger Update

Mr. Ricketson provided an update on the tentative merger of the North Star League and the Huron Shores Conference and makes the following recommendation:

Neff/Shantz

That the Board accept Alcona, Oscoda, Rogers City and Whittemore-Prescott, in to the North Star League effective the 2013-2014 school year.

Ayes -5; Nays -0

Motion carried.

# XI. NEW BUSINESS—DISCUSSION ITEMS AND DATES

#### A. Standing Committee Meetings

1. Policy Review

3. Building/Maintenance

2. Finance

4. Negotiations

# XII. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments

Board Comment: Members had a discussion regarding how to handle parent notification,

communication, and crowd control during an emergency situation. Mr. Ricketson recently met with the county emergency management team and

discussed such protocols.

Communications: None

Public Comment: None

President Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Diana Danhoff, Board Secretary