

**FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 12, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held Monday evening, August 12, 2013 in the elementary school media center.

Board President Beth Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Beth Miller, Chris Neff, Randy Shantz, Merianne Tappan, Anne Tompkins, and Herb Trader (8:00 p.m.)

ABSENT: Diana Danhoff

I. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved by Board consensus.

II. Consent Agenda

- Tompkins/Neff That the following items be included in the Consent Agenda and be accepted as presented:
- A. June 24 special meeting, July 8 regular meeting, August 1 special meeting minutes
 - B. Treasurer's Reports
 - Cash Receipts reports for General Fund, 1998 Debt Retirement Fund, and Sinking Fund
 - General Fund Accounts Payable for July 2013, which include payrolls of \$97,325.09, bills to be ratified of \$50,161.13, and bills to be paid of \$105,059.69, totaling \$252,545.91.
 - D. Administrative written reports

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

- III. Public Comment** Becky Sullivan presented a list of concerns to the Board from Shawn Sullivan. Mr. Ricketson will respond via written correspondence within the next few weeks.

Mr. Bob Madison from the Economic Development Alliance of Oscoda County addressed the Board about the ACHIEVES program and expressed his desire to find ways to make the initiative sustainable. He would like the Board to collect feedback concerning the program from parents, students, the community, etc. and would like to opportunity to return in a few months to follow up.

IV. Administrative Reports

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

1. The crew from Variety Floors is working hard to replace the flooring throughout the school.
2. Teacher evaluations are no longer a negotiable item according to new legislation. The new evaluation tools need to be driven by board policy instead of union contract. Mr. Ricketson is awaiting guidance from the State and will provide updates as necessary.

V. Board Committee Reports

The Building/Maintenance Committee met July 8, 2013. Minutes were available for review.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Policies 7630 & 9300 / Second Reading

The Policy Committee met June 17, 2013 and revised several Board policies to include new State requirements. Policies #7630 Graduation Requirements and #9300 Tobacco Products On/In District Premises are presented for a second reading and approval.

Neff/Tompkins That Policy #7630 Graduation Requirements be approved as amended.
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0 Motion carried.

Neff/Tompkins That Policy #9300 Tobacco Products On/In District Premises be approved as amended.
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0 Motion carried.

B. Technology Bond Ballot Language

Thrun Law Firm has provided ballot language relative to the technology bond proposition to be submitted to voters at the regular election on Tuesday, November 5, 2013.

Neff/Shantz * See Attachment A – Regular School Election Resolution / Ballot Proposal
Ayes – 4; Nays – 1 (Tompkins) Motion carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS

A. Letter of Resignation

Mrs. Deb Peterson submitted a letter of resignation from her position as paraprofessional effective July 1, 2013.

Shantz/Neff That Deb Peterson’s letter of resignation be accepted as presented.
Ayes – 4; Nays – 1 (Tappan) Motion carried.

B. Annual Report

The 2012-2013 Annual Report is available for review and approval.

Shantz/Neff That the 2012-2013 Annual Report be approved for distribution.
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0 Motion carried.

C. Support Staff Contract

The Board has received a copy of the 2013-2016 support staff contract revisions for review. The contract was ratified by the Support Staff on July 10, 2013.

Neff/Tappan That the Fairview Federation of School-Related Personnel contract for 2013-2016 be approved as ratified by the support staff.
Ayes – 5; Nays – 0 Motion carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS—ACTION ITEMS, (Con't.)

D. Coaching Assignment

Mr. Handrich presented the following coaching assignment for Board approval:

Tompkins/Tappan That Naomi Clouse be approved as voluntary junior high girls basketball coach for the 2013-2014 season.

Ayes – 5; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

Mr. Trader joined the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

E. Seat-Time Waiver

A seat-time waiver is needed in order for the district to participate in the Great Lakes Online Education Program. Mr. Ricketson presented information regarding the program and the waiver.

Tappan/Tompkins * See Attachment B – Seat Time Waiver Resolution

Ayes – 6; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS—DISCUSSION ITEMS AND DATES

A. Athletics Schedule

Mr. Handrich presented information to the Board regarding a tentative athletics schedule. This new schedule will require a few Wednesday games. Mr. Handrich solicited the opinion of the Board concerning the Wednesday schedule. The Board understands that an occasional Wednesday game is necessary but asked that, when scheduling, to please try and respect Wednesdays as family day and schedule the least amount of games as possible on that day.

B. Board Stipend

The Board discussed reinstating stipends for Board members. This may be addressed as an action item at a future meeting.

C. Standing Committee Meeting Dates

1. Negotiations - Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.
2. Work Session – Thursday, August 15, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. at Anne’s house

IX. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments

Board Comment:

Merianne Tappan informed the Board of a town meeting concerning fiber optic line coming to the area. The meeting will be held Thursday, August 15, 2013 at 8:00 p.m. at the Mio Community Center.

IX. Board Comments, Communications, and Closing Public Comments, (Con't.)

Board Comment: Randy Shantz spoke with the Superintendent from Atlanta Schools and wondered if there was any chance of Fairview students joining the Building Trades class in Atlanta. Currently Fairview students are currently involved in the Mi-Fair program, but Mr. Handrich will check with Mr. Haskin about the Building Trades class.

Communication: None

Closing Public Comment: None

X. CLOSED SESSION

A. Contract Negotiations – Parameters/Strategies

The Board voted to go into closed session to discuss FTA contract negotiations and return to open session for resolutions and adjournment.

The Board moved to Closed Session at 8:35 p.m. and reconvened to Open Session at 9:15 p.m.

President Miller adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Diana Danhoff, Board Secretary