

APPROVED
MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD
MEETING
10.12.2015

A regular meeting of the Essexville-Hampton Board of Education was held on Monday, October 12, 2015, in the Jaffe Administration Building, 303 Pine Street, Essexville, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Martin at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE RECITED

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

- Members Present

John Martin, David Lovely, Charles Rochow, Jill Urban, Joseph Pergande, Dean Verhaeghe and Student Representative Jessica Hurley

- Members Absent

Michael O'Neill (excused)

ALSO PRESENT

Matt Cortez, Lori Flippin, Laura Schmidt, Janel Blair, Lea Tollefsrud, Randy Morse, Nancy Frye, Bonnie Middleton, Melissa Smith, Nate Cholger, Krystal Hoernlein, Jon Jeczmonka, Chad Newton, Carrie King, Steve Barlow, Mike Leppek, Tony Brey, Kate Gaiser

ADDITIONAL ITEMS
FROM BOARD / SUPT.

None

STATEMENTS FROM
THE AUDIENCE

None

MINUTES
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Moved by Rochow, supported by Verhaeghe, to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting held September 14, 2015 as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Martin, Lovely, Rochow, Urban, Pergande, Verhaeghe

No: None

TREASURER'S
REPORT
ACCEPTED

Moved by Lovely, supported by Verhaeghe, to approve the treasurer's report as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Lovely, Rochow, Urban, Pergande, Verhaeghe, Martin

No: None

EXPENDITURE
REVIEW
COMMITTEE
REPORT
APPROVED

Moved by Urban, supported by Lovely, to approve the Expenditure Review Committee report in the amount of \$1,455,035.81 for the month of September 2015 as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Rochow, Urban, Pergande, Verhaeghe, Martin, Lovely

No: None

CASH FLOW
STATEMENT
APPROVED

Moved by Pergande, supported by Verhaeghe, to approve the Cash Flow Statement as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Urban, Pergande, Verhaeghe, Martin, Lovely, Rochow

No: None

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE
REPORT**

Student representative Jessica Hurley reported on the following:

1. A special election was held by the Student Council.
2. "Blue Crew" shirts are now for sale during lunch.
3. Magnets have been distributed to the freshman with the "Top 10 things to Know About the Garber Dukes."
4. Powder Puff and the bonfire are taking place tonight.
5. Homecoming is this Saturday and the theme is "Fairytale Storybook."
6. A teacher buddy system has been implemented to improve student teacher relations.

**2014-2015
AUDIT REPORT**

Randy Morse from the auditing firm of Andrews, Hooper and Pavlik presented the 2014-2015 annual audit. The audit was presented in draft format because the firm is still waiting on the State of Michigan to provide numbers on the retirement liability disclosure. The final statements will be brought to the board for acceptance at November's meeting, but Mr. Morse was pleased to report that the district for the 2014-2015 year, was no longer in deficit.

**OUT-OF-STATE
TRAVEL REQUEST
BASEBALL/SOFTBALL
TRIP**

Jon Jeczmonka has submitted a request for approval for Garber baseball/softball students to travel to Fort Meyers, Florida for spring training from March 27 – April 1, 2016.

Moved by Lovely, supported by Urban, to approve the out-of-state travel request for Garber students to travel to Fort Meyers, Florida for spring training.

Roll Call: Yes: Pergande, Verhaeghe, Martin, Lovely, Rochow, Urban

No: None

**SUMMER TAX
RESOLUTION
APPROVED**

Each year the board passes a resolution that imposes a summer tax levy to collect 100% of school property taxes.

It was the recommendation of administration that the board approve the resolution as written.

Moved by Pergande, supported by Rochow, to approve the summer tax resolution as written.

Roll Call: Yes: Verhaeghe, Martin, Lovely, Rochow, Urban, Pergande

No: None

**PURCHASE OF
BUS CAMERAS
APPROVED**

Moved by Urban, supported by Lovely, to approve the purchase of bus cameras for \$13,630.

Roll Call: Yes: Martin, Lovely, Rochow, Urban, Pergande, Verhaeghe

No: None

**RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED**

Moved by Pergande, supported by Verhaeghe, to accept the resignation of James Miller as presented.

Roll Call: Yes: Lovely, Rochow, Urban, Pergande, Verhaeghe, Martin

No: None

**SUPERINTENDENT
GOALS FOR
2015-2016
DISCUSSED**

Superintendent Cortez provided the board with a copy of his goals for the 2015-2016 school year. The key goal areas are as follows: (1) curriculum; (2) bond/sinking fund; (3) staff/community relationship; (4) fiscal responsibility; and (5) district-wide succession planning. There were some recommendations from the board that Mr. Cortez wanted to add to his goals and bring back for approval in November.

STATEMENTS
FROM BOARD/
ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Cortez gave a shout out to the technology department for all their hard work and countless hours that made the Chromebook roll out such a success.

STATEMENTS
FROM PUBLIC

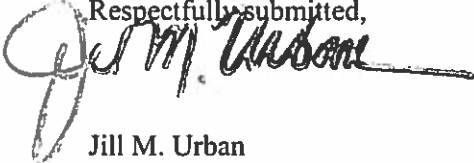
Nate Cholger addressed the board.
Carrie King addressed the board.
Laura Schmidt addressed the board.
Tony Brey addressed the board.

ADJOURN

Moved by Pergande, supported by Verhaeghe, to adjourn.

Voice Vote: All Ayes

President Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill M. Urban
Secretary