



BOARD BRIEFS

July 11, 2005

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OATH OF OFFICE

The oath of office was administered to re-elected trustee Joan Dindoffer and newly elected trustee Alice Kosinski.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Board elected the following officers for 2005-2006: Jeff Broderick, President; Lisa Vreede, Vice President; Angela Kennedy, Secretary; and Joan Dindoffer, Treasurer.

COMPENSATION

The Board voted to forgo compensation for 2005-2006 so that those funds can be used for a purpose to be determined at a later date.

MEMBERSHIPS

The Board approved renewal of memberships in the Metro Bureau of Detroit (\$3,154.13 based on student enrollment), the Michigan Association of School Boards (\$7,140), and the Michigan High School Athletic Association (no cost).

DESIGNATED AGENTS

The Board approved Janet Truance as the designated agent responsible for posting notices of Board meetings, with Mary Fritz as first alternate and Joan Smith as second alternate.

INDEMNIFICATION

The Board approved a resolution for general liability indemnification for trustees, administrators, and non-instructional supervisory personnel, as well as asbestos indemnification for the same employees. The Board also named Christian Fenton, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Support Services, as Designated Asbestos Coordinator and indemnified him.

LEGAL SERVICES

The Board appointed Mark McInerney of the firm of Clark Hill as general legal counsel to the school system for the 2005-2006 school year at a rate of \$200 per hour. The Board

also appointed Gary King of Keller Thoma (\$185 an hour for senior partners, \$135-\$170 for associates) and Bill Albertson of Thrun Law Firm ((\$205 for senior partners, \$150-\$180 for associates) as special counsels for labor relations.

BONDS

The Board authorized fidelity bonds and a treasurer's surety bond in the amounts of \$600,000 for employees involved in daily business transactions.

FUNDS, ACCOUNTS, SIGNATORIES

The Board approved the continuation of funds, accounts, and related signatories as in previous years.

SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM

The Board called for public comments about the resolution regarding the school breakfast program, which will be acted on at the August 15 regular Board meeting.

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

The Board approved the appointment of Gloria Hinz as principal of Ferry Elementary School; Judy Olkowski as Administrative Assistant, Community School; and three instructional staff members to various special education positions. In addition, the report included lists of hourly summer workers for Camp o' Fun, the student residency program, the summer school program, and the summer maintenance program. The retirements of Pamela Lemerand, Janet Watt, Ruth Barrett-Cook, John Nowosad, and Rod Scott were also noted.

CAFETERIA BID

The Board approved the Sodexo bid for cafeteria operations for 2005-2006 starting in September 2005. The bid guarantees a return of \$111,066 for the 2005-2006 school year.

STRATEGIC PLAN

The Board approved the mission, vision, guiding principles, and indicators of success for the revised Strategic Plan.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- Jeff Broderick discussed the procedure for filling the Board vacancy resulting from the resignation of Joan Richardson.
- Updates were provided regarding construction projects and revenue enhancement.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A work session of the Board will be held on Monday, August 8, 2005, at 5:30 p.m., following by a conference Board meeting at 8 p.m. The regular meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, August 15, at 8 p.m. in the Maire Elementary School gymnasium.
- Dates of additional meetings can be found at www.gpschools.org/newpub/agendas.htm.