

Grosse Pointe Board of Education Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 20, 2013 MultiPurpose Room, Brownell Middle School 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Dindoffer called the regular meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Board members present: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Roeske.

Also Present: Superintendent Harwood and Deputy Superintendents Dean and Fenton

II. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA FOR MAY 20, 2013

It was Moved by: Trustee Gafa Supported by: Trustee Pangborn

THAT the Board Agenda for Monday, May 20, 2013 be adopted as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Administration of Oath of Office for New Board Trustee

Dr. Harwood administered the Oath of Office to new Board Trustee Brian Summerfield. Board members congratulated Mr. Summerfield and welcomed him to the Board.

B. Recognition of Student Entering Military Service

Trustee Summerfield joined Superintendent Harwood in welcoming and congratulating district students as they were introduced to the audience. Dr. Harwood shared the names and branch of military service those students would be entering after graduation. North students include: Anessa Adams, U. S. Air Force; Damon Barbee, Jr., U. S. Air Force; Brendan Keelan, U. S. Navy; Conor Marshall, U. S. Marines; and Ilexis Mustafaa, U. S. Air Force. Students from South included: Michael Aro, U.S. Air Force; Avery Duncan, U. S. Army; Joseph Farinha, U. S. Marines; Dianatre' Gibson, U. S. Marines; William Quinn, U. S. Marines; and Conor Voiles, ROTC.

C. Good News Items

Imran Nehas, a student from Maire Elementary School, won the National Sodexo Food Challenge. Imran was selected for his 'Tortilla Cup Salad' out of 107 events nationwide with 27 regional winners and then from five semifinalists chosen. Imran won as National Champion as "Future Chef" and for his healthy presentation.

United States Representative Gary Peters announced today that Grosse Pointe South High School Junior, Zoe Uznis was the winner of the Annual Art Competition for her artwork which will be displayed in the United States Capital Building with other winning pieces for one year.

In the fall, the district conducted vision and hearing screening tests on elementary students. It is through this joint process and initiative by the district and Wayne County RESA that these tests are conducted which helps parents plan for further testing if results show that their child has a need for additional hearing tests or vision needs.

Superintendent Harwood noted that he has attended many student events over the past several weeks. There have been many honors events in school buildings across the district, a National Honor Society Induction, art fairs and many other student accomplishments for parents, teachers and community to be proud of. He congratulated those students and all students on their successes.

On Wednesday, June 12, 2013, South High School will hold their Graduation Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. and North High School will honor their graduating seniors on Thursday, June 13, 2013. Superintendent Harwood congratulated all graduating seniors for their accomplishments throughout their school careers.

D. Legislative Update

Superintendent Harwood said that the state has determined through the Revenue Consensus Hearing that there will be additional revenue coming into the state, with the question of what the state will decide to do with the additional funding. There is concern that the monies available will be set aside and not be used for the deficit occurring in the schools across the state. The district is hoping that the money found will help offset the retirement rate and that the district will be able to use those funds for that purpose. Another point of discussion is at the State Department level regarding the implementation of the Common Core Standards and the Assessments that will occur in the 2014-15 school year. Another question arose regarding changes in the High School Graduation requirements which will include an Algebra II requirement and two years of the same foreign language requirement. The district's graduation requirements remain the same for the 2013-14 school year.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

Judy McLoughlin, Grosse Pointe City, supported the district's involvement and support of Community Campus and Full Circle.

Nick Raymond, Grosse Pointe Park, also spoke in support of the Full Circle Foundation.

George McMullen, Grosse Pointe Woods, shared his support of the proposed adult sponsor limitation regarding Board Policy 5840, Student Groups/Clubs.

Langston Bowens, Grosse Pointe Park, expressed his lack of support for the additional phrase on adult sponsors being added to Board Policy 5840, Student Groups. He is in favor of administrators, board members and other administrative faculty as sponsors for students groups and clubs. He also shared his views on the A.I.M. group and the assistant principal serving as a sponsor.

Harrison Krasner, Grosse Pointe Farms, shared his opinion on Board Policy 5840, Student Groups.

Grant Strobl, Grosse Pointe, spoke on behalf of Stephanie Zampardo, President of the Gay and Straight Alliance Group, and Policy 5840.

Allison Baker, Grosse Pointe Park, spoke in favor on the proposed clause in Policy 5840 that would eliminate the ability for building administrators, board members and other administrative personnel to be sponsors for student groups and clubs.

John Daniele, Grosse Pointe Woods, spoke about Policy 5840 and the need to replace the word "gender" with the word "sex" in the policy.

Marie Hackleman, Grosse Pointe Park, supported the version of Policy 5840 that included administrators and board members and other administrative personnel as sponsors for student clubs and groups.

Drake Lyon, Grosse Pointe, also shared his YAF group's opinion on the wording for sponsors in Policy 5840.

Donna Alford, Grosse Pointe Shores, spoke in support of the Full Circle Lease and the district's support of the Full Circle Lease.

Patricia Ament, Grosse Pointe Woods, shared her concerns about the proposed layoff and reduction of classroom assistants from special education programs.

V. ACTION ITEMS FOR MAY 20, 2013

A. Approval of Human Resources Report for May 20, 2013

Dr. Dean shared information on the Human Resources Report including the retirement of Kay Torigian after 17 years of service. He also announced one leave of absence and one resignation for personal reasons.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Jakubiec

THAT the Board approve the Human Resources report as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

B. Approval of Regular and Closed Session Minutes of May 13, 2013

It was Moved by: Trustee Gafa Supported by: Trustee Pangborn

THAT the Board approve the Regular and Closed Session Minutes of May 13, 2013 as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Navs: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

C. Approval of Resolution Honoring Retirees

Each year the Board of Education adopts a resolution to honor the service of staff members who are retiring. The Board approved the attached list of District Retirees:

Sue Banner Antoinette Lee Gary Bennett Cynthia Manetta Peter Comilla Jeanne Manzo Nannette DeCoopman Karen McLeod Deborah Dolinski Doug Merkle Beverly Forsyth Kaisa Mikkola Barbara Girgenti Cynthia Olesiak Kathleen Hilton Virginia Parsons Leann Peterson Theresa Hogan Judith Preston Allan King Nancy Kitzman Patricia Reynaert

It was Moved by: Trustee Valente Supported by: Trustee Jakubiec

THAT the Board approve the Resolution Honoring Retirees.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

D. Approval of Wayne RESA 2013-2014 Budget

Section 380.624 of the Revised School Code includes language which requires each constituent school board of Wayne RESA to participate in RESA's budget development process.

RESA must submit its proposed general fund operating budget to the board of each constituent district no later than May 1 each year.

Not later than June 1 of each year, each local school board must review the proposed budget, adopt a board resolution expressing its support for or disapproval of the proposed budget, and submit to the RESA board any specific objections and proposed changes the constituent district board has to the budget.

If the RESA board receives any specific objections or proposed changes, it must consider the proposed changes.

In the past several years the Grosse Pointe Board of Education has chosen to *acknowledge receipt* of the RESA Budget with the opportunity to provide any feedback individual Board Members wish to share.

It was Moved by: Trustee Gafa Supported by: Trustee Jakubiec

THAT the Board acknowledge receipt of the Wayne RESA 2013-2014 Budget as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

E. Approval of Board Policies (second reading)

1. Policy 5840 – Recognized Student Groups

It is the policy of the Board of Education that student groups be identified as Recognized Student Groups if they are approved by the school administration as not being illegal or harmful to students. In addition, participation in a Recognized Student Group must be available to all students who wish to attend and cannot be denied on the basis of a student's gender, religion, race, color, national origin or ancestry, age, disability, height, weight, marital status, social or economic status, and/or any other legally protected characteristic.

All student groups that meet the criteria above shall be identified as Recognized Student Groups.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Gafa

THAT the Board approve Policy 5840, Recognized Student Groups, include the phrase, "All Recognized Student Groups shall have an identified adult advisor that minimally meets the requirements for volunteers established in Policies 2430.01, 3120.09 and 4120.09 present at all meetings. Building and district administration and sitting Board of Education trustees shall not serve in the role of Recognized Student Group advisor."

For clarification, this phrase (if included in Policy 5840) would eliminate building administrators including principals and assistant principals, Central office administrators and Board members from servicing in the role of a Recognized Student Group advisor.

After extended discussion.

In a roll call vote,

Trustee Dindoffer, No Trustee Gafa, Yes Trustee Jakubiec, No Trustee Pangborn, No Trustee Roeske, Yes

Trustee Summerfield. No

Trustee Valente, Yes

The Motion to include the above additional sentence eliminating administrators and Board members from serving in the role of a Recognized Student Group advisor failed by a 4-3 vote.

It was Moved by: Trustee Pangborn Supported by: Trustee Summerfield

THAT the motion be brought forth without the additional sentence.

It was then Moved by: Trustee Jakubiec

Supported by: Trustee Valente

THAT a motion be brought forward to change the wording in Policy 5840, as requested in public comments earlier in the meeting, from "gender" to "sex".

Ayes: Trustee Jakubiec

Nays: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Motion failed by a 6-1 vote.

An original motion was on the floor to vote for the original Policy 5840 without any exclusions (thus allowing administrators and Board members to serve as Student Group sponsors).

In a roll call vote,

Trustee Dindoffer, Yes

Trustee Gafa, Yes

Trustee Jakubiec, Yes

Trustee Pangborn, Yes

Trustee Roeske, No

Trustee Summerfield, Yes

Trustee Valente, Yes

Motion carried by a 6-1 vote.

2. Policy 5112 – Entrance Age

The State of Michigan enacted new legislation regarding the entrance age of kindergartners into the public schools. Policy 5112 is the change to that law regarding that entrance age. Students must be 5 years old on or before November 1, 2013 for the next school year. The following year it moves to October 1, 2014 and after that, September 1, 2015. The parent would have a right, however, to petition the school for early enrollment if they feel their child is ready and if they turn five on or before December 1st.

Vice-President Roeske noted that this policy aligns within State guidelines.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Pangborn

THAT the Board approve Policy 5112, Entrance Age as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

F. Approval of Naming North Softball Field for Bill Taylor

Mr. Bill Taylor is a retired teacher from the district who had an extensive and successful coaching position with the district for many years. The assistant principal at South, Mr. Ben Banfield, has asked that the softball field be named in his honor. The Administration reviewed Board Policy 7250 on the timelines associated with Naming an Athletic field from the time of the initial proposal to the Board's approval at the Board's request.

It was Moved by: Trustee Gafa Supported by: Trustee Jakubiec

THAT the Board approve the Naming of the North Softball Field for Bill Taylor, former Coach.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

G. Approval of Construction Bids

1. Pierce/South/Trombly Resurfacing Parking Lot Areas

The resurfacing of the parking lot areas at Pierce, South and Trombly include: Pierce entrance and exit drives; South parking lot next to the softball diamond aka "T Lot"; and the Trombly parking lot. The work consists of:

- Mill existing parking lot and play lot asphalt at Trombly
- Installation of new asphalt in parking lot and play lot areas
- Installation of new concrete dumpster pad
- Installation of new masonry dumpster enclosure
- Removal of limited fencing
- Mill & Replacement of existing asphalt drives at Pierce M. S.
- Cap asphalt at the "T" lot at GPSHS

The three projects are being funded from the sinking fund.

It was Moved by: Trustee Jakubiec Supported by: Trustee Summerfield

THAT the Board award the Bid for the Pierce/South/Trombly Resurfacing Parking Lot Projects to S & J Asphalt Paving for \$101, 090.

Aves: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Navs: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

2. Parcells Pool Roof and North Performing Arts Center (PAC) Roof

This project involves the replacement of the Parcells pool and a small section of the GP North Performing Arts Center (PAC) roof over the lobby. The pool roof is 24 years old the GP North PAC roof is 23 years old.

The work on both projects consists of:

- Removal of the existing built up roof system
- Removal of the existing perimeter metal edge fascia
- Installation of new Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer (EPDM) roof system, a "rubber" type material that is laid in sheets
- Installation of an EPDM membrane roof and tapered insulation
- Installation of new perimeter metal edge fascia
- Replacement of a small section of the North PAC lower roof is approximately 25% of the total project.

The project is being funded from the sinking fund.

It was Moved by: Trustee Gafa Supported by: Trustee Valente

THAT the Board award the Bid for the Parcells Pool Roof and North Performing Arts Center (PAC) Roof to J. D. Chandler Roofing for \$102,191.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

3. South Slate Tile Roof

This project involves the replacement of a section of the slate tile roof on the main building at GP South High School. This is the first phase of a projected four phase project sequence. The section being replaced is the roof area closest to the Fisher Road entrance. The roof is the original slate and is 85 years old.

The work consists of:

- Removing a portion of the existing slate tile roof
- Inspecting the existing roof deck
- Installing new waterproofing membrane to the roof deck.
- Installing new slate tile roofing to match the existing.

The project is being funded from the sinking fund.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Pangborn

THAT the Board award the Bid for the South Slate Tile Roof to Royal Roofing for \$165,860.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

H. Approval of Resolution of Layoff of Non-Teaching Personnel

To align with the impact of budgetary reductions for the upcoming 2013-2014 school year, staffing reductions become necessary which result in the layoff of classroom assistants. Such layoffs are determined based on the seniority with seniority groups, anticipated student enrollment and other funding sources.

Staff reductions are from the General Education seniority group and involve employees who are assigned to All Day Kindergarten, Title I or Student Center support. In addition, Staff Reductions are also from the Special Education seniority group supporting ASD, EI and SRC classrooms.

As final student enrollment and Title I funding is determined, recall of the General Education classroom assistants being laid off is likely. In addition, when *Follow that Kid* funding through Act 18 is finalized at the beginning of the school year, the recall of the Special Education assistants is also probable. Such recalls would only occur after Board approval of a recall list.

A list of classroom assistants whose services were to be terminated by Board action was provided to the Board. Such termination would be effective at the end of the business day on June 14, 2013.

It was Moved by: Trustee Summerfield

Supported by: Trustee Roeske

THAT the Board approve the Resolution of Layoff of Non-Teaching Personnel.

In a roll call vote,

Trustees Dindoffer, Yes

Trustee Gafa, Yes

Trustee Jakubiec, Yes

Trustee Pangborn, Yes

Trustee Roeske, Yes

Trustee Summerfield, Yes

Trustee Valente, Yes

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

I. Approval of Resolution of Layoff of Teaching Personnel

To align with the impact of budgetary reductions for the upcoming 2013-2014 school year, staffing reductions become necessary which result in the layoff of teachers. Such layoffs are determined based on Board Policy 3131 within the framework of the proposed staffing needs for the upcoming year per anticipated student schedules and anticipated student enrollment.

A list of teachers whose services were to be terminated by Board action was provided. Such termination would be effective at the end of the business day on June 14, 2013.

It was Moved by: Trustee Valente Supported by: Trustee Summerfield

THAT the Board approve the resolution as presented so that necessary Teaching Personnel layoff notices may be given.

In a roll call vote,

Trustees Dindoffer, Yes

Trustee Gafa, Yes

Trustee Jakubiec, Yes

Trustee Pangborn, No

Trustee Roeske, Yes

Trustee Summerfield, Yes

Trustee Valente, Yes

Motion carried by a 6 - 1 vote.

J. Approval of G.A.A.A. #2

Mr. Fenton noted that there would be another General Amendment Appropriations Act presented in June to finalize last minute adjustments in the budget. He said that the G.A.A.A. #2 aligns with the budget and projections on the Budget Model Utility. He added that it was anticipated that the end of the year fund equity amount would be close to \$2.3 million, but final calculations resulted in a \$2 million fund equity, slightly under the projection. Complete details of the G. A. A. A. #2 are posted on the district website financial page.

It was Moved by: Trustee Gafa Supported by: Trustee Jakubiec

THAT the Board approve the General Appropriations Amendment Act 32 as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

K. Approval of Family Center Lease

The Family Center is an organization founded in 2000 in a joint effort with the Grosse Pointe Public School System. It is a separate 501c 3 organization that is located at Barnes School.

The Family Center has presented programs on topics ranging from sibling rivalry gender-specific learning needs of children, to family communication skills, and parenting skills. They provide services to parents and professionals through formal lectures and panel presentations throughout the year. They provide opportunities for parents/guardians to dialogue with one another and other professionals. They have provided advice on dealing with bullying, nutritional tips, kindergarten essentials and celebrating differences to name a few.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Gafa

THAT the Board approve the Family Center Lease as presented.

In a roll call vote.

Trustees Dindoffer, Yes
Trustee Gafa, Yes
Trustee Jakubiec, Yes
Trustee Pangborn, Yes
Trustee Roeske, Yes
Trustee Summerfield, Yes
Trustee Valente, Yes

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

L. Approval of Grosse Pointe Education Association (GPEA) Lease

This lease with the GPEA was approved to expire June 30, 2013 in the event that the room would be needed at Barnes. The space is not needed for students so it will be brought forward for another one year lease.

The for the GPEA is based on \$18.00 per square foot per month. This lease is for eight months commencing July 1, 2013 and will expire in June 2014.

It was Moved by: Trustee Jakubiec Supported by: Trustee Roeske

THAT the Board approve the Lease for the Grosse Pointe Education Association (GPEA) as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

M. Approval of Lease with Full Circle Foundation, Inc.

Three years ago the Community Classroom, through our special education services, was developed for students who were finished with a traditional high school experience and needed an opportunity to learn job skills and practice life skills off site of the high school campus. The program is currently housed at a building owned by Full Circle Foundation, Inc. on Mack near Cadieux and has proved to be a great location to teach and allow students a place to practice life/work skills while providing experience, training and learning opportunities.

The Full Circle Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit foundation that supports the Full Circle Upscale Resale store. Members of the Full Circle Foundation are Karl Kratz, Bill Mestdagh and Mary Fodell. The approved lease will provide space for the district to develop/expand more classrooms for projected new students who will also benefit from these opportunities. The Community Classroom currently serves approximately 14 students. Projections include approximately ten new students in 13-14 school year.

A lease has been provided to the Board of Education for review and has been reviewed by the district's legal counsel, Mr. McInerney. The lease would for twelve months ending June 30, 2014. The current monthly rental is \$1,500. With this lease the district is proposing a sliding scale rent based on the number of students using the program and their need for expanded square footage in the facility. This rental amount is covered under Act 18 reimbursements.

The scale proposed in the lease is as follows:

5 to 10 students - \$1,500 per month 11 to 15 students - \$2,000 per month 16 to 20 students - \$3,000 per month 21 to 25 students - \$3,500 per month 26 to 30 students - \$4,000 per month.

As the program has grown Grosse Pointe students who once travelled to Macomb Academy to receive these services are now coming to the Full Circle Foundation facility to receive this experience. The District saves money on transportation costs and increased revenue now that the students are in Grosse Pointe Public School System. The district is requesting that Board of Education approve the lease with Full Circle Foundation Inc for one year from July 1, 2013 to June 30 2014.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Gafa

THAT the Board approve the Lease with the Full Circle Foundation, Inc. as presented.

Ayes: Trustees Dindoffer, Gafa, Jakubiec, Pangborn, Roeske, Summerfield and Valente

Nays: None

Motion carried by a 7 - 0 vote.

VI. AGENDA ACTION ITEMS FOR JUNE 24, 2013

The following items will be presented to the Board for approval at the June 24, 2013 Regular meeting.

- A. Approval of Human Resources Report for June, 2013
- B. Approval of Minutes of June 17, 2013
- C. Approval of Budget for 2013-2014
- D. Approval of Board Policies (first reading)
- E. Approval of Food Services

VII. <u>INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION</u>

A. Elementary Program of Studies

The current edition of the *Elementary Program of Studies, Grades K-5 for 2013-2014* was provided to the Board for review. Revisions to the document are made annually as new curriculum is developed and implemented. Few changes have been made to this document for the 2013-2014 school year. The changes include updating the English Language Arts section to acknowledge lesson units tied to the State Common Core through the MAISA/Oakland Schools Consortium. Students will be tested on this material beginning with the 2014-15 school year. Other changes include the updating of Kindergarten Math section to show that the district will begin using Everyday Math. Also, the addition of 3rd grade Spanish to the World Languages section and revisions to the Special Education Services section to remove specifics, since that is individualized through the IEP process.

The *Elementary Program of Studies* is available on the district website. The new version can be found in the *Academic* section under *Elementary-Curriculum* at http://www.gpschools.org/.

Parents will be notified about the location of the Program of Studies through the distribution of school newsletters and notice on the building web page, as well as at Elementary Back to School Nights. Hard copies of the Program of Studies are available to parents who do not have internet access or who prefer this format. These copies are available at each school as well as at Central Office.

Trustee Pangborn recommended that Mrs. Bur remove language beginning with extended day kindergarten as well as the half-day kindergarten as it no longer is relevant.

B. Monthly Financial Report/Health Care Report

Dr. Dean provided information on the Health Care Report noting that March was an expensive benefits month due to large claims submissions.

Mr. Fenton said that the expenses to date match the Budget Model Utility. He also said that a General Appropriations Amendment Act #2 was presented to the Board and approved this evening. He anticipates another G.A.A.A. report in June that will reflect some of the overages in the counts listed on the variable report. Mr. Fenton again expressed caution about uncollected local taxes. Property tax adjustments total \$178,000 surplus. Short term borrowing was paid off in May. He also said that there should be a projected \$2.0 million fund equity balance at the end of this year.

C. Budget Development Update

Superintendent Harwood noted that Board members were provided projected enrollment figures at their places this evening. Student to teacher ratios were down as a consequence of approximately 99 students less at the elementary level. This decrease in enrollment has resulted in a decrease from 150 teachers at the elementary level to 140 teachers at that same level. Student enrollment and hiring staff are the two most critical factors in finalizing the budget while factoring in anticipated funding from Lansing. Changes in the teacher contract and health care projections are also a contributing factor to the final budget outcome. Dr. Harwood noted that 70%

of the budget revenue comes from the State Department. Mr. Fenton added that the budget numbers that are based on enrollment and staffing are calculated and must align with the Budget Model Utility computations.

Dr. Dean shared that at the secondary level, there will be little or no impact on programming other than that of student choice. Based on that fact, Chinese I is the only course being eliminated at the high school level. Chinese 2, 3 and 4 will continue with those students who have already begun that language sequence. Foreign language overall is up and all other language courses will run including French, German, Spanish, Italian and Latin.

D. Residency Update

Mr. Fenton said that he recently met with members of the Residents for Residency group and updated them on the residency re-verification status. He noted that from 239 investigations over the past year, 41 students were removed from district schools for non-residency compliance violations. Many residents are in the process of finishing the affidavit verification requirement.

E. Diplomas for World War II and Korean War Veterans (per Policy 9800)

To provide special recognition for the service and sacrifice of military veterans of World War II and the Korean War, the amended Public Act 181 of 2001 authorizes the Board of a Michigan school district to award a high school diploma to a World War II or Korean War veteran.

The law permits a WWII veteran who left a high school in our district between December 16, 1940 and December 31, 1946 for immediate military service, and not subsequently receiving a high school degree, to apply for a diploma. Korean War veterans who left high school in our district between June 27, 1950 and January 31, 1955 may also apply. Specific family members may also apply on the behalf of a living or deceased veteran.

Approximately 653,000 Michigan men and women served during WWII and approximately 220,000 Michigan men and women served during the Korean War. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs estimates about 175,000 WWII veterans and 125,000 Korean veterans currently live in Michigan.

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

- A. Regular Meeting of the Board, Monday, June 17, 2013, 7 p.m., Brownell Multipurpose Room
- B. Regular Meeting of the Board, Monday, June 24, 2013, 7 p.m., Brownell Multipurpose Room
- C. Public Hearing on the 2013-2014 Budget, June 24, 2013, 7 p.m., Brownell Multipurpose Room
- D. Public Hearing on the 2013-2014 Breakfast Program, June 24, 2013, 7 p.m., Brownell Multipurpose Room
- E. Board Policy Committee Meeting, May 29, 2013, 6 p.m., Administration Building, Board Room

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

No one came forward to speak at this time.

X. OTHER COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Trustee Jakubiec said that he felt fortunate to hear the outstanding achievements by district staff that was noted in the Superintendent's Report. He thanked those staff members for their outstanding commitment and efforts to the district.

Trustee Summerfield had no comment.

Trustee Pangborn asked Dr. Harwood and Mrs. Bur for the educational reasons that the Grosse Pointe Public School System does not offer development kindergarten and half day kindergarten to resident families.

Trustee Gafa congratulated the North and South Honor underclassmen and senior students for their outstanding achievements recognized at recent Honors Nights. She also shared that watching the production of 42nd Street was unbelievable and the talent was phenomenal. Mrs. Gafa acknowledged Nan Sabella for being nonimated "1 out of 5" *Metro Parent* Teachers of the Year in a recent publication. She also recognized those students honored this evening who are entering a branch of the military service after graduation. She thanked them for their service to their country.

Trustee Valente had no comment.

Trustee Roeske had no comment.

Superintendent Harwood acknowledged Steve Geresy and his staff for their hard work presenting Board Meetings and other district events. Their commitment allows the community to view the Board meetings in action as they occur at this evening's meeting which was "*live-streamed*" for viewers.

Dr. Harwood also highlighted the upcoming *25 Year Employee and Retiree Reception* being held on June 4, 2013 in Clemenson Hall to honor those staff members that have worked twenty-five years and those who have decided to retire at the end of this school year. He also congratulated graduates from both North and South High Schools who would be receiving diplomas on Wednesday, June 12th for South students, and Thursday, June 13th for North students. Both commencement exercises begin at 6:30 p.m.

XI. MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS

President Dindoffer called for a motion to move into a closed session.

It was Moved by: Trustee Roeske Supported by: Trustee Pangborn

THAT the Board move into Closed Session to Discuss Negotiations.

In a roll call vote,

Trustee Dindoffer, Yes Trustee Gafa, Yes

Trustee Jakubiec, Yes

Trustee Pangborn, Yes

Trustee Roeske, Yes

Trustee Summerfield, Yes

Trustee Valente, Yes

Motion to Move into Closed Session at 10:11 p.m. carried by a 7 – 0 vote.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting will be formally adjourned after the Closed Session.

Lois Valente, Board Secretary	