

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
GLADSTONE AREA SCHOOLS
400 SOUTH TENTH STREET
GLADSTONE, MICHIGAN 49837**

MINUTES

Gladstone High School
2100 M-35
Gladstone, MI 49837

The regular meeting of the Gladstone Area Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, September 17, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

The meeting was called to order by Paul Capodilupo at 7:03 p.m.

Members Present: Richard Anderson, Paul Capodilupo, Ryan Lyle, Bill Milligan,
Steve O'Driscoll

Members Absent: Jeff Deacon, Linda Howlett

Administrative: Jay Kulbertis, Brady Downey, Dave Ballard, Donna Flannery, Kristina Hansen, Matt Houle, Lori Wells, Tom Davis, Pam Durbin, Mike Macfarlane, Karen Fisher

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The list of guests is recorded in the Administrative Office as part of the minute book.

Dave Ballard reported that Junior High open house was well attended.

Richard Anderson commented that it was nice to see two contract agreements settled.

Paul Capodilupo proposed an idea of starting a small "farm" (pumpkin patch) north of the Cameron property to give the K-2 students an opportunity to engage the earth and promote interest in agricultural sciences.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by B. Milligan and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2012 regular meeting and September 5, 2012 special meeting as presented was made by S. O'Driscoll and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of general fund bills numbered 44763-44954 in the amount of \$485,188.45 was made by S. O'Driscoll and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

R. Anderson reviewed the Finance committee meeting.

Dr. Jay Kulbertis thanked teachers and support staff for the excellent school start-up and the togetherness shown to meet the needs of our students. Open houses were well attended for parents/students to have the opportunity to meet teachers and support staff; and to see classrooms. Enrollment numbers are very close to our projections, with more accurate numbers at the end of the month. MPSERS reform has created a great deal of uncertainty among most staff members, as we all struggle with making decisions that will have a significant impact on our future.

Motion to award Freshman Girls Volleyball Coach to Sadie Paradise was made by B. Milligan and supported by R. Anderson. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to award Freshman Boys Basketball Coach to Clayton Castor was made by R. Anderson and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.


Motion to award Boys Baseball Coach to Don Lauscher was made S. O'Driscoll and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve letter of intent to retire from John Petr, Patricia Delveaux and Ruthann Skellenger was made by R. Anderson and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of bond construction bills was made by B. Milligan and supported by S. O'Driscoll. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by S. O'Driscoll and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.



Sadie Paradise
Secretary, Board of Education

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