

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

MINUTES

Jones/Middle School/Public Library  
300 South Tenth Street  
Gladstone, MI 49837

The regular meeting of the Gladstone Area Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, October 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jones/Middle School/Public Library.

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Deacon at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Richard Anderson, Paul Capodilupo, Jeff Deacon, Linda Howlett,  
Ryan Lyle, Bill Milligan

Members Absent: Steve O'Driscoll

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

Daily Press: Ilsa Matthes

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

Paul Capodilupo mentioned that the Junior High girls basketball teams had a large turnout, thanked the coaches, Dave Ballard and Matt Houle on implementing new athletic policy – no one is cut, everyone makes the team.

Linda Howlett welcomed students from the High School Government class.

Mike Macfarlane mentioned the Band Class attended at NMU was impressive. Bill Sjoquist did a wonderful job with our high school band members.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by L. Howlett and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2012 regular meeting as presented was made by L. Howlett and supported by R. Anderson. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of general fund bills numbered 44955–45180 in the amount of \$587,658.14 was made by L. Howlett and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

L. Howlett reviewed the Finance committee meeting.

P. Capodilupo reviewed the Building and Grounds committee meeting.

Dr. Jay Kulbertis mentioned that we continue to make progress financially as the results of our FY12 audit indicates. The progress with new construction at Cameron is amazing. Met with the governor's office, Representative Ed McBroom and Senator Tom Casperson to discuss innovative and creative relationships and processes that we are building into our educational system, especially on the management side. MEAP testing is underway. Lori Wells, Dave Ballard, Kristina Hansen and our teachers do a tremendous job providing our students with every opportunity to be successful. Welcomed Alison Austin as the student representative to the board. Reminded everybody that we have a millage question on the November ballot regarding the renewal of the 18-mill non-homestead levy.

L. Howlett reviewed the Dual Superintendency Report.

Motion to award MS Food Service Aide to Sandra Eilola was made by B. Milligan and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of bond construction bills was made by L. Howlett and supported by B. Milligan. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Annual Audit Report was made by L. Howlett and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to go into closed session to discuss negotiation strategy was made by L. Howlett and supported by R. Lyle. Roll call vote: B. Milligan -Aye, S. O'Driscoll -Absent, R. Anderson -Aye, P. Capodilupo -Aye, L. Howlett -Aye, R. Lyle -Aye, B. Milligan -Aye, J. Deacon -Aye. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

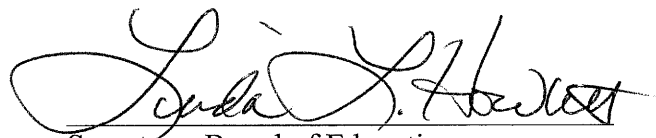
Meeting moved into closed session at 8:26 p.m.

Motion to adjourn from closed session was made by R. Lyle and supported by B. Milligan. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion Carried.

Meeting moved into open session at 10:27 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by B. Milligan and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

  
Secretary, Board of Education