

ON LINE WITH THE BOARD

The following actions, comments, or discussions took place at the December 9, 2009 meeting of the board of education.

1. Members of the 2009/2010 Girl's Swim Team and Coaches Dan Heikka, Tracey Martin and Josh Baumer were recognized at the meeting for their accomplishments this season.
2. Members of the 2009/2010 Girl's Cross Country Team and Coaches Steve Porter, Cindy Hasselbring, Chris Wilson and Joe Bixby were recognized at the meeting for their accomplishments this season.
3. Milan Middle School Principal, William Brown presented information on Rachel's Challenge the anti-bullying program that recently took place in his building. He and a student also spoke about the "Chain Link Club" that has been formed at Milan Middle School.
4. Approval of the minutes for the regular meeting of November 11th, the workshop meeting of November 18th, the approval of the bills/reimbursement of expenses, and Board Policy 5357 – Family and Medical Leave, and Policy 1171 – Board Membership/Student Representation..
5. The 2009/2010 Budget Revision (General Fund) was approved.
6. The board approved for a letter to be sent to the South West Washtenaw Consortium stating our potential for withdrawal from the program effective June 30. 2011.
7. The list of FCI Milan graduates were approved contingent on their completion of all requirements.
8. Superintendent Girbach reported on the following:
 - **Budget issues**
 - The December budget revision reported a \$764,772 deficit.
 - Informational meetings with the staff regarding the budget deficit are scheduled on December 10 at 2:40 p.m. at MMS, and at 4:00 p.m. at Symons.
 - The board will begin to discuss the budget deficit at the December workshop meeting.
 - The superintendent reported that the potential for more proration cuts are due in January and the possible prorations for the 2010/2011 budget could be in the \$500 - \$700 per pupil range.
 - Mr. Girbach has informed the principals in each building that the current mode of operation should be – Only Necessary Spending.
 - 2010/2011 staffing will be questioned on an individual basis including retirement vacancies.
 - Superintendent Girbach is planning to attend Washtenaw County Education Association dinner meeting to discuss upcoming budget issues in the county.
 - **Student Issues**
 - Milan Football Team was recently awarded the All State Academic Award.
 - A test of the Honeywell System to each students home will take place soon so as to be ready for any school cancellations.
 - **Staff Issues**
 - Alicia Upton's, (MHS/MMS Band director) Father-in-law recently passed away.
 - Margaret Durkee's, (Paddock Elementary Parapro) father passed away.
 - Bryan Girbach's grandmother passed away.
 - The MAS bus mechanics; Todd Anderson and Larry Roy achieved a 100% bus inspection pass rate again this year for the 8th year in a row.

- Paddock Elementary Teacher Brook Reedlunn recently passed her National Board Teacher Certification test.
 - MHS/MMS Band Director, Alicia Upton recently was awarded a \$1250 grant from Sam's Club to help with the purchase of new band uniforms.
 - The first draft of the Athletic Coaches Handbook has been completed.
 - **Bond Update**
 - The MHS pool timing system bid was awarded to Colorado Timing. The bid was under \$10,000.
 - Paul Twigg from Barton Malow Co., is our district's Technology Consultant for the bond project.
 - Design work is well underway and in the estimate phase.
 - The principals in each building are working on making decisions for finishes and fixtures.
 - The MHS track will get stripped and resurfaced this summer.
 - Meetings regarding the new MHS addition are scheduled.
 - **Board Issues**
 - The FCI Art Show will take place on Monday, December 14th from 9:30 – 2:30 p.m.
 - A memorandum of understanding regarding the 'Race to the Top' was received Wednesday, 12/9 and is due 1/7.
 - The School Board election is scheduled for May 4, 2010. There will be two seats up for election this year (Dawn Kanitz and Diane Hovatter). Petitions can be picked-up at the Central Office and are due to the county clerk's office by February 9, 2010.
9. Student Board member Blake LaFuenta informed the board that the MHS Band made a \$600 profit at their recent bake sale prior to the Holiday concert.

President Bushart adjourned the meeting at 8:06. p.m.