

On Line With the Board

The following actions, comments, or discussions took place at the February 8, 2012 meeting of the board of education.

1. President Leacher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. A resolution recognizing the week of February 12 – 18th as Principal's Week was approved.
3. Middle School Principal Dave Schmittou and teachers Lynn Kochmanski, Ken Bobicz, Jill Gerweck and Valerie Johnson were at the meeting to present information on the Middle School Data Driven Decision Making process.
4. The January 11, 2012 regular meeting, the workshop meeting of January 25, 2012, Policy 7630-1, 7630-1-R, and the approval of payment of bills/reimbursement of expenses were approved.
5. A first reading of the resolution regarding Full Day Kindergarten was presented. No Action Was Required.
6. The approval of the changes to the Cafeteria Policies was given.
7. The resolution regarding the Washtenaw Alliance for Education (WAE) was approved.
8. Approval for appointment to the Washtenaw Association of School Boards (WASB) and Washtenaw Alliance for Education was approved. Janice Kiger will be the WASB representative and Rita Vershum will be the WAE representative.
9. The resolution to change the school board elections to six year terms to comply with the States new election schedule of only even year elections was passed. Board Policy 1030 Membership was also revised and approved to reflect the six year terms.
10. Superintendent Bryan Girbach reported on the following:
 - Student News
 - A list of Milan High School Scholar Athletes was shared with the board.
 - High School students Danielle Anderson, Alex Cary and Clarice Weisman received All State Choir Honors.
 - Middle School and High School Band Solo and Ensemble Honors list were shared.
 - The MHS Thespian Society has progressed to the Regional Competition after a good competition at the District level.
 - Staff Issues
 - Transportation Mechanics Todd Anderson and Larry Roy received a Certificate of Excellence for the 10th year. This represents a 100% pass rate for School Bus Safety Inspections.
 - The district's Athletic Trainer Amanda Kaiser has submitted her resignation effective at the end of her contract in July.
 - Middle School teacher Kathy Viets' father passed away recently.
 - Technology Director Gina Matley recently earned her MSBO Certification as a School Technology Manager.
 - Bond Update
 - The punch list at the new Transportation Garage is being checked off.
 - Construction on the new Center for Innovative Studies is underway and making good progress.
 - Demolition at the old bus garage will begin soon.

- Work on the tennis courts, parking lot and connecting high school sidewalk will begin soon after the demolition on the old bus garage.
 - Board Issues
 - Superintendent evaluation forms were distributed to the board. The board was instructed to submit their individual evaluation to Board President John Leacher for compilation. Mr. Girbach's evaluation will be shared at the March meeting.
 - Values on the recent bus trade-ins were \$2750 and \$2800.
 - Dates for completing the Goal Setting Process and completion of the final document were covered.
 - Reminder dates for upcoming events and meetings were presented.
 - Curriculum Updates
 - Assistant Superintendent Julie Helber reported on the curriculum preparations that are continuing for the new Milan Center for Innovative Studies (MCIS). Also several teachers in the district are piloting curriculum in Math and Social Studies. The next District Accreditation meeting is scheduled for February 9th at 4:15 p.m. The iPods that the district recently purchased are almost ready to go and should be distributed to the select groups soon.
11. The board entered into Closed Session as allowed by the Open Meetings Act at 9:21 p.m.
 12. The board returned to Open Session at 10:10 p.m.
 13. The board voted to support a recommendation of the reinstatement committee for a student.
 14. President Leacher adjourned the meeting at 10:17 p.m.