

Hartland Consolidated Schools
Special Meeting - Board of Education
January 23, 2012

Members present: T. Dumond, K. Kaszyca, B. Gatewood, M. Hutchinson, C. Aberasturi, C. Kenrick
Members absent: C. Sinelli
Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, L. Mayes, S. VanEpps, S. Bacon, G. Waldrup, A. Lashbrook, C. Hughes, K. Evenson, M. Cheney, L. Pumford, M. Otis, D. Minsker, L. Smither, B. Cain, J. Reck, S. Livingway, A. Howerton
Guests: K. Harper, A. Laibly, E. Harper, K. Rex, E. Rex, L. Miller, J. Hull, S. Way, K. Raap, D. Spencer, M. DelVer0, T. Rogers, L. Hatfield, B. Sabo, D. Baker, M. Day, M. Kellett, K. Pigott, M. Conway, B. Benford, S. Bohlen, M. Bandkau, T. Ryan, B. Ganster, D. Race, P. Gallagher, M. Madden, D. Lubeski, C. Hines, L. Romano, S. Darish, B. Wolf, D. Madden, S. Lorenzo, G. Hellmer

President Kaszyca called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Hartland Educational Support Service Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Kenrick that the agenda for the January 23, 2012 special meeting be approved, and that public participation be allowed on all items except Item IV – Closed Session. Motion carried 6-0. 1/23/12 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Dumond, supported by Gatewood that the minutes of the January 9, 2012 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 6-0. 1/9/12 MINUTES APPROVED

There was no response to Call to the Public. CALL TO PUBLIC

Superintendent Sifferman noted that January is Board Recognition month. Ms. Sifferman then introduced each building principal: SUPT. REPORT

Round Elementary – Principal Minsker introduced staff members making up the “Moron Tabernacle Choir” who performed a rendition of “Rock Around the Clock” tailored to the Board of Education. The Board also received a picture of Round students signed by Round staff and as a thank you for the new technology the Board approved for the buildings, they each received a copy of “Goodnight iPad”. BOARD APPRECIATION

Farms Intermediate – Principal Cheney introduced the 6th grade vocal music class, led by Allison Laibly, who performed several songs for the Board. The Board also received a Farms t-shirt.

Ore Creek – Principal Livingway introduced three students from Mr. Bliznik’s public speaking class who gave an analogous presentation with the Board of Education and a theater production. Mr. Livingway will provide the Board with a written copy.

Lakes Elementary – Principal Smither, on behalf of her staff, students and parents, thanked the Board for their dedicated service. She then presented them with a gift bag from “Lakes Kids Care” containing a poster, poem and calendar crafted by the students and the book “One”, all featuring the theme of empowerment.

Hartland High School – Principal Hughes introduced Athletic Director Jason Reck, who spotlighted the importance of athletics in the educational program and thanked the Board for their support. He introduced Nick Pleshkov, a junior and captain of the varsity hockey team, who spoke about how participating in athletics has driven him to improve his academics. The Board also received a Hartland Athletics sweatshirt.

Creekside Elementary – Principal Pumford presented a video of various Creekside classes thanking the Board of Education and provided each Board member with a “Creekside frog” ornament. Mr. Pumford also thanked the Board for giving him the opportunity to be a principal at Creekside.

Village Elementary – Principal Cain and student Kevin Dinser presented the Board with paving stones engraved with the Board’s names that will be installed at Epley Park. Proceeds from the purchase of these stones will be used for the maintenance of the park.

SUPT. REPORT
(CON’T)

LEGACY/Community Education – Principal Evenson presented the Board with a trivet painted by Legacy students. Ms. Otis presented a video shot at the various Community Education classes and programs across the district with participants in each program thanking the Board for their support.

Ms. Sifferman provided each Board member with a book from LESA with information regarding the common core curriculum.

Mr. Gatewood, Ms. Kenrick, Mr. Dumond, Mr. Kaszyca, Mr. Aberasturi, and Ms. Hutchinson each thanked the buildings, staff and students for their fantastic presentations. Mr. Kaszyca noted that he was humbled by their gifts and that it was a joy to be part of this team. Mr. Aberasturi noted that the wonderful administration, teaching and support staffs, and students make serving on the Board a great experience. Mr. Dumond also wanted to remind everyone about the big wrestling meet on Wednesday in Brighton. Ms. Hutchinson updated the Board on recent legislative activity, noting that the Education Committee would be meeting this week to discuss the cyber-school cap, expansion of dual enrollment, and state aid for students enrolled in private or homeschools who want to take courses at public schools.

BOARD REPORTS

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the 2012/13 Curriculum Guide for Hartland High School as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

2012/13 HHS
CURR. GUIDE

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, adopts the Best Practices incentive resolution specifying that Hartland Consolidated Schools has met four of the five criteria as required to receive the incentive. Motion carried 6-0.

BEST PRACTICES
RESOLUTION

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to B.R.D. Inc. in the amount of \$106,430.00 for division 06, General Trades as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

CONTRACT
AWARDS

Motion by Dumond, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Calvin & Company Inc. in the amount of \$68,888.00 for division 08, Aluminum Entry as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to B.R.D. Inc. in the amount of \$105,272.00 for division 05, Acoustical Ceilings, as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Seven Brothers Painting in the amount of \$6,867.00 for division 09, Painting, as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Gatewood, supported by Aberasturi that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Foster Specialty Floors in the amount of \$103,890.00 for division 09, Wood Floor, as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

CONTRACT
AWARDS
(CON'T)

Motion by Dumond, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Foster Specialty Floors in the amount of \$35,755.00 for division 09, Synthetic Athletic Surfacing, as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Interkal, LLC in the amount of \$89,287.00 for division 10, Bleachers, as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Steel Equipment Company in the amount of \$32,800.00 for division 10, Lockers as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Dumond, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Great Lakes Hotel Supply Company in the amount of \$54,674.00 for division 11, Food Service as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Contrast Mechanical in the amount of \$977,000.00 for division 20, Mechanical as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Aberasturi that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, awards a contract to Great Lakes Power & Lighting Inc. in the amount of \$185,000.00 for division 26, Electrical, as presented. Gary Hellmer, representative for the IBEW, spoke to the Board regarding various charges against Great Lakes Power & Lighting that have been filed over the past seven years, including licensing infractions and prevailing wage issues. President Kaszyca noted that the Board had received rebuttal documentation from GLP&L that refutes these claims. Mr. Hellmer noted that he had a “rebuttal to their rebuttal” and handed the Board the additional information. Steve Lorenzo and Doug Madden from Barton Malow spoke to the Board regarding their past use of GLP&L, noting they have used the contractor 31 times (twice on Hartland projects) and have not had any issues. Mr. Kaszyca asked Mr. Madden if he had any reservations recommending GLP&L and Mr. Madden stated he did not. Mr. Dumond inquired as to the quality of their work. Mr. Madden stated he has experienced no issues with the quality of their work. President Kaszyca stated that the Board has a fiduciary responsibility to prudently manage the district’s money. If there are no issues involving the company providing the lowest bid, then it is the Board’s responsibility to accept that bid. He noted it had nothing to do with the particular company in question, if another company had underbid them and everything else was equal, the Board would still accept the lowest bid. Motion carried 6-0.

CONTRACT
AWARD:
GLP&L

IBEW MEMBERS
QUESTION
AWARD

The Board discussed placing the 18-mill Non-Homestead Millage on the ballot for the May 8, 2012 special election. Ms. Sifferman noted that new election law requires Board to now hold their regular elections in November of even years. The Non-homestead millage however is vital to the economic health of the district, this year contributing approximately \$4.4 million to the general fund. Consequently it is important to run this in May each year to ensure we collect the full 18 mills. This will come before the Board for action at the February 13 regular meeting.

NON-HOMESTEAD
MILLAGE
PROPOSAL-
DISCUSSION

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education convene in closed session pursuant to subsection 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider a communication from its attorney dated January 18, 2012, which is exempt from disclosure under Michigan law due to the attorney-client privilege. Roll Call Vote: Hutchinson-yea, Aberasturi-yea, Kaszyca-yea, Dumond-yea, Kenrick-yea, Gatewood-yea.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered into closed session at 7:55 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 9:25 p.m. and adjourned the meeting.

OPEN SESSION
ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Sinelli
Secretary

Paula Waters
Recording Secretary