Hartland Consolidated Schools Special Meeting - Board of Education January 27, 2014

Members present: T. Dumond, B. Gatewood, M. Hutchinson, C. Kenrick

Members absent: K. Kaszyca, C. Aberasturi, C. Sinelli

Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. VanEpps, S. Bacon, A. Lashbrook, C. Hughes, K. Evenson, M.

Cheney, L. Pumford, M. Otis, D. Minsker, L. Smither, B. Cain, S. Livingway, A.

Howerton, K. Gregory, B. Mainka, M. Day, C. Chanavier, S. Pearson

Guests: K. Ross, J. Ross, K. Ladd, A. Delor, C. VanGieson, R. O'Rourke, H. Schultz, N. Dinser, D. Farrell

President Dumond 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 Kenrick, supported by Gatewood that the agenda for the January 27, 2014 special meeting be approved, that policy be set aside allowing Items II.A and II.B to be treated as Action Items, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 4-0.

1/27/14 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Gatewood, supported by Kenrick that the minutes of the January 13, 2014 regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 4-0.

1/13/14 MINUTES APPROVED

There was no response to Call to the Public.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Superintendent Sifferman noted that January is Board Recognition month. She thanked the Board for their guidance, leadership and dedication and then introduced each building principal:

SUPT. REPORT BOARD APPRECIATION

Farms Intermediate – Principal Cheney introduced students participating in Farms' Peer-to-Peer group – general education students are paired with special education students – and distributed handcrafted flowers and t-shirts.

Creekside Elementary – Creekside students talked about a blog they had created to talk about classwork and gave the Board "Game Day" gift bags with items from Heart of Michigan as the Board is the "Heart of Hartland".

Village Elementary – Mr. Cain thanked the Board for their service and Village students distributed gift bags and student-crafted gifts to the Board.

Lakes Elementary – Principal Smither thanked the Board and presented them with a calendar featuring Lakes students and a children's book.

Round Elementary – Principal Minsker presented the Board with gift bags conceived and put together by his 4th grade students.

LEGACY/Community Education – Principal Evenson presented the Board with a Legacy t-shirt designed by a Legacy student and a coffee mug. He thanked the Board for their continued support of the Alternative Education program, noting many districts had discontinued them. Michelle Otis provided each Board member with a prepared meal they could take home and share with their families in lieu of the many "meals they had missed" in service to the district.

Ore Creek – Principal Livingway and Assistant Principal Howerton presented a video put together by teacher Patty Roberts featuring students and staff expressing their gratitude for the work the Board does.

Hartland High School – Principal Mainka introduced members of FCCLA who presented the Board with handcrafted "Conquer Cancer" pillow cases they crafted for children cancer patients at U of M Hospital. ASL teacher Judy Parlette and an ASL II student performed a demonstration using American Sign Language. Ms. Parlette thanked the Board for their continued support of the ASL programs at the middle

school and high school. Mr. Mainka also provided gift bags with t-shirts and the book "Better Learning".

Ms. Hutchinson thanked everyone for their presentations tonight and noted that she receives thanks all year long from administrators, staff and students. Ms. Kenrick thanked everyone for making the Board feel so special and noted she was blessed to be here. Mr. Dumond noted that Hartland Schools is really a "Dream Team" comprised of great Board members, administrators, teachers, support staff and facilities, and he is grateful to be a part of this team. Mr. Gatewood seconded everyone else's comments and noted that he was humbled by the display. He also noted that everyone – administration, staff, etc. – deserve recognition.

BOARD REPORTS

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the 2014/2015 Curriculum Guide for Hartland High School as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

2014/15 HHS CURR. GUIDE

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Gatewood that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, adopts the special school election resolution for the May 6, 2014 school election as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

SCHOOL ELECTION MAY 6, 2014

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the extension of the current GRBS contract for five years (through 2019) with no increase to the current pricing. Mr. Gatewood noted that it is remarkable that the district has been able to contract with GRBS for a 13-year period without any price increase. He also noted the district's cost per square foot is considerably below the going rate, which is indicative of the collaborative relationship the district has established with GRBS. Motion carried 4-0.

GRBS CONTRACT EXTENSION

Motion by Kenrick, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the proposed slate of Senior Center Advisory Council members as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BD.

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Kenrick that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Personnel Committee, approves the promotion of Charles Hughes from Director of Curriculum and Instruction to Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction. Motion carried 4-o. Ms. Sifferman noted that she is very excited to promote Mr. Hughes to Assistant Superintendent as he has been a superb addition to Central Office. She anticipates a smooth transition when Laurie Mayes retires in June.

HUGHES – ASST. SUPT., CURR & INSTRUCTION

President Dumond noted the next meeting is scheduled for February 10 at 6:30 p.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Hutchinson Secretary Paula Waters Recording Secretary