Hartland Consolidated Schools Regular meeting - Board of Education October 11, 2010

Members present: C. Sinelli, T. Dumond, K. Kaszyca, E. McPherson-Brown, C. Aberasturi,

M. Hutchinson

Members absent: R. Perkins

Admin. Present: J. Sifferman, S. Bacon, S. VanEpps, L. Mayes, L. Smither, M. Otis, C.

Hughes, T. Sahouri, K. Evenson, S. Livingway, S. Pearson, G. Waldrup, D.

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Guests: N. Spranger, L. Moore, D. Aberasturi, M. Gutteridge, B. Watt, S. Hinds,

A. Andrews, P. Halstein, D. Bankes, P. Heath, R. Bracon, M. Schiltz, M.

Passmore, K. Krause, S. Wilson, C. Littrell, E. Watt, A. Hinds

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 Dumond that the agenda for the October 11, 2010 regular meeting be approved, and that public participation be allowed on all items. Motion carried 6-0.

10/11 AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Sinelli, supported by Hutchinson that the minutes of the September 27, 2010 special meeting be approved. Motion carried 6-0.

9/27 MINUTES APPROVED

There was no response to the Call to the Public.

CALL TO PUBLIC

Superintendent Sifferman thanked the Senior Center Advisory Board for their cider and donut reception and introduced Alice Andrews to report on activities at the Hartland Senior Center. Ms. Andrews introduced Patrice Heath, Chairperson for the Advisory Council, who highlighted various aspects of the Senior Center program. She noted the center had been in operation, with the support of the district, for 34 years. They independently raise 85% of their annual operating budget through membership fees, class fees and grants. The senior center membership has tripled since moving to the HESSC with 1,290 paid memberships in 2009. The most popular activities are fitness classes with 13 classes offered weekly. Pickleball is also very popular and new courts are being built as part of the 2010 bond project. Ms. Andrews noted that there will be a Family Pickleball night on November 12. Mr. Kaszyca thanked Ms. Andrews and the Advisory Board for the reception and congratulated them on their success.

SUPT. REPORT

SENIOR CENTER

Ms. Sifferman noted that the Building & Site Committee met this morning and one of the items on the agenda was the development of the Clyde Road property. She noted that a meeting of the stakeholders, including representatives from the administration, Board, athletics, Community Education, maintenance, HAYAA, Hartland Township, TMP Architects and Barton Malow, took place in July to discuss everyone's wants and needs and prioritize. TMP Architects drew up two schematics that include football, lacrosse, baseball, softball and soccer fields. Ms. Sifferman noted that the committee had given their blessing for the administration to move forward with a study to determine the requirements and expectations of the state, township, Road and Drain Commissions. Also on the Building & Site agenda was the proposed work for the Farms/Lakes parking and traffic flow issues. Plans were presented to the committee showing the architects' recommendations to alleviate

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the traffic and safety issues. This will be funded with 2006 bond monies.

SUPT. REPORT (CON'T)

Ms. Sifferman introduced Michelle Otis who, on behalf of the Hartland Optimist Club, presented Scott VanEpps with copies of the book "Willow" for the elementary buildings in memory of his father, Dale VanEpps.

BOARD REPORTS

Ms. Hutchinson thanked the Senior Center for the nice reception. Ms. Sinelli updated the Board on the recent Table Talk event noting they had 12 participants including Ms. Hutchinson, Mr. Kaszyca, Alice Lashbrook from the high school and Deputy Steinaway. Mr. Kaszyca thanked Ms. Sinelli for bringing the Table Talk program to the Board.

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by McPherson-Brown that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, approves the financial report as of September 30, 2010, and the payment of invoices totaling \$2,444,060.86 and payroll obligations totaling \$1,735,673.30. Motion carried 6-0.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Motion by Hutchinson, supported by Dumond that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, adopts the updates to the Policy Manual as discussed, revised and presented. Motion carried 6-0.

POLICY UPDATES

Motion by Sinelli, supported by McPherson-Brown that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, adopts the resolution authorizing the refunding of the 2001 Refunding Bonds as presented. Mr. Bacon noted that this will save the district millions of dollars in interest on the 2001 bonds and additional action will be required after the first of the year to finalize the process. Motion carried 6-0.

REFUNDING 2001 BONDS

Motion by Aberasturi, supported by Hutchinson that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the Project Manager, amends the bid award of July 12, 2010 to The Professional Group to utilize SMART Technologies Interactive Whiteboards instead of Promethean Whiteboards for the same award amount. Motion carried 6-0.

AMENDMENT-BID AWARD WHITEBOARDS

President Kaszyca noted that a meeting of the Curriculum Committee was scheduled for Tuesday morning and reminded the Board that the October 25th meeting was canceled.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie McPherson-Brown Secretary Paula Waters Recording Secretary