

Regular Meeting of the Houghton Lake Community Schools Board of Education was held Monday, January 21, 2008 in the Board of Education office.

Members Present: Maiani, Haf, Stuck, Harned, Burger, Dean and Duquette.

Members Absent: None

Administration/Staff: Superintendent Injasoulian

President Harned called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Burger, supported by Dean to go into closed session at 6:01 p.m. for the purpose of the Superintendent's mid year evaluation. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

Motion by Stuck, supported by Duquette to come out of closed session at 6:45 p.m. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

President Harned allowed the parents and student in the building and began the reinstatement hearing at 6:46 p.m.

Administration/Staff: Superintendent Injasoulian and Jack Kramer.

Visitors: Student and Mother of Student.

Motion by Dean, supported by Duquette to go into closed session at 6:47 p.m. for the purpose of a reinstatement hearing. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

Motion by Duquette, supported by Stuck to come out of closed session at 7:06 p.m. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

President Harned let the other visitors in the building and began the regular meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Administration/Staff: Superintendent Injasoulian, Susan Tyer, Jack Kramer, Matt Lewis, Gail Harned, Stan Gardner, Ken Warner, Kathy Serum, Curt Schaiberger, Jenny VanDuinen, Rob Kunik, Patti Caswell, Amy Ziemke, and Jennifer Williams.

Visitors: Kristin Brotebeck

Press: Cheryl Holladay, Houghton Lake Resorter

**Citizen's Request to Address the Board of Education - None**

### **Superintendent's Report**

- January is "School Board Recognition" Month – Superintendent Injasoulian distributed framed certificates of appreciation to each Board member as he shook their hand and thanked them for their service. Resolutions received from the Governor and the State Board of Education acknowledging their dedication and contributions will be sent to the local newspaper for publication.
- The Board of Education filing deadline is February 13<sup>th</sup> - the district will have four vacancies to fill. The election is May 6, 2008.
- The C.O.O.R. ISD Technology Services consolidation plan has been placed on hold & will be delayed until next school year.
- MASA Conference – Superintendent Injasoulian is planning to attend this conference since so many things are happening in Michigan – and important information will be covered.
- Bond Issue Update - Brad Hemmes from GMB was in the district today to meet with the Superintendent and others – they reviewed the list of necessary projects/repairs along with the cost.

### **Discussion Items**

### ***Administrative Board Reports***

Board Reports were reviewed, with student enrollment discussed; many students have left the state.

### ***Civil Rights Compliance Plan ~ Second Reading & Adoption***

Discussion on the deadline, requirements, and procedures took place. Board would like to receive updates and be notified once the corrections/requirements have been met.

### ***Curriculum Recommendations ~ Second Reading***

Discussion on the recommendations from the curriculum council took place, Board felt another reading was not necessary, and will approve at this meeting.

### **Board Presentation**

Trimesters for the 2008-2009 School Year

Mr. Kramer began the presentation explaining how a trimester schedule would look like for students and how it relates to credits, with Kristi Brotebeck giving her opinion from a parent point of view. Ken Warner, Curt Schaiberger, Rob Kunik, and Amy Ziemke gave their perspective and an outlook of how trimesters would impact staff & students stating the (pros/cons). Those being - the ability to retake a failed class immediately, exam schedules falling in between each sport season, allowing more time to complete vocational and lab projects, more courses offered for third trimester, moving students forward academically once credit is earned at second trimester, the bottom line over and over was that this change would help students – the format is great for kids – more work for faculty, counselors, and administration but beneficial for our students. Staff was very positive, upbeat, and optimistic of future outcome.

### **Action Items**

#### ***Consent Agenda***

Motion by Dean, supported by Haf to approve the consent agenda as presented - minutes of the regular meeting held December 17, 2007, the special meetings held December 10, 2007, and January 7, 2008: along with the following expenditures for the month of December 2007: General Fund \$506,213.53, Athletics \$7,474.73, and Food Service \$66,135.45. Motion carried. Yes 7, No 0.

#### ***Civil Rights Compliance Plan & Nondiscrimination Statement***

Motion by Duquette, supported by Stuck to approve the attached Civil Rights Compliance Plan for Houghton Lake Community School, and the nondiscrimination statement/notification as presented. Motion carried. Yes 7, No 0.

#### ***Michigan School Readiness Program - Resolution***

Motion by Duquette, supported by Maiani to approve the attached Michigan School Readiness Program resolution as presented. Motion carried. Yes 7, No 0.

#### ***Curriculum Recommendations for New Courses***

Motion by Haf, supported by Dean to add one trimester/semester lab-based science course “Advanced Experimental Chemistry” beginning in the 2008/2009 school year. Motion carried. Yes 7, No 0.

Motion by Haf, supported by Dean to add a full year (1 credit) “Advanced Placement English” course ***AP English Language and Composition*** beginning in the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried. Yes 7, No 0.

#### ***Reinstatement of Student***

Motion by Maiani, supported by Duquette to reinstate a high school student effective January 22, 2008, the beginning of second semester of school year 2007/2008. Motion carried. Yes 7, No 0. Discussion took place on the Board receiving a monthly follow-up report on the student. (Attendance/Grades/Attitude)

#### **Correspondence - None**

Motion by Duquette, supported by Haf to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m. Motion carried Yes 7, No 0.