

EATON RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
March 9, 2011

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Eaton Raids Public Schools of Eaton and Ingham Counties was held at the Eaton Rapids Middle School, 815 Greyhound Drive, Eaton Rapids, Michigan on March 9. 2011.

Members Present: Jeff Allison, Debbie Brinson, Theresa Platte, Brian Ross, Tom Reich, and Carolyn Wyckoff

Members Absent: Jon Althouse

Others Present: Bill DeFrance, Laura Lezotte, Diane Binkowski, Kim Estes, Alan Miller, Collin Smith, Shawn Towsley, Robin Buysee, Julie Powers, and Brenda Stohr

The meeting was called to order by President Brinson at 7:00 p.m.

Audience Recognition

No one addressed the Board.

Approval of Agenda

Member Ross moved that the agenda be approved as presented. Member Allison seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes – February 23, 2011
2. Approval of Treasurer's Report – February 2011
3. Personnel Items

Leave of Absence:

1. Whitney Muncy – Medical Leave – Effective approx. April 13, 2011 – June 2, 2011

New Hires:

1. Peggy Cartwright – NW Health Care Aide – New position effective 1/24/2011
2. Adams Jones – Boys Diving Coach – Replaced David Harris – effective 1/8/2011
3. Richard Webb – GIS Lunch/Playground – Replaced Kim Hallenbeck – effective 1/24/2011
4. Andrea Wells – GIS Brkst. Aide – Replaced Kim Hallenbeck – effective 11/30/2010
5. Jessica Reasoner – GC Part Time Custodian – Replaced Debra Ribby – effective 2/23/2011
6. Nikki West – HS Part-Time Custodian – Replaced Kim Adee – effective 2/23/2011
7. Randy Gould – Temporary Grounds – effective 2/24/2011
8. Andrea Wells – NW Temp At-Risk Aide – New – effective 2/21/2011
9. Graham Lockwood – GIS Temp At Risk Aide – New – effective 1/31/2011
10. Megan DeShetler – LW Temp At Risk Aide – New – effective 2/7/2011
11. Kim Rogers – LW Temp At Risk Aide – New – effective 2/21/2011

Resignations:

1. David Harris

The consent agenda was unanimously adopted.

Reports

President's Report was given by Debbie Brinson

Superintendent's Report was given by Bill DeFrance

Finance and Personnel Committees meet as a Committee-of-the-Whole – Report given by Jeff Allison.

### Bond Election Options

There was discussion regarding options for another bond election. The Board asked administration to obtain more information so that they will be able to make a decision on whether or not to move forward with a February 2011 election.

### 2011-2012 Budget

Superintendent DeFrance and Collin Smith, CFO, presented administration's recommendations for dealing with the budget cuts for the 2011-2012 school year.

Audience Recognition – Robin Buysee addressed the Board.

### Executive Session

Member Platte moved that the Board move into closed session at 8:30 p.m. in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Section 8(c), Negotiation Strategies. Member Ross seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Yes: Allison, Brinson, Platte, Ross, Reich, Wyckoff. No (0). The motion passed unanimously.

The Board returned to open session and the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.