# MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road Regular Meeting June 7, 2010

President Scheel convened the meeting at 7:01 p.m. in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Members Present Colleen Burton, Robert Freeman, Steve King, Daniel Lessard,

Patrice Mang, Gregory Oke, Lynda Scheel

Members Absent

None

Recognition of SET SEG Scholarship

Mr. Thomas Longhway, SET SEG Foundation account executive, presented a \$1,250 summer leadership camp scholarship to Franklin High School principal, Daniel Willenborg. Franklin students will utilize these funds to attend summer leadership camps.

Recognition of Green Schools It was moved by Mr. King and supported by Mr. Freeman that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the following resolution recognizing Cleveland, Grant, Kennedy, and Rosedale Elementary Schools and Frost Middle School as Official Michigan Green Schools:

LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS Livonia, Michigan June 7, 2010

# **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, The trustees of the Livonia Board of Education are desirous of recognizing and promoting excellence in education in this school district; and

**WHEREAS**, (Cleveland Elementary, Grant Elementary, Kennedy Elementary, Rosedale Elementary, Frost Middle School) staff and students are committed to protecting the air, land, water and animals of Michigan along with worldwide outreach through good ecological practices; and

**WHEREAS**, Given this commitment, staff and students of (*Cleveland Elementary, Grant Elementary, Kennedy Elementary, Rosedale Elementary, Frost Middle School*) have taken the steps necessary to be distinguished as Official Michigan Green Schools in accordance with the Michigan Green Schools Agency that is dedicated to assisting schools to achieve environmental goals; and

**WHEREAS**, In addition, (*Cleveland Elementary, Grant Elementary, Kennedy Elementary, Rosedale Elementary, Frost Middle School*) staff and students have worked as teams to ensure each met the requirements and earned the required points within the academic year to achieve Michigan Green School status.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the trustees of the Livonia Board of

Education do hereby commend and congratulate (*Cleveland Elementary, Grant Elementary, Kennedy Elementary, Rosedale Elementary, Frost Middle School*) staff and students for being recognized as Official Michigan Green Schools and for all the hours of dedication and commitment they have demonstrated to make a difference to the Livonia Public Schools School District, to the greater community, to the State of Michigan, and to the planet Earth.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

# Recognition for MASB Awards

Board Secretary Rob Freeman and Board Trustee Colleen Burton were recognized and congratulated for receiving awards from the Michigan Association of School Boards. Mr. Freeman received the Master Board Member Award for completing level 1, 2, and 3 CBA classes. Ms. Burton received the Certified Board Member Award, completing all 100 level CBA classes in her first year on the Board.

# Recess

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Ms. Mang that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District have a short recess to visit with guests.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

The Board recessed at 7:35 p.m.

### Reconvene

President Scheel reconvened the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

# Written Communication

None

# Audience Communication

**Jerome Pfeifer**, 14515 Ronnie Lane, addressed the Board regarding Hull School.

**Jeff Wiggins**, 14667 Country Club Dr., addressed the Board regarding Hull School.

**Loyd Romick**, 33437 Michele Ct., addressed the Board regarding Livonia Neighbors Web site and Cabinet contracts.

**John Grzebik**, 11301 Hubbell, congratulated Mr. Freeman and Ms. Burton for their MASB achievements and addressed the Board regarding high school graduations and all-night parties.

# Response to Prior Audience Communication

None

# Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Freeman and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the following consent agenda items as recommended by the superintendent:

IV.A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 10, 2010
IV.B. Minutes of the Closed Session of May 10, 2010
IV.C. Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 17, 2010
VI.A. Bills for Payment—June 8, 2010

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

# Approval of Physics & Physical Science Textbooks

It was moved by Ms. Burton and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District purchase the following textbooks for high school science courses: *CPO – Foundations of Physical Science*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, for the Physical Science course and *CPO - Foundations of Physics*, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, for the Principles of Physics course. The total cost for textbooks for high school science courses is \$93,305.64.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: King

# Approval of Bid Results for Hull School Demolition

It was moved by Ms. Mang and supported by Mr. Oke that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the bid to Able Demolition in the amount of \$271,370 for the demolition of Hull School and authorize the Director of Secondary Programs and Facilities to enter into such agreements necessary to effect this work.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: King

# Appointment of Director of Elementary and Special Programs

It was moved by Mr. Oke and supported by Mr. Freeman that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and employ Andrea Oquist for the position of director of elementary and special programs beginning July 1, 2010.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: King

# Retirements

It was moved by Mr. Freeman and unanimously supported by the Board that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt resolutions of appreciation for services rendered by:

**Sandra Ahmet** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and, has devoted 30.3 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional at Churchill High School, Holmes Middle School, Tyler Elementary School, Roosevelt Elementary School, Cooper Elementary School, Hayes Elementary School, Grant Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, and Buchanan Elementary School.

**Mona Amen** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 26.1 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with

the Transportation Department.

Marcianna Baker will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 34 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Clay Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, Madison Elementary School, Eisenhower Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, Wilson Elementary School, Cass Elementary School, Tyler Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Johnson Elementary School, Grant Elementary School, Kennedy Elementary School, Cooper Upper Elementary School, and Riley Upper Elementary School as a teacher.

**Donald Berry** will retire from the district on June 17, 2010, and has devoted 26.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

**Gayle Buchan** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 21 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional with the Transportation Department.

**Ted Caporale** will retire from the district on August 31, 2010, and has devoted 36.4 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian and IMC materials processor at Harrison Elementary School, Madison Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, Webster Elementary School, Western Wayne Skill Center, and Stevenson High School.

**Marjorie Cervenan** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 24.1 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

**Betty Dickson-Purol** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 31.05 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

Sally Diskin Gyokeres will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 37.8 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Nankin Mills Elementary School, Perrinville Elementary School, Wilson Elementary School, Cass Elementary School, Clay Elementary School, Marshall Elementary School, McKinley Elementary School, Tyler Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, Garfield Elementary School, Buchanan Elementary School, Taylor Elementary School, Johnson Elementary School, Cooper Elementary School, Hayes Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Instruction Department, Hoover Elementary School, and Riley Upper Elementary School as a teacher.

**Sandra Doll** will retire from the district on August 31, 2010, and has devoted 23.9 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a secretary in the Business Office and secretary to the Principal at Franklin High School and as an administrative assistant with the Human Resources Department.

**Billy Eddlemon** will retire from the district on June 17, 2010, and has devoted 16.1 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

**Patricia Fenech** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 25 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

Ann Fondaw will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 20 years of

dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Webster Elementary School, Tyler Elementary School, Hayes Elementary School, and Randolph Elementary School as a teacher; and as a school psychologist with the Student Services Department for students throughout the district.

**James Foster** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 37.2 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian, auditorium technician, boiler burner operator, and mechanical leader at Coolidge Elementary School, Cass Elementary School, Churchill High School and the Maintenance Department.

**Douglas Gendron** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 29 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian and building supervisor at Bentley High School, Kennedy Elementary School, Marshall Elementary School, Holmes Middle School, and Garfield Elementary School.

**Sally Grandsko** will retire from the district on June 17, 2010, and has devoted 35.25 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

**Susan Grigg** will retire from the district on August 31, 2010, and has devoted 32.67 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian and building supervisor at Taylor Elementary School, Rosedale Elementary School, Stark Elementary School, Roosevelt Elementary School, Coolidge Elementary School, Clay Elementary School, Perrinville Elementary School, Jefferson Elementary School, Marshall Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, and Nankin Mills Elementary School.

**Susan Higgins** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 21.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a secretary in the Curriculum Department, secretary to the Assistant Director of Instruction, and Supervisor of Child Accounting for the district.

Pamela Hill will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 24.1 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Franklin High School, Bentley High School, Hayes Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, Churchill High School, Washington Elementary School, Marshall Elementary School, McKinley Elementary School, Roosevelt Elementary School, Emerson Middle School, Cooper Elementary School, Garfield Elementary School, Hull Elementary School, Kennedy Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, and Riley Upper Elementary School as a music education teacher.

**Leo Hintz** will retire from the district on June 17, 2010, and has devoted 5.4 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

**Joseph Jinnett, Jr.** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 29.9 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students throughout the district as a custodian at Dickinson, energy manager, assistant supervisor, supervisor of environmental control, and supervisor of plant operations and environmental control with the Operations Department.

**Kathryn Kalousek** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 22.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional at Cooper Elementary School, Nankin Mills Elementary School, and Hayes Elementary School.

Michael Keller will retire from the district on August 31, 2010, and has devoted 31.84

years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian at Stark Elementary School, Churchill High School, Central Office and Stevenson High School; Class IV Maintenance person and temporary roofer with the Maintenance Department; warehouseperson, head shipper, and warehouse leader for the District Warehouse.

**Samuel LaMonica III** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 29.83 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian at Franklin High School; and roofer and utility person with the Maintenance Department.

**Caroline Lanspeary** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 10.2 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional at the Livonia Career/Technical Center, Franklin High School, and Bryant Center.

**Judy Lee** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 31.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

**John Marshall, Jr.** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 38.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian, warehouseperson, Class IV maintenance worker, medium equipment operator at Dickinson Junior High School, Franklin High School, Warehouse, and the Maintenance Department.

**Catherine Molinaro** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted ten years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional at McKinley Elementary School and Perrinville Early Childhood Center.

**Gary Norton** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 18.8 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian at Churchill High School.

**Ronald Nowry** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 38 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian, assistant building supervisor, and building supervisor at Ford Junior High School, Lowell Junior High School, Whitman Center, Bentley Center, Bryant Center, and Stevenson High School.

**Linda Ort** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 18 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Clay Elementary School, Frost Junior High School, Emerson Junior High School, Taylor Elementary School, and Riley Upper Elementary School as a teacher.

**Nanette Ragalyi** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 22.9 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a secretary at Marshall Elementary School, Nankin Mills Elementary School, and Rosedale Elementary School.

**Suzanne Ray** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 36.6 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Cooper Elementary School, Hayes Elementary School, Nankin Mills Elementary School, Kennedy Elementary School, Garfield Elementary School, and Cleveland Elementary School as a teacher.

**Thomas Robinson** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 25.4 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a

material production technician with the Printing Department.

**Christine Santavicca** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 21 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Hull Elementary School and Kennedy Elementary School as a teacher.

**Shannon Scott** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 25 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department;.

**Virginia Sullivan** will retire from the district on August 31, 2010, and has devoted 13.2 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

**Ernest Terry** will retire from the district on July 31, 2010, and has devoted 12 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Nankin Mills Elementary School and Hayes Elementary School as a principal.

**Linda Tymczak** will retire from the district on August 31, 2010, and has devoted 20.95 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a secretary with Adult Education, Payroll Department, Community Education Department, and Community Relations.

**Terrance Tymczak** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted ten years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional at Franklin High School, Frost Middle School, Stevenson High School, Hayes Elementary School, Cooper Upper Elementary School, and Riley Upper Elementary School.

**Catherine Vanecek** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 15 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Roosevelt Elementary School as a teacher.

**Stevan VanWestenburg** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 23.3 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Stevenson High School and Churchill High School as a teacher.

**Mary Weaver** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 22.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Cass Elementary School, Cooper Elementary School, Roosevelt Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, Marshall Elementary School, Riley Upper Elementary School, Buchanan Elementary School, and Coolidge Elementary School as a teacher.

**Carol Weber** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 7.6 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional with the Transportation Department.

**Lawrence Winger** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, and has devoted 40.4 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian, warehouseperson, food service driver, head receiver at Franklin High School, Food Service Department and the District Warehouse.

**Olivia Wylie** will retire from the district on June 30, 2010, has devoted 24.8 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Franklin High School, Emerson Middle School, and Stevenson High School as a foreign language teacher.

# Resignation

Dorothy Chomicz, Director of Human Resources, informed the Board of Education that she accepted the **resignation** of: **Debra Sherrow**, effective June 30, 2010.

Notification of Discontinuance of Teaching Contracts

It was moved by Mr. King and supported by Mr. Freeman that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent that the teachers as listed be laid off for the school year 2010-11 and that their teaching contracts not be renewed at the end of the 2009-10 school year. It is further resolved that the records show that the reasons for this action are a result of the budget process, the district's financial situation, enrollment changes, teachers returning from leave, and program changes. Be it further resolved that the Board of Education direct the secretary of the Board to send a letter to each of the individuals listed officially notifying them that their teaching contracts will not be renewed at the end of the 2009-10 school year and that they will be laid off as teachers in the Livonia Public Schools School District

First Name	Last Name	Seniority <u>Date</u>	Location
Julie	Adams	8/30/1999	Kennedy (.7 Physical Education) Coolidge (.1 Physical Education)
Andrea	Anderson	12/16/2004	Garfield (Grade 1)
Karyn	Anderson	8/21/2003	Hayes (Title I Early Learning Interventionist)
Tina	Anglin	9/22/2008	Coolidge (Center Program)
Christianne	Antonelli	8/24/2000	Stevenson (.6 Business) Stevenson (.4 Leadership/Other)
Richelle	Ballard	8/24/2000	Cleveland (E.S.A.P.)
Jacqueline	Banner	11/9/2009	Riley (Grade 5)
Jaime	Benkelman	8/30/2006	Student Services (School Psychologist)
Mary Pat	Benoit	8/29/2007	LCTC (Career Intern Programs)
Jan	Bice	8/29/2007	Hoover (E.S.A.P.)
Christopher	Bohn	8/24/2000	Roosevelt (.7 Physical Education) Buchanan (.3 Physical Education)
Carrianne	Braun	3/15/2010	Cass (Grade 4)
Rebecca	Bray	8/22/2003	Grant (Grade 4)
Jennifer	Brees	8/21/2003	Cleveland (Grade 1)
Katie	Broome	10/5/2009	Cleveland (Grade 3)
Mark	Bryden	8/21/2003	Frost (.6 Industrial Technology)

Roger	Cebulski	8/29/2007	LCTC ( .5 Criminal Justice)
Mary	Christensen	8/23/2002	Hoover (Grade 2)
Gretchen	Coles	8/29/2007	Cass (.4 Music) Rosedale (.3 Music) Buchanan (.2 Music)
Denise	Collins- Robison	11/27/2007	Rosedale (E.S.A.P.)
Laura	Connor	8/29/2007	Churchill (T.S.L.I.)
Kelly	Corrigan	8/29/2007	Franklin (.6 English) Franklin (.2 Social Studies)
Jennifer	Cotter	8/30/2006	Buchanan (E.S.A.P.)
David	Crispin	8/29/2007	Churchill (Mathematics)
David	Currier	8/30/2006	Churchill (Social Studies)
Christine	Daly- Damiani	8/30/1999	Frost (.5 S.A.P.) Frost (.4 School Social Worker) Student Services (.1 School Social Worker)
Patrick	Daugherty	8/30/1999	Churchill (.7 Physical Education) Churchill (.2 Health) Churchill (.1 Academic Prep.)
Michelle	Dobrovich	8/22/2002	Garfield (Grade 1)
Matthew	Eckerman	8/30/2006	Stevenson (.5 Physical Education)
Kevin	Etue	9/21/2005	LCTC (.8 Business) LCTC (.2 NCA Leadership)
Kimberly	Finney	3/4/2010	Roosevelt (Grade 2)
Shannon	Fitzgerald	8/22/2002	Student Services (.8 E.S.L.) Stevenson (.2 E.S.L.)
Jeanne	Fuller	11/9/2009	Cleveland (.5 Learning Interventionist)
Adrienne	Gates	9/23/2008	WWSC (Special Education)
Lawrence	Grezak	12/2/2008	Hoover (Grade 3)
Jennifer	Grills	8/29/2007	Webster (.6 Physical Therapist) WWSC (.4 Physical Therapist)
Kelly	Grodzicki	8/23/2001	Riley (Physical Education)
Tracey	Hammaren	8/29/2007	Cass (E.S.A.P.)
Barbara	Hawkins	8/21/2003	Cleveland (Grade 1)
Benjamin	Hillard	8/25/2005	Webster (Grade 5/6)

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Christa	Hinderliter	8/30/1999	Stevenson (.6 Physical Education) Stevenson (.4 Health)
Patricia	Horgan	1/23/2003	Hoover (Grade 1)
Adrianne	Hosking	9/22/2008	Coolidge (Center Program)
Erik	Hughes	8/30/2006	LCTC (.6 Information Technology) LCTC (.4 Special Populations Coordinator)
Nicole	Hunter	8/29/2007	Stevenson (Social Studies)
Courtney	Ignash	3/16/2010	Cooper (Special Education)
Aisha	Jobe	8/29/2007	Johnson (.4 World Languages) Webster (.1 World Languages)
Victoria	Johnson	11/10/2008	Hoover (Grade 4)
Jonathan	Kantor	8/29/2007	Stevenson (.8 Spanish) Stevenson (.2 Social Studies)
Lawrence	Kendzie	8/23/1996	Emerson (Industrial Technology)
Jessica	Kennedy	8/29/2007	Churchill (English)
Abbie	Kidder	8/21/2003	Garfield (Grade 2)
Marion	Killebrew- Sexton	8/29/2007	Churchill (.2 French) Emerson (.4 French)
Denise	Kimball	8/21/2003	Cooper (Grade 6)
Dawn	Kinnell	10/20/2008	WWSC (Special Education)
Renee	Kish	8/30/2006	Roosevelt (E.S.A.P.)
Norman	Klawender Sr.	3/1/2010	Franklin (.8 Mathematics)
Michelle	Kopacko	8/23/2002	Cooper (Grade 6)
Wendy	Kwiatkowski	8/30/2006	Frost (.4 Health)
William	LaChance	10/27/2008	Franklin (Special Education)
Nicole	Jr. Lane	8/29/2007	Cass (Teacher of Visually Impaired)
Cindy	Lectka	9/10/2003	Roosevelt (.5 Kindergarten)
Darci	Licata	3/15/2010	Cooper (Learning Specialist)
Amy	Lipinski	8/21/2003	Hoover (Grade 4)
Wendy	Martin	8/25/2005	Hoover (Grade 4)
Anastasia	McKorwin	8/27/2008	Franklin (.6 German) Emerson (.4 German)

Candice	McLeod	9/7/1999	Cass (.6 Physical Education)
Lisa	Melvin	11/11/2009	Stevenson (.6 Mathematics)
Paul	Mercier	8/29/2007	Churchill (English)
Richard	Mestdagh	8/29/2007	Stevenson (.8 Social Studies)
John	Michalik	8/27/2008	LCTC (Automobile Technician)
Thomas	Morelli	8/30/2006	Holmes (Social Studies)
Jennifer	Murdza	8/21/2003	Frost (Science)
Michael	Nathan	8/24/2000	Riley (.3 School Social Worker) Stevenson (.7 School Social Worker)
Holli	Neeb	10/5/2009	Churchill (Center Program)
Carmen	Niemiec	10/5/2009	Cass (Grade 1)
Rebecca	Novack	8/29/2007	Emerson (.8 Social Studies)
Missina	Ormsby	8/29/2007	LCTC (Graphics Communication)
John	Palmer	2/22/2010	Emerson (.4 Science)
Catherine	Phillips	8/23/2001	Grant (E.S.A.P.)
Sarah	Plum	8/30/1999	Hayes (.5 Physical Education) Cleveland (.4 Physical Education)
Walter	Power	8/29/2007	Emerson (Language Arts)
Rachel	Pridemore	8/21/2003	LOA 2010-2011
Martha	Ptashnik	8/29/2007	Churchill (Mathematics)
Erin	Radley	9/22/2008	Frost (.4 T.S.L.I.)
Jodi	Reel	8/23/1996	Churchill (.6 S.A.P.)
Kevin	Reina	8/21/2003	Churchill (Science)
Melanie	Reynolds	8/29/2007	Riley (.6 T.S.L.I.)
Anne Marie	Reynolds	8/29/2007	Stevenson (.7 Food/Nutrition) Holmes (.1 Food/Nutrition)
Tara	Richardson	9/1/2009	Kennedy (E.S.A.P.)
Aaron	Rieder	8/30/2006	Churchill (Science)
Nicole	Rosemary	10/26/2009	Garfield (Resource Room)
Nicole	Ruzycki	9/16/2009	WWSC (Special Ed. & Wood Shop)

Marlene	Sabbagh	8/29/2007	Churchill (.8 Mathematics)
Laura	Scheel	8/30/2006	Churchill (Science)
Eric	Schmidt	8/29/2007	Frost (.8 Social Studies)
Janet	Schultz	8/30/1999	Randolph (E.S.A.P.)
Nicole	Senko	11/24/2008	Hoover (Grade 3)
Michael	Shaw	8/24/2000	Holmes (Industrial Technology)
Angela	Sinelli	8/29/2007	Holmes (.5 Counselor) Churchill (.4 S.A.P.)
Meredith	Skowronski	8/29/2007	Holmes (.6 Science) Stevenson (.4 Science)
Lindsay	Smith	10/5/2009	Coolidge (Grade 4)
Matthew	Smith	9/23/2009	Churchill (.4 Vocal) Frost (.2) Band/(.4) Vocal
Meghann	Snyder	2/4/2008	Cass (.7 Resource Room) Cooper (.3 Resource Room)
Michelle	Taverner	8/24/2000	Extended LOA 2010-2011
Nancy	VanDenBerg	3/22/2010	Franklin (S.A.P.)
Kathryn	Varley	8/27/2002	Cleveland (Grade 2)
Ashley	Vreeland	10/5/2009	Grant (Grade 3)
Tracy	Weakley	1/8/2009	Perrinville (ECP Teacher)
Mary K.	Weaver	8/23/2001	Student Services (School Social Worker)
Shawn	Webster	8/25/2005	Cleveland (Title I Early Learning
Jennifer	Wilson	8/21/2003	Interventionist) Cass (Grade 1)
Ronald	Wilson	8/23/1996	LCTC (Industrial Technology)
Catherine	Wiser	11/3/2008	Webster (Special Education - MoCI
Donna	Wizinsky	9/1/2009	Program) Churchill (Special Education)
Mary	Wright	8/21/2003	LCTC (Fashion Merchandising)
Patricia Erin	Wysocki	2/2/2004	Garfield (Grade 1)
Katherine	Zellers	10/5/2009	Grant (Grade 4)
Loretta	Zimes	8/24/2000	Coolidge (E.S.A.P.)
Kimberly	Zimpleman	8/21/2003	Cleveland (Grade 3)
David	Zyczynski	9/2/2003	Webster (Grade 5/6)

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke

Nays: None

Abstain: Scheel (relative is on the list)

# Removal from Recall List

It was moved by Ms Burton and supported by Ms. Mang that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District **remove the following teachers from any form of a recall list** thereby eliminating them from any rights to future employment: **Maria Causin** and **Carissa Mayer**.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

# Authorization to Accept Resignations

It was moved by Ms. Mang and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District authorize the superintendent or designee to accept employee resignations on its behalf for the 2010-11 school year.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

# Teacher Recall Authorization

It was moved Mr. Lessard and supported by Mr. Freeman that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and authorize the superintendent or his designee to begin, as soon as circumstances permit, the recall procedure for teachers who are on layoff. Said authorization not to exceed 2010-11 staffing guidelines.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

# Sympathy Resolution – Randall Shepherd

It was moved by Mr. Freeman and unanimously supported by the Board that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the following sympathy resolution for the family of Randall Shepherd:

# SYMPATHY RESOLUTION Randall A. Shepherd

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Education was saddened to hear of the untimely death of Randall Shepherd; and,

**WHEREAS**, He was employed by the Livonia Public Schools School District as a custodian at Stevenson High School, Bentley High School, Kennedy Elementary School, Churchill High School; and as a boiler operator with the Maintenance Department from June 1975 to May 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, He consistently demonstrated his outstanding dedication to students, parents, and staff; and,

WHEREAS, Randall Shepherd will be profoundly missed by his colleagues and the

community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** That the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District offers its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Randall Shepherd.

First Reading of Board Policy MM – Public School Academies It was reported that the Policy Committee reviewed the proposed language for the new Board Policy MM—Public School Academies. This policy was provided to the Board for their review and possible adoption at the next regular Board meeting.

BOARD POLICY

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### **PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIES**

June 7, 2010

The Board believes that public school academies can serve an important function in the education of students as permitted by applicable law. In an effort to foster diversity of educational opportunity without sacrificing quality of education or unnecessarily duplicating existing educational opportunities, it shall be the policy of the Board to review or cause to be reviewed applications for contractual authorization of public school academies and to review the prospective applications of members proposed for the boards of directors thereof in accordance with Board Policy.

An entity interested in pursuing authorization of a public school academy through the District must submit an application in a form approved by the Superintendent's office.

All approved programs must have clearly defined educational goals, competent administration and staff to carry out those goals, and means and methods for ongoing evaluation of the program, sufficient financial resources, and will not be in conflict with the operation of the regular K-12 program.

The Superintendent or his designee shall review proposed applications and recommend approval, modification, amendment or rejection of the application to the Board for action.

The recommendation shall include as an information item the complete application. In reviewing whether to recommend the issuance of a contract to a proposed public school academy and whether to issue said contract, the Superintendent and Board, respectively, shall consider:

- the resources available for the proposed public school academy;
- the population to be served by the proposed public school academy;
- the educational goals to be achieved by the proposed public school academy;
- the impact any such academy will have on the regular K-12 program; and
- the applicant's track record, if any, in operating public school academies or other public schools.

The Superintendent shall be the Board's designee for purposes of effecting the purposes of this Policy and shall implement such guidelines as he deems necessary hereunder.

First Reading of Board Policy MMA – Public School It was reported that the Policy Committee reviewed the proposed language for the new Board Policy MMA—Public School Academies, Board of Directors: Method of Selection, Appointment, and Removal. This policy was provided to the Board for their review and possible adoption at the next

Academies Board of Directors regular Board meeting.

BOARD POLICY MMA

PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: METHOD OF
SELECTION, APPOINTMENT, AND REMOVAL

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The Board of Education declares that the method of selection, length of term, and number of board members of any approved academy shall be as follows.

# Method of Selection and Appointment

The Board of Education ("Board") shall prescribe the method of appointment for members of an academy's board of directors. The superintendent is authorized to develop and administer an academy board selection and appointment process that includes an *Application for Public School Academy Board Appointment* and is in accord with these policies:

- (a) The Board shall appoint the initial and subsequent academy board of directors by resolution, except as prescribed by subparagraph (d). The superintendent shall recommend qualified individuals to the Board.
- (b) The academy board of directors, by resolution and majority vote, shall nominate its subsequent members, except as provided otherwise. The academy board of directors shall recommend to the superintendent at least one nominee for each vacancy. Nominees shall submit the *Application for Public School Academy Board Appointment* for review by the superintendent. The superintendent may or may not recommend the appointment of a nominee submitted by the academy board. If the superintendent's office does not recommend the appointment of a nominee submitted by the academy board, he may select and recommend another nominee or may request the academy board submit a new nominee for consideration.
- (c) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy created other than by the expiration of a term shall be appointed for the unexpired term of that vacant position.
- (d) Under exigent conditions, and with the approval of the Board President, the superintendent may appoint a qualified individual to an academy's board of directors. All appointments made under this provision must be presented to the Board for final determination at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The Board reserves the right to review, rescind, modify, ratify, or approve any appointments made under this provision.

# Length of Term

The director of an academy board shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. Terms of the initial positions of the academy board of directors which shall be staggered in accordance with *The Academy Board of Directors Table of Staggered Terms and Appointments* established and administered by the director. Subsequent appointments shall be for a term of office not to exceed four (4) years, except as prescribed by *The Academy Board of Directors Table of Staggered Terms and Appointments*.

# Removal and Suspension

If the Board determines that an academy board member's service in office is no longer necessary, then the Board may remove an academy board member with or without cause and shall specify the date when the academy board member's service ends. An academy board member may also be removed from office by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the academy's board for cause.

With the approval of the Board President, the superintendent may suspend an academy board member's service, if in his/her judgment the person's continued presence would constitute a risk to persons or property, or would seriously impair the operation of the academy. Any suspension

made under this provision must be presented to the current Board for final determination at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The Board reserves the right to review, rescind, modify, ratify, or approve any suspensions made under this provision.

### **Number of Directors**

The number of members of the academy board of directors shall not be less than five (5) nor more than nine (9). If the academy board of directors fails to maintain its full membership by making appropriate and timely nominations, the Board or its designee may deem that failure an exigent condition.

# **Qualifications of Academy Board Members**

To be qualified to serve on an academy's board of directors, a person shall, among other things: (a) be a citizen of the United States; (b) be a resident of the state of Michigan; (c) submit all materials requested by the superintendent's office including, but not limited to, the *Application for Public School Academy Board Appointment* which must include authorization to process a criminal background check; and (d) annually submit a conflict of interest disclosure as prescribed by the superintendent.

The members of an academy board of directors shall not include: (a) employees of the academy; (b) any director, officer, or employee of a service provider or management company that contracts with the academy; (c) a District official or employee, as a representative of the District.

### Oath of Public Office

All members of the academy board of directors must take the constitutional oath of office and sign the *Oath of Public Office* before beginning their service. No appointment shall be effective prior to the filing of the *Oath of Public Office* with the District.

### Tenure

Each Director shall hold office until the Director's replacement, death, resignation, removal or until the expiration of the term, whichever occurs first.

# Resignation.

Any Director may resign at any time by providing written notice to the corporation or by communicating such intention (orally or in writing) to The Center. Notice of resignation will be effective upon receipt or at a subsequent time if designated in a written notice. A successor shall be appointed as provided in the Academy bylaws or applicable District policy.

### **Board Vacancies**

A Board of Director vacancy shall occur because of death, resignation, removal, failure to maintain residency in the State of Michigan, disqualification or as otherwise specified in the Code. Any vacancy shall be filled as provided in the Academy bylaws or applicable District policy.

# Compensation.

A Director of the Academy shall serve as a volunteer Director. By resolution of the Board, the Directors may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses incident to their duties.

Resolution – State School Aid Funding Needs It was moved by Mr. Freeman and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the following resolution requesting that all funds dedicated to the State School Aid Fund remain in the State School Aid Fund to support K-12 education and that 20j funds be restored.

**WHEREAS**, it is recognized that school districts across the state are facing an unprecedented funding crisis, and

**WHEREAS**, it has been necessary for school districts to reduce their budgets as a result of Michigan's economic decline, and

**WHEREAS**, it is recognized that public education is a priority for the citizens of Michigan and the cornerstone to economic development, and

**WHEREAS**, it is recognized that any resources available in the current economy that have been set aside for public education need to be maintained in order to eliminate additional educational funding cuts and possibly restore some of the recent funding cuts, and

**WHEREAS**, the most recent Revenue Estimating Conference in May, 2010 portrayed a better revenue picture for the State School Aid Fund than projected earlier in the year, and

**WHEREAS**, it is understood that this added funding will not resolve the state's school funding crisis but does improve the overall school funding picture in Michigan, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds are needed to offset some of the revenue loss school districts have experienced in recent years, and

**WHEREAS**, Livonia Public Schools has lost an estimated \$17 million projected by the January Revenue Consensus Conference and through 2009-2010 budget reductions, and

**WHEREAS**, the new revenue projections could restore a portion of these funding losses, and

**WHEREAS**, this restoration can only occur if funds dedicated to the State School Aid Fund remain in the State School Aid Fund, and

**WHEREAS**, it is recognized that the Senate School Aid Bill and the House School Aid Bill do not divert any School Aid funds for other purposes and restore a portion of 20j funding

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education supports the direction of the Senate and House, and requests that all funds dedicated to the State School Aid Fund remain there to support K-12 education and that 20j funds be restored.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

# Establishment of Organization Meeting

It was moved by Ms. Burton and supported by Ms. Mang that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District hold its annual **Organization Meeting** on **Friday**, **July 2**, **2010**, at **1:00 p.m.** in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

# Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Mr. Oke that the Regular

Meeting of June 7, 2010 be adjourned.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel

Nays: None

President Scheel adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

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