

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
Regular Meeting
March 15, 2010**

President Scheel convened the meeting at 7:36 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 Livonia Career Technical Center

Representatives from MEEMIC Insurance Company recognized Dr. Janet Haas, Principal of the Livonia Career Technical Center, for the successful work of the Career Center's school improvement team. As a winner in the 2008-2009 Ready, Set, Success! program, the Career Center received an award of \$500. Dr. Haas graciously accepted the award and thanked her staff for all they do. Ready, Set Success! recognizes the successful strategies of school improvement teams across the state.

Read Across America Board Resolution

It was moved by Mr. Freeman and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt a resolution recognizing the contributions made to children's literature by renowned author, Dr. Seuss, and the focus on reading to children. The *Read Across America Resolution* was offered by Mr. Freeman.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None

Recess

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Mr. Oke 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 7:52 p.m.

Reconvene

President Scheel reconvened the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

Written Communication

None

Audience

Loyd Romick, 33437 Michele Court, addressed the Board regarding Cabinet

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Communication

contracts.

Eileen McDonnell, 36099 Brookview, addressed the Board regarding financial matters.

Susan Sweetman, 35950 Six Mile Road, addressed the Board regarding her son.

Response to Prior Audience Communication

None

Consent Agenda

Ms. Scheel stated that Item VI.A. Bills for Payment—March 16, 2010, would be removed from the 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 Special Meeting of February 3, 2010

IV.B. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 8, 2010

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

Nays: None

NCA/AdvancED Accreditation Update

Sheila Alles, Director of Academic Services, shared an update regarding NCA/AdvancED accreditation. Ms. Alles relayed the progress the district has made in the areas that were recommended for improvement by the visiting QAR team last spring.

Bills for Payment – March 16, 2010

It was moved by Ms. Burton and supported by Mr. Freeman that General Fund check nos. 501905 through 502821 for \$7,260,803.04 be approved for payment and general fund wire transfers of \$5,911,749.85 and payroll direct deposit of \$6,491,807.98 be approved for total expenditures of \$19,664,360.87.

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

Nays: King

Bids for Door Replacements

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Ms. Mang that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the bids from IDN Door & Hardware in the amount of \$76,510.00 and Rayhaven Group in the amount of \$110,255.00 for a total amount of \$186,765.00 for door replacements and authorize the Director of Secondary Programs and Facilities to enter into such agreements necessary to affect this work.

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

Nays: None

Second Budget

It was moved by Ms. Burton and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of

**Amendments
for 2009-2010**

Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the amended budgets for the 2009-10 school year, as shown below: General Operating, Special Education Fund, Debt Retirement Fund, Building and Site Technology Fund, Technology Bond Fund, Sinking Fund Capital Projects Fund, Special Maintenance Fund, Food Service Fund, Health and Welfare Fund, Athletic Fund, Scholarship Fund, Funded Projects, and American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Fund.

**RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET ADOPTION
BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

RESOLVED, that the general appropriation for Livonia Public Schools for revenue for the fiscal year 2009-10 General Fund is amended as follows:

REVENUE	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
Local	\$ 38,851,936	\$ 38,224,957	\$ 38,030,657
State	110,693,789	97,564,313	99,094,817
Federal	355,000	5,087,434	5,116,962
Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	4,133,102	3,446,102	3,416,102
Total Revenue	\$ 154,033,827	\$ 144,322,806	\$ 145,658,538
Fund Balance - July 1, 2009 Unreserved	\$ 2,566,851	\$ 4,550,738	\$ 4,550,738
Fund Balance - July 1, 2009 Reserved	\$ 3,520,566	\$ 4,721,964	\$ 4,721,964
Fund Balance Sub Total	\$ 6,087,417	\$ 9,272,702	\$ 9,272,702
Total Fund Equity and Revenues Available to Appropriate	\$ 160,121,244	\$ 153,595,508	\$ 154,931,240

The property tax proposed to be levied to support General Fund Operating purposes is
.45 of a mill homestead and 18.00 mills non-homestead

**RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET ADOPTION
BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

RESOLVED, that the general appropriation for Livonia Public Schools for expenditures for the fiscal year 2009-10 General Fund is amended as follows:

EXPENDITURES	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
INSTRUCTION			
Basic Programs	\$ 76,186,402	\$ 77,254,703	\$ 75,971,308
Added Needs	12,862,686	11,992,524	11,655,641
Adult & Continuing Education	734,765	684,720	683,191
Total Instruction	\$ 89,783,853	\$ 89,931,947	\$ 88,310,140
SUPPORTING SERVICES			
Pupil	\$ 9,874,567	\$ 9,373,698	\$ 9,272,334
Instructional Staff	8,171,386	7,957,403	7,684,395
General Administration	1,031,230	1,040,912	1,003,835
School Administration	8,987,299	9,489,315	9,365,029
Business	3,738,597	3,752,189	3,655,325
Operations	16,890,868	16,270,034	15,669,856
Transportation	8,771,585	8,522,352	8,321,954
Central	2,581,143	2,630,090	2,568,550
Total Supporting Services	\$ 60,046,675	\$ 59,035,993	\$ 57,541,278
COMMUNITY SERVICES			
Custody & Child Care	\$ 2,867,110	\$ 2,658,707	\$ 2,632,928
Other (DARE)	7,000	7,000	7,000
Total Community Services	\$ 2,874,110	\$ 2,665,707	\$ 2,639,928
OPERATION TRANSFERS AND OTHER			
Transfers to Other Districts	\$ 58,000	\$ 58,000	\$ 58,000
Transfers to Other Funds	2,264,740	2,256,965	2,196,965
Other Transactions (Bus Financing)	189,791	189,791	189,791
Mid Year Reductions	-	(4,355,000)	-
Total Operating Transfers and Other	\$ 2,512,531	\$ (1,850,244)	\$ 2,444,756
TOTAL APPROPRIATED-GENERAL FUND	\$ 155,217,169	\$ 149,783,403	\$ 150,936,102
ANTICIPATED FUND BALANCE			
Unreserved	\$ 875,489	\$ 1,655,931	\$ 1,919,964
Reserved for Athletic Field Replacement	464,000	580,000	580,000
Reserved for Compensated Absences	1,660,097	-	-
Reserved for Textbooks/Curriculum	727,339	381,722	300,722
Reserved for Webster	1,177,150	1,194,452	1,194,452
Total Anticipated Fund Balance	\$ 4,904,075	\$ 3,812,105	\$ 3,995,138

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ 5,133,381	\$ 5,133,381
REVENUES			
General Fund Transfer-Local Programs	\$ 675,485	\$ 757,622	\$ 854,166
County	14,453,529	14,866,551	15,107,410
State	5,062,237	4,882,712	5,200,652
Total Revenue	\$ 20,191,251	\$ 20,506,885	\$ 21,162,228
EXPENDITURES			
Instructional	\$ 12,935,942	\$ 13,712,631	\$ 13,789,703
Support	5,941,760	6,043,671	6,156,133
Outgoing Transfers and Other	3,200,000	3,200,000	3,200,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 22,077,702	\$ 22,956,302	\$ 23,145,836
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (1,886,451)	\$ (2,449,417)	\$ (1,983,608)
FUND BALANCE	\$ (1,886,451)	\$ 2,683,964	\$ 3,149,773

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
PROGRAM COSTS			
Autistic	\$5,156,584	\$5,416,426	\$4,968,932
Skill Center	7,604,409	7,993,425	8,460,596
Trainable Mentally Impaired	5,675,180	5,787,267	5,921,073
Visually Impaired	1,616,117	1,791,042	1,809,882
Total Program Costs	\$20,052,290	\$20,988,160	\$21,160,483
INDIRECT COSTS			
Total Building Expenditures	\$665,636	\$678,950	\$678,950
11.64% Reimbursable Indirect Costs	(1,840,224)	(1,910,808)	(1,893,597)
Costs in Excess of Building Expense	(\$1,174,588)	(\$1,231,858)	(\$1,214,647)
OTHER			
Outgoing Transfer To General Fund	\$3,200,000	\$3,200,000	\$3,200,000
Total Expenditures	\$22,077,702	\$22,956,302	\$23,145,836

DEBT RETIREMENT FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 345,140	\$ 310,980	\$ 310,980
REVENUES			
Tax Revenues	\$ 8,762,646	\$ 8,673,123	\$ 8,673,123
Interest Income	20,000	20,000	1,000
Other Revenue	20,000	20,000	20,000
Total Revenue	\$ 8,802,646	\$ 8,713,123	\$ 8,694,123
EXPENDITURES			
Bond Redemption	\$ 3,900,000	\$ 3,900,000	\$ 3,900,000
Bond Interest	4,523,148	4,523,148	4,523,148
Other	150,000	150,000	250,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 8,573,148	\$ 8,573,148	\$ 8,673,148
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ 229,498	\$ 139,975	\$ 20,975
FUND BALANCE	\$ 574,638	\$ 450,955	\$ 331,955

NOTE: The property tax adopted to cover debt is 1.62 mills.

BUILDING & SITE TECHNOLOGY FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,345,537	\$ 2,449,660	\$ 2,449,660
REVENUES			
Interest Income	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Total Revenue	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
EXPENDITURES			
Technology Equipment	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (970,000)	\$ (970,000)	\$ (970,000)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,375,537	\$ 1,479,660	\$ 1,479,660

Funds to be used for "Five Year Technology Plan" and other technology purchases district wide.
Current year projects: Network Maintenance, upgrade network equipment, school computer labs,
COPS grant, other.

TECHNOLOGY BOND FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 117,838	\$ 244,252	\$ 244,252
REVENUES			
Interest Income	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
Total Revenue	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
EXPENDITURES			
Equipment	\$ 120,838	\$ 247,252	\$ 247,252
Total Expenditures	\$ 120,838	\$ 247,252	\$ 247,252
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (117,838)	\$ (244,252)	\$ (244,252)
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

SINKING FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ 8,586,791	\$ 8,586,791
REVENUES			
Property Taxes	\$ 5,996,233	\$ 5,996,233	\$ 5,996,233
Interest Income	2,000	2,000	2,000
Total Revenue	\$ 5,998,233	\$ 5,998,233	\$ 5,998,233
EXPENDITURES			
Repairs	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 6,000,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 6,000,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (1,767)	\$ (1,767)	\$ (1,767)
FUND BALANCE	\$ (1,767)	\$ 8,585,024	\$ 8,585,024

Current Year Projects may include; paving, cement, water mains, parking lot lights, storm sewers play structures, gym floors, major building renovations, boiler repair, tunnel work, sheet metal siding grading/drainage. Other work as needed throughout the year.

SPECIAL MAINTENANCE FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ 544,739	\$ 544,739
REVENUES			
Interest Income	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Total Revenue	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
EXPENDITURES			
Renovation	\$ 300,000	\$ 340,000	\$ 340,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 300,000	\$ 340,000	\$ 340,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (298,000)	\$ (338,000)	\$ (338,000)
FUND BALANCE	\$ (298,000)	\$ 206,739	\$ 206,739

NOTE: Funds to be used for maintenance projects including supplies and materials district wide. Due to budget reductions this fund will supplement General Fund maintenance costs for 2009-10.

FOOD SERVICE FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ 216,897	\$ 216,897
REVENUES			
Local Sales	\$ 2,325,500	\$ 2,403,278	\$ 2,373,334
State Reimbursement	117,000	160,095	160,095
Federal Reimbursement	1,104,896	1,007,171	1,007,171
General Fund Support	312,000	312,000	312,000
Total Revenue	\$ 3,859,396	\$ 3,882,544	\$ 3,852,600
EXPENDITURES			
Wages & Benefits	\$ 1,576,032	\$ 1,548,294	\$ 1,528,294
Contract Services	\$ 312,000	\$ 314,000	\$ 314,000
Food	1,699,110	1,777,634	1,777,634
Non-Food Cost	504,115	189,965	183,465
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,091,257	\$ 3,829,893	\$ 3,803,393
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (231,861)	\$ 52,651	\$ 49,207
FUND BALANCE	\$ (231,861)	\$ 269,548	\$ 266,104

HEALTH & WELFARE FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ 2,516,682	\$ 2,516,682
REVENUES			
Interest Income	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 25,000
Employee Transfers	450,000	877,000	1,000,000
Other Fund Transfers	5,360,739	5,002,171	5,022,640
General Fund Transfers	18,792,039	18,531,224	18,553,755
Total Revenue	\$ 24,702,778	\$ 24,510,395	\$ 24,601,395
EXPENDITURES			
Claims	\$ 18,933,500	\$ 18,688,500	\$ 18,688,500
Premiums	5,196,000	5,501,000	5,501,000
Administrative Fees	971,500	1,011,500	1,011,500
Total Expenditures	\$ 25,101,000	\$ 25,201,000	\$ 25,201,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (398,222)	\$ (690,605)	\$ (599,605)
FUND BALANCE	\$ (398,222)	\$ 1,826,077	\$ 1,917,077

Funds used to record costs of claims, fees and premiums for employees benefit costs.
Most of the costs are self-insured and final costs are not known until the year end.

ATHLETIC FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES			
Student Fees	\$ 439,000	\$ 439,000	\$ 447,000
Gate Receipts	240,000	240,000	240,000
General Fund Transfers	1,007,740	1,007,740	939,965
Total Revenue	\$ 1,686,740	\$ 1,686,740	\$ 1,626,965
EXPENDITURES			
Coaches/Director/Stipends	\$ 1,099,436	\$ 1,099,436	\$ 1,117,606
Contracted Services	100,200	100,200	210,950
Supplies/Equipment/Misc.	487,104	487,104	298,409
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,686,740	\$ 1,686,740	\$ 1,626,965
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

SCHOLARSHIP FUND BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 55,341	\$ 54,258	\$ 54,258
REVENUES			
Donations	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Interest Income	800	800	800
Total Revenue	\$ 2,300	\$ 2,300	\$ 2,300
EXPENDITURES			
Scholarships	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (1,700)	\$ (1,700)	\$ (1,700)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 53,641	\$ 52,558	\$ 52,558

FUNDED PROJECTS BUDGET

	09/10 PROPOSED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES			
General Fund Transfer	\$ 440,181	\$ 434,448	\$ 422,123
Local	871,282	845,561	871,913
State	283,325	349,029	300,024
Federal	10,183,401	7,498,636	7,647,944
Total Revenue	\$ 11,778,189	\$ 9,127,674	\$ 9,242,004
EXPENDITURES			
Instructional	\$ 8,453,744	\$ 5,570,179	\$ 5,553,616
Support	2,101,215	2,472,490	2,613,952
Community Service	83,138	83,547	86,692
Outgoing Transfers and Other	1,140,092	1,001,458	987,744
Total Expenditures	\$ 11,778,189	\$ 9,127,674	\$ 9,242,004
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

NOTE: Grants are budgeted at prior year levels until awards come in for the new year. The budget for ARRA (Federal Stimulus) funds projected for 2009-10 for IDEA and Title grants is reported separately.

REINVESTMENT (ARRA) FUND BUDGET

	09/10 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED	SECOND AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES			
Federal		2,990,429	4,916,479
Total Revenue	\$ -	\$ 2,990,429	\$ 4,916,479
EXPENDITURES			
Instructional		\$ 793,707	\$ 2,296,987
Support		2,146,312	2,524,075
Community Service		9,852	21,267
Outgoing Transfers and Other		40,558	74,150
Total Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 2,990,429	\$ 4,916,479
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

NOTE: When the proposed 09-10 budget was adopted in June, it included ARRA (Federal Stimulus) Funds. Because the ARRA funds are now reported in a separate fund, they are reported separately in the budget book.

We start the budget year assuming that the same grants will be funded based on the most recent information. The ARRA IDEA grant is a two-year grant. Budgeted amounts represent estimated costs for 2009-2010. Any unspent grant funds will be carried over to the 2010-2011 school year.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None

Resignations

Dorothy Chomicz, Director of Human Resources, informed the Board of Education that she accepted **resignations** from **Susan Harden, Stefanie Kley, and Tara Mellis**, effective **June 30, 2010**.

Retirements

It was moved by Mr. Oke 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:

Shirley Little, who has devoted 16.3 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a paraprofessional at Hull Elementary School, Randolph Elementary School, and Roosevelt Elementary School.

Carol Oribello, who has devoted 14.8 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a general helper and cook baker helper at Franklin High School.

Patricia Siedlaczek, who has devoted 25.4 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a general helper, kitchen manager, and cook baker I at Stevenson High School, Central Kitchen, and Western Wayne Skill Center.

Recall of Teacher

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 and recall to district employment as a teacher for the 2009-10 school year the person listed below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Wendy Kwiatkowski	(.4) Health Frost Middle School

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None

Approval of Teachers

It was moved by Ms. Mang and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of the Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 2009-10 school year to the following teachers: **Carrienne Braun, Kimberly Finney, Norman Klawender, Darci Licata, John Palmer**.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None

Resolution on Unfunded Mandates

It was moved by Ms. Mang and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the resolution below in support of the findings and recommendations of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates.

**SUPPORT OF THE FINAL REPORT OF THE
LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON STATUTORY MANDATES**

WHEREAS the electorate of the State of Michigan passed an amendment in November 1978 to the State's Constitution that required the State to fund mandates imposed on local units of government (often referred to as the "Headlee Amendment"); and

WHEREAS the Headlee Amendment (Article IX, Section 29) states:
"The state is hereby prohibited from reducing the state financed proportion of the necessary costs of any existing activity or service required of units of Local Government by state law. A new activity or service or an increase in the level of any activity or service beyond that required by existing law shall not be required by the legislature or any state agency of units of Local Government, unless a state appropriation is made and disbursed to pay the unit of Local Government for any necessary increased costs. The provision of this section shall not apply to costs incurred pursuant to Article VI, Section 18."

WHEREAS the Headlee Amendment became effective on December 23, 1978; and
WHEREAS the State Legislature established the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates (LCSM) through P.A. 98 of 2007, as amended by P.A. 356 of 2008 and assigned the LCSM to identify mandates (including those involving reports) and the related cost of the mandates to local units of government, along with recommendations to resolve the unfunded mandates; and

WHEREAS the LCSM worked with the Citizens Research Council (issued an analysis of other state's statutes and constitutional requirements similar to the Headlee Amendment) and local units of government associations, including the Michigan School Business Officials and Michigan Association of School Administrators.

WHEREAS the LCSM issued a report in June 2009 entitled "Interim Report of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates" that indicated, among other matters, that the State had failed to enact legislation enabling the Headlee Amendment and has not complied with the Headlee Amendment since its adoption in 1978; and

WHEREAS the LCSM completed its report in December 2009 entitled "Final Report of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates" that reaffirms the Interim Report results and provides recommendations, including but not limited to:

- Drafted legislation and court rules that would mitigate unfunded mandates imposed on local units of government in the future.
- Proposed procedures that will prevent new unfunded mandates from being imposed on local units of government.
- Proposed procedures that would be corrective should unfunded mandates be imposed that include, among other requirements:
 - A submission of an action before the Court of Appeals to be heard by a special master in order to rule on whether the matter is a mandate and if the mandate is underfunded.

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- Require the Court of Appeals to rule on the above within six months of the filing.
- Should the Court of Appeals not rule on the above within six months, the local unit of government would have no obligation to continue to provide the services until such time as the State complies with the Headlee Amendment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Livonia Public Schools School District Board of Education supports the findings and recommendations in the interim and final reports of the Legislative Commission on Statutory Mandates and encourages the Governor, Legislature and Supreme Court to adopt and enact the recommendations cited in the final report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Livonia Public Schools School District Board of Education approves the release of this resolution to be distributed to the Governor, Legislators and Supreme Court.

Robert J. Freeman, Secretary
Livonia Public Schools Board of Education

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None

Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Oke and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Regular Meeting of March 15, 2010 be adjourned.

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, King, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None

President Scheel adjourned the meeting at 9:31 p.m.