

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
Regular Meeting
December 6, 2010**

President Scheel convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia.

- Members Present** Colleen Burton, Robert Freeman, Mark Johnson, Daniel Lessard, Patrice Mang, Gregory Oke (arrived 7:44 p.m.), Lynda Scheel
- Members Absent** None
- Swimming State Champions** It was moved by Mr. Freeman and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt resolutions recognizing Kayla Douglas, a senior at Franklin High School, for achieving the 2010 Michigan High School Athletic Association 100 Yard Backstroke Swimming State Championship and Savannah Hatt, a senior at Stevenson High School, for achieving the 2010 Michigan High School Athletic Association 500 Yard Freestyle Swimming State Championship.
- Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Johnson, Lessard, Mang, Scheel
Nays: None
- Gift – Livonia Historical Society** It was moved by Ms. Burton and supported by Ms. Mang that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the generous gift of up to \$8,000 from Livonia Historical Society for third grade students to tour and visit Greenmead Historical Village.
- Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Johnson, Lessard, Mang, Scheel
Nays: None
- Recess** It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Mr. Johnson that the Board take a short recess to visit with guests.
- Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Johnson, Lessard, Mang, Scheel
Nays: None
- The Board recessed at 7:20 p.m.
- Reconvene** The Board reconvened at 7:28 p.m.
- Written Communications** None

**Audience
Communication** None

**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 November 15, 2010
- VI.A. Bills for Payment—December 7, 2010
- VI.B. Approval of Resolution for Summer 2011 Tax Collection

Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Johnson, Lessard, Mang, Scheel
Nays: None

CLASS Sheila Alles, Director of Academic Services, introduced a presentation showcasing this year's CLASS (Continuous Learning And Student Assessment) program -- Units of Study for Teaching Writing. This K-6 curriculum was developed by LPS teachers under the leadership of the district's elementary literacy leadership team. Mrs. Alles thanked everyone involved in CLASS for their talent, creativity, and dedication.

Mr. Oke arrived at 7:44 p.m.

**Approval of
2010-2011 First
Budget
Amendments** It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Mr. Freeman that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the following amended budgets for the 2010-11 school year: 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.



2010-11
First Amended
General Fund and
District Budgets

November 2010

**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 2010-11 General Fund is amended as follows:

REVENUE	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
Local	\$ 35,204,334	\$ 34,939,169
State	\$ 102,651,574	101,993,091
Federal	\$ 384,528	2,326,436
Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	\$ 3,664,102	3,710,102
Total Revenue	\$ 141,904,538	\$ 142,968,798
Fund Balance - July 1, 2010 Unreserved	\$ 2,000,331	\$ 3,385,749
Fund Balance - July 1, 2010 Reserved	\$ 2,775,174	\$ 3,328,269
Fund Balance Sub Total	\$ 4,775,505	\$ 6,714,018
Total Fund Equity and Revenues Available to Appropriate	\$ 146,680,043	\$ 149,682,816

The property tax approved to be levied to support General Fund Operating purposes is .51 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 2010-11 General Fund is amended as follows:

EXPENDITURES	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
INSTRUCTION		
Basic Programs	\$ 74,098,866	\$ 74,925,529
Added Needs	\$ 11,833,910	11,666,538
Adult & Continuing Education	\$ 629,483	708,628
Total Instruction	\$ 86,562,259	\$ 87,300,695
SUPPORTING SERVICES		
Pupil	\$ 9,003,532	\$ 9,055,091
Instructional Staff	\$ 6,859,588	7,136,841
General Administration	\$ 1,014,457	999,073
School Administration	\$ 9,207,983	9,225,967
Business	\$ 3,585,311	3,296,076
Operations	\$ 15,043,650	15,086,009
Transportation	\$ 7,850,335	8,041,800
Central	\$ 2,498,967	2,502,211
Total Supporting Services	\$ 55,063,823	\$ 55,343,068
COMMUNITY SERVICES		
Custody & Child Care	\$ 2,612,836	\$ 2,450,090
Other (DARE)	\$ 7,000	7,000
Total Community Services	\$ 2,619,836	\$ 2,457,090
OPERATION TRANSFERS AND OTHER		
Transfers to Other Districts	\$ 58,000	\$ 50,000
Transfers to Other Funds	\$ 1,629,393	1,938,755
Other Transactions (Bus Financing)	\$ 189,791	189,791
Mid Year Reductions		-
Total Operating Transfers and Other	\$ 1,877,184	\$ 2,178,546
TOTAL APPROPRIATED-GENERAL FUND	\$ 146,123,102	\$ 147,279,399
ANTICIPATED FUND BALANCE		
Unreserved	\$ 556,941	\$ 2,403,417
Reserved for Athletic Field Replacement	\$	\$
Reserved for Compensated Absences	\$	\$
Reserved for Textbooks/Curriculum	\$	\$
Reserved for Webster	\$	\$
Total Anticipated Fund Balance	\$ 556,941	\$ 2,403,417

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 3,135,090	\$ 3,345,548
REVENUES		
General Fund Transfer-Local Programs	\$ 742,984	\$ 1,009,809
County	\$ 15,299,644	16,361,290
State	\$ 5,389,587	5,548,601
Total Revenue	\$ 21,432,215	\$ 22,919,700
EXPENDITURES		
Instructional	\$ 14,017,462	\$ 15,366,086
Support	\$ 6,137,483	6,435,457
Outgoing Transfers and Other	\$ 3,200,000	3,200,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 23,354,945	\$ 25,001,543
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (1,922,730)	\$ (2,081,843)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,212,360	\$ 1,263,705

NOTE: Special Education is estimated for the proposed budget until exact budget details are determined based on actual student enrollment and placements.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
PROGRAM COSTS		
Autistic	\$ 5,327,228	\$ 5,405,816
Skill Center	\$ 8,571,054	\$ 9,807,651
Trainable Mentally Impaired	\$ 5,807,001	\$ 6,120,183
Visually Impaired	\$ 1,726,932	\$ 1,745,163
Total Program Costs	\$ 21,432,215	\$ 23,078,813
INDIRECT COSTS		
Total Building Expenditures	\$ 683,010	\$ 683,010
11.64% Reimbursable Indirect Costs	\$ (1,960,280)	\$ (1,960,280)
Costs in Excess of Building Expense	\$ (1,277,270)	\$ (1,277,270)
OTHER		
Outgoing Transfer To General Fund	\$ 3,200,000	\$ 3,200,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 23,354,945	\$ 25,001,543

DEBT RETIREMENT FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 331,955	\$ 554,249
REVENUES		
Tax Revenues	\$ 8,723,204	\$ 8,723,204
Interest Income	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Other Revenue	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Total Revenue	\$ 8,744,204	\$ 8,744,204
EXPENDITURES		
Bond Redemption	\$ 4,200,000	\$ 4,200,000
Bond Interest	\$ 4,391,825	\$ 4,391,825
Other	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 8,841,825	\$ 8,841,825
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (97,621)	\$ (97,621)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 234,334	\$ 456,628

NOTE: The property tax adopted to cover debt is 1.99 mills.

HISTORICAL & FUTURE DEBT RETIREMENT NEEDS

YEAR		INTEREST	PRINCIPAL	TOTAL	BALANCE		PRIOR EXISTING DEBT	REFINANCING SAVINGS
23	02/03				\$ 180,757,195	100%	\$ 180,757,195	\$ -
22	03/04	\$ 2,544,418	\$ 3,691,347	\$ 6,235,765	174,521,430	97%	6,039,793	(195,972)
21	04/05	5,060,979	2,524,696	\$ 7,585,675	166,935,755	92%	7,548,744	(36,931)
20	05/06	5,209,870	2,478,518	\$ 7,688,388	159,247,367	88%	7,822,111	133,723
19	06/07	5,689,885	2,401,542	\$ 8,091,427	151,155,940	84%	8,005,411	(86,016)
18	07/08	6,143,934	1,929,891	\$ 8,073,825	143,082,115	79%	8,205,338	131,513
17	08/09	6,320,108	1,932,062	\$ 8,252,170	134,829,945	75%	8,434,264	182,094
16	09/10	4,523,148	3,900,000	\$ 8,423,148	126,406,797	70%	8,646,713	223,565
15	10/11	4,391,825	4,200,000	\$ 8,591,825	117,814,972	65%	9,002,894	411,069
14	11/12	4,182,735	4,570,000	\$ 8,752,735	109,062,237	60%	9,264,651	511,916
13	12/13	3,955,177	4,955,000	\$ 8,910,177	100,152,060	55%	9,520,576	610,399
12	13/14	3,708,435	5,345,000	\$ 9,053,435	91,098,625	50%	9,779,551	726,116
11	14/15	3,442,225	5,750,000	\$ 9,192,225	81,906,400	45%	10,034,006	841,781
10	15/16	3,154,725	6,160,000	\$ 9,314,725	72,591,675	40%	10,337,320	1,022,595
9	16/17	2,846,725	6,590,000	\$ 9,436,725	63,154,950	35%	10,446,256	1,009,531
8	17/18	2,517,225	6,965,000	\$ 9,482,225	53,672,725	30%	10,664,639	1,182,414
7	18/19	2,202,850	7,305,000	\$ 9,507,850	44,164,875	24%	10,835,038	1,327,188
6	19/20	1,873,125	7,635,000	\$ 9,508,125	34,656,750	19%	10,908,282	1,400,157
5	20/21	1,528,500	7,910,000	\$ 9,438,500	25,218,250	14%	10,897,944	1,459,444
4	21/22	1,133,000	8,385,000	\$ 9,518,000	15,700,250	9%	10,867,757	1,349,757
3	22/23	713,750	4,785,000	\$ 5,498,750	10,201,500	6%	5,500,438	1,688
2	23/24	474,500	4,750,000	\$ 5,224,500	4,977,000	3%	5,225,782	1,282
1	24/25	237,000	4,740,000	\$ 4,977,000	-	0%	4,976,109	(891)
		\$ 71,854,139	\$ 108,903,056	\$ 180,757,195			\$ 192,963,617	\$ 12,206,422

BUILDING & SITE TECHNOLOGY FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,151,660	\$ 2,292,624
REVENUES		
Interest Income	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Total Revenue	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
EXPENDITURES		
Technology Equipment	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,500,000
Transfer to General Fund	\$ 248,000	\$ 248,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,248,000	\$ 1,748,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (1,246,000)	\$ (1,746,000)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 905,660	\$ 546,624

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, other.

TECHNOLOGY BOND FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 244,252	\$ 156,992
REVENUES		
Interest Income	\$ -	\$ 2,000
Total Revenue	\$ -	\$ 2,000
EXPENDITURES		
Equipment	\$ 244,252	\$ 158,992
Total Expenditures	\$ 244,252	\$ 158,992
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (244,252)	\$ (156,992)
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -

SINKING FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 5,853,524	\$ 9,949,727
REVENUES		
Property Taxes	\$ 5,260,244	\$ 5,260,244
Interest Income	\$ 500	\$ 500
Total Revenue	\$ 5,260,744	\$ 5,260,744
EXPENDITURES		
Repairs	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 8,000,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 6,000,000	\$ 8,000,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (739,256)	\$ (2,739,256)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 5,114,268	\$ 7,210,471

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, and other work as needed throughout the year.

NOTE: The approved property tax levy for the sinking fund is 1.120 mills.

SPECIAL MAINTENANCE FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 244,739	\$ 329,456
REVENUES		
Interest Income	\$ -	\$ 2,000
Total Revenue	\$ -	\$ 2,000
EXPENDITURES		
Renovation	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (200,000)	\$ (198,000)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 44,739	\$ 131,456

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 2010-11.

FOOD SERVICE FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 244,534	\$ 281,916
REVENUES		
Local Sales	\$ 2,076,555	\$ 1,914,318
State Reimbursement	\$ 160,095	161,518
Federal Reimbursement	\$ 1,258,099	1,413,169
General Fund Support	\$ 152,000	192,000
Total Revenue	\$ 3,646,749	\$ 3,681,005
EXPENDITURES		
Wages & Benefits	\$ 1,444,149	\$ 1,484,044
Contracted Services	\$ 313,100	\$ 313,100
Food	\$ 1,608,000	1,652,789
Non-Food Cost	\$ 232,809	187,500
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,598,058	\$ 3,637,433
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ 48,691	\$ 43,572
FUND BALANCE	\$ 293,225	\$ 325,488

HEALTH & WELFARE FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,132,860	\$ 960,208
REVENUES		
Employee Transfers	\$ 450,000	1,600,000
Other Fund Transfers	\$ 5,497,739	4,840,362
General Fund Transfers	\$ 19,792,039	18,717,761
Total Revenue	\$ 25,739,778	\$ 25,158,123
EXPENDITURES		
Claims	\$ 20,130,500	\$ 19,093,110
Premiums	\$ 5,196,000	5,409,957
Administrative Fees	\$ 971,500	1,115,959
Total Expenditures	\$ 26,298,000	\$ 25,619,026
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (558,222)	\$ (460,903)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 1,574,638	\$ 499,305

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

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES		
Student Fees	\$ 645,201	\$ 645,201
Gate Receipts	\$ 240,000	\$ 240,000
General Fund Transfers	\$ 530,755	575,755
Total Revenue	\$ 1,415,956	\$ 1,460,956
EXPENDITURES		
Coaches/Director/Stipends	\$ 1,074,996	\$ 1,085,268
Contracted Services	\$ 136,651	127,650
Supplies/Equipment/Misc.	\$ 204,309	248,038
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,415,956	\$ 1,460,956
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -

SCHOLARSHIP FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 50,858	\$ 51,734
REVENUES		
Donations	\$ 500	\$ 500
Interest Income	\$ 100	800
Total Revenue	\$ 600	\$ 1,300
EXPENDITURES		
Scholarships	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ (3,400)	\$ (2,700)
FUND BALANCE	\$ 47,458	\$ 49,034

FUNDED PROJECTS BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES		
General Fund Transfer	\$ 432,833	\$ 417,237
Local	\$ 873,393	778,052
State	\$ 252,181	355,317
Federal	\$ 6,976,738	7,490,697
Total Revenue	\$ 8,535,145	\$ 9,041,303
EXPENDITURES		
Instructional	\$ 5,396,468	\$ 5,781,761
Support	\$ 2,108,446	2,300,894
Community Service	\$ 74,033	74,668
Outgoing Transfers and Other	\$ 956,198	883,980
Total Expenditures	\$ 8,535,145	\$ 9,041,303
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -

NOTE: Grants are budgeted at prior year levels until awards come in for the new year.

REINVESTMENT (ARRA) FUND BUDGET

	10/11 ADOPTED	FIRST AMENDED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -
REVENUES		
Federal	\$ 630,879	1,578,196
Total Revenue	\$ 630,879	\$ 1,578,196
EXPENDITURES		
Instructional	\$ -	\$ 374,679
Support	\$ 619,240	1,170,439
Community Service	\$ -	3,556
Outgoing Transfers and Other	\$ 11,639	29,522
Total Expenditures	\$ 630,879	\$ 1,578,196
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) REVENUE	\$ -	\$ -
FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -

NOTE: This is year two and the final year for ARRA (Federal Stimulus) Funds.

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

**Approval of
HVAC Bids for
Board Office**

It was moved by Mr. Johnson and supported by Mr. Oke that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District approve the bid from Johnson & Wood L.L.C. in the amount of \$396,038 for renovation of the HVAC at Central Office.

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

**Approval of
Teacher**

It was moved by Ms. Burton and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 2010-2011 school year to **Jessica Garrett**.

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

**Teacher for
Tenure**

It was moved by Ms. Mang and supported by Mr. Freeman that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the recommendation of the superintendent and grant tenure status to **Shawn Webster**, effective 12/14/10.

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

Retirements

It was moved by Mr. Lessard 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:

Linda Armstrong, who retired from the district on November 30, 2010 and has devoted 11.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian, assistant building supervisor, and building supervisor at Franklin High School, Nankin Mills Elementary School, Johnson Elementary School, Washington Elementary School, Dickinson Center, and the Central Office Complex.

Howard S. Dickie, who will retire from the district on January 31, 2011 and has devoted 37.10 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian at Frost Junior High School and Bryant Junior High School; assistant head custodian at Whitman Junior High School, Dickinson Junior High School, Clay Elementary School, and Lowell Middle School; assistant supervisor of Plant Operations; and as Supervisor of Transportation.

Mary Grace, who retired from the district on November 30, 2010 and has devoted 10.3 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a bus driver with the Transportation Department.

Ellen Stefaniak, who will retire from the district on January 28, 2011 and has devoted 22.5 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a special education teacher and program specialist at Churchill High School and Webster Elementary School.

First Reading of Board Policy IHF-Instructional Programs, Graduation Requirements

It was reported by Mr. Oke, chair of the Policy Committee, that the Policy Committee has reviewed the new language for Board Policy IHF – Instructional Programs, Graduation Requirements. The suggested changes to these policies were provided to the Board for their review and possible adoption at the next regular Board meeting.

BOARD POLICY

IHF

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS

~~**JANUARY 15, 2007**~~

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS—CLASSES OF 2011 AND BEYOND

1. Number of Classes: Each student shall be registered as a full time student for a minimum of eight (8) semesters. Exceptions for the second semester of the senior year for which special schedule arrangements are necessary may be approved by the principals.
2. Credit Requirements: A minimum of 23 units of credit must be successfully earned.
3. Credit Earned Prior to High School: A student who, prior to entering high school, successfully completes a course within the Livonia Public Schools at a Michigan public school that is aligned with the high school course content expectations will earn credit toward fulfilling the graduation requirements. A list of courses for which this applies will be maintained by the Office of Instruction. Grades for these courses will not be used in the calculation of the student's high school grade point average.
4. Common Learnings: Each student is required to earn a minimum of 16 credits in the area of common learnings outlined below:
 A minimum of sixteen (16) units of credit must be earned in the following areas:
 - A. Language Arts (Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12) 4.0 units
 - 1 unit Language Arts 9
 - 1 unit Language Arts 10
 - 1 unit Language Arts 11 **electives**
 - 1 unit ~~Additional Language Arts Classes~~ **Language Arts 12 electives**
 - B. Mathematics 4.0 units
4 units of mathematics which must include **at least** Geometry, Algebra I and Algebra II (or an equivalent) with a math or math-related class in the final year.
 - C. Science 3.0 units
 - 1 unit Biology
 - 1 unit Chemistry
 - 1 unit Physics/Physical Science
 - D. Social Studies 3.0 units
 - 1 unit World History
 - 1 unit U.S. History
 - 0.5 unit American Government
 - 0.5 unit-Economics
 - E. Physical Education. 1.0 unit
 - 0.5 unit Personal Fitness
 - 0.5 unit Health
 - F. Visual, Performing, and/or Applied Arts. 1.0 unit

TOTAL 16 units
5. Electives: Of the 23 units required for graduation, 7 units of credit may be electives.
6. Online Learning Experience: Students are required to experience twenty (20) hours of online learning. The requirement will be met through online experiences provided in high school core required courses.
7. Personal Curriculum Plan: A personal curriculum plan may be developed for a student in which graduation requirements are modified in accordance with the state mandated Michigan Merit Curriculum.

8. Testing Out: A student will receive credit for a Michigan Merit curriculum course in which the student earns a qualifying score on the test out that measures a student's understanding of the subject area content expectations that apply to the credit. Test out scores will not be used to calculate grade point average. Testing out is not a credit recovery option.
9. Required Testing: As a requirement for graduation, a high school student must participate in all state or federal academic testing programs which the School District is required to administer, unless otherwise indicated in an Individualized Education Program (IEP), a Section 504 Plan, or similar program of services. A high school student's failure to meet this requirement will render him/her ineligible for a high school diploma, and will preclude that student's participation in graduation commencement exercises. Any deviation from this requirement must be approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee.
10. Early Graduation: If a student meets all other requirements, approval for early graduation may be granted at the end of seven (7) semesters. To apply for early graduation, the Application for Early Graduation and a letter to the principal must be completed by the end of the first card marking of the student's senior year. Approval for early graduation will be contingent upon educational experiences or training in high school which have afforded the student early entry into college or an advanced training program, a concrete job offer utilizing these educational experiences, or family financial need. Diplomas will be issued in June.

**Approval of
Resolution to
Change Regular
School Election
Date to
November**

It was moved by Mr. Johnson and supported by Mr. Oke that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the following resolution to change its regular school election date to November of each year commencing with the year 2011, thereby extending the term of each Board member to December 31 of each year beginning in 2011.

Livonia Public Schools School District, Wayne County, Michigan (the "District").

A regular meeting of the board of education (the "Board") of the District was held in the _____, in the District, on the 6th day of December, 2010 at _____ o'clock in the _____.

The meeting was called to order by _____, President.

Present: Members

Absent: Members

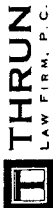
The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member _____ and supported by Member _____:

WHEREAS:

1. The Board of Education has previously determined to conduct its regular school elections on the May regular election date, annually; and
2. The Board of Education has considered the advantages and disadvantages of a November or May election cycle; and
3. Public notice of the meeting at which the change in regular election date was to be considered has been given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of MCL 168.642a(4), the Board of Education does hereby determine to conduct its regular school election every year in November commencing with the year 2011; and
2. The Board of Education hereby determines that the terms of each office shall be extended to December 31 of each year beginning in 2011 for the purpose of establishing a board member term rotation; and



3. A copy of this resolution shall be filed with the Wayne County Clerk, and the Michigan Secretary of State; and

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions that conflict with the provisions of this resolution are rescinded.

Ayes: Members

Nays: Members

Resolution declared adopted.

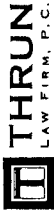
Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of the District certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board at a regular meeting held on December 6, 2010, the original of which resolution is a part of the Board's minutes and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended.

Secretary, Board of Education

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*(Every Year November Election)
2-2-2-1 Cycle*

Livonia Public Schools, Wayne County, Michigan

Board Member Rotation Schedule

Existing Terms

Seat A - Freeman - term expires June 30, 2011
Seat B - Schell - term expires June 30, 2011
Seat C - Mang - term expires June 30, 2012
Seat D - Oke - term expires June 30, 2012
Seat E - Burton - term expires June 30, 2013
Seat F - Lessard - term June 30, 2013
Seat G - Johnson - term expires June 30, 2014

Board Member Extension of Terms to Every Year November Election

Seats A & B extended 6 months to December 31, 2011
Seats C & D extended 6 months to December 31, 2012
Seats E & F extended 6 months to December 31, 2013
Seat G extended 6 months to December 31, 2014

New Regular Election Dates

November 8, 2011 – Seats A & B
November 6, 2012 – Seats C & D
November 5, 2013 – Seats E & F
November 4, 2014 – Seat G

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

Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Ms. Mang that the Regular Meeting of December 6, 2010 be adjourned.

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

President Scheel adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Off/Supt/jw