

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
Regular Meeting
November 15, 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, Lynda Scheel
- Members Absent** None
- Teachers of the Year** It was moved by Ms. Burton and supported by Ms. Mang that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt resolutions for 2010-2011 Teachers of the Year: **Matthew Bentley**, physical education teacher at **Riley Upper Elementary School** and **Mary Helen Diegel**, history teacher at **Franklin High School**.
- Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Johnson, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None
- American Education Week** It was moved by Mr. Johnson and supported by Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District designate November 14-20, 2010, as the 89th annual observance of American Education Week.
- Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Johnson, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None
- Recess** It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Ms. Burton that the Board take a short recess to visit with guests.
- Ayes: Burton, Freeman, Johnson, Lessard, Mang, Oke, Scheel
Nays: None
- The Board recessed at 7:35 p.m.
- Reconvene** The Board reconvened at 7:47 p.m.
- Written Communications** None
- Audience Communication** **Loyd Romick**, 33437 Michelle Ct., addressed the Board regarding his FOIA request, elections, and 20j funds.
Mark Wojcik, 14453 Park, addressed the Board regarding transportation

and fund equity.

Eileen McDonnell, 36099 Brookview, addressed the Board regarding her FOIA request and the audit.

Tom Burr, 30120 Lyndon, addressed the Board regarding the outstanding staff at Franklin and the superintendent's compensation.

Jeff Wiggins, 14667 Country Club, addressed the Board and community, noting that when people disagree with a decision the Board makes they should voice their concern respectfully.

**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 October 18, 2010

IV.B. Minutes of the Special Meeting of October 18, 2010

IV.C. Minutes of the Closed Meeting of October 18, 2010

IV.D. Minutes of the Special Meeting of October 25, 2010

IV.E. Minutes of the Closed Meeting of October 25, 2010

V.A. Great Start Readiness Program State Aid Participation Resolution

VI.A. Bills for Payment—November 16, 2010

VI.B. Approval to Purchase Scanning Software to Utilize CLASS A for Student Test Data Analysis

VI.C. Approval of Bid for the Demolition of the Old Perrinville School Building

VI.D. Approval of Food Service Pizza Bid Recommendation

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

Nays: None

**Approval of
2009-2010 Audit
Report**

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Ms. Burton that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District accept the 2009-2010 audit report as presented by the audit firm of Yeo & Yeo.

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

Nays: None

**Approval of
Teachers**

It was moved by Ms. Mang and supported by Mr. Oke 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 the following teachers: **Cynthia Harrington** and **Thomas Miskinis**.

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

Retirements

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

Pamela Dahlin retired from the district on October 31, 2010 and has devoted 22.2 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a custodian at Bryant Center, Adams Elementary School, Taylor Elementary School, and Western Wayne Skill Center.

Patricia Griffin will retire from the district on November 30, 2010 and has devoted 15.2 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the students of Coolidge Elementary School, McKinley Elementary School, and Grant Elementary School as a teacher.

Archina Yoo will retire from the district on November 30, 2010 and has devoted 19.7 years of dedicated, loyal, and outstanding service to the Livonia Public Schools as a para-professional at Webster Elementary School, Riley Middle School, and Emerson Middle School.

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

Schedule Public Hearing for Proposed Change to Elections

It was moved by Mr. Johnson and supported by Ms. Mang that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District adopt the following resolution to schedule a public hearing regarding the proposed change to the election date for Livonia Public Schools' Board of Education.

Resolution No. 1
(To be adopted prior to public hearing)

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 15th day of November, 2010, at _____ o'clock in the _____.

The meeting was called to order by _____, President.

Present: Members

Absent: Members

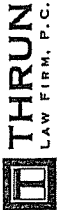
The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member _____ and supported by Member _____:

WHEREAS:

1. The Consolidated Election Laws enacted in December of 2003 and amended in July 2005, authorize the Board to redetermine a regular election date from the dates authorized within the statute; and
2. The Board desires to consider a new regular election date for the District; and
3. The Board is required to give notice of a hearing in connection with the establishment of the date and to adopt a resolution establishing the date before December 31, 2010.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Board does hereby determine to consider a new regular election date as provided by law and to hold a public hearing in connection with the establishment of the date.
2. The Board does hereby authorize the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing to establish a regular election date, said hearing to be held on December 6, 2010.
3. The Board does hereby determine that the Notice attached hereto as Exhibit A shall be published as a display ad at least two (2) columns wide in a newspaper of general circulation in the District one time on or before November 30, 2010, and does further determine that publication is the form of notice calculated to reach the largest number of the District's qualified electors in a timely fashion.



4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Members

Nays: Members

Motion declared adopted.

Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Livonia Public Schools School District, Wayne County, State of Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board at a regular meeting held on November 15, 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

BJB/djp

W:\WDSsystem\WDDocs\cliedoc\128\4\00589234.WPD

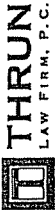


EXHIBIT "A"

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TO ESTABLISH A REGULAR ELECTION DATE

Please take notice that pursuant to the provisions of the Consolidated Election Law, as amended, the Board of Education of Livonia Public Schools School District, Wayne County, State of Michigan, will conduct a public hearing on the establishment of a new regular election date pursuant to law.

The dates authorized by current law for school regular elections are:

- (a) The November general election date (even years)
- (b) The November general election date (odd years)
- (c) The November general election date in both even and odd years.
- (d) The May regular election date in both even and odd years.
- (e) The odd year May regular election date.

The Board will discuss and consider option (c) above for regular school election dates at the public hearing.

Establishment of a new regular election date will result in the term of office of current school board members being extended to fit the new election cycle.

The hearing will be held in the Board of Education meeting room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan in the district at 6:30 o'clock in the p.m. on the 6th day of December, 2010.

If the Board of Education fails to approve the tentative election date or any other date authorized by law, the regular election will continue to be held at the May general election annually, continuing with May 2011.

The Board of Education is authorized by law to adopt a resolution setting the regular election date immediately subsequent to the public hearing.

Secretary, Board of Education

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

Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Lessard and supported by Ms. Mang that the Regular Meeting of November 15, 2010 be adjourned.

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

President Scheel adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Off/Supt/jw