## BOARD OF EDUCATION GLADSTONE AREA SCHOOLS

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## **MINUTES**

Cameron Elementary School 803 North 29<sup>th</sup> Gladstone, MI 49837

The regular meeting of the Gladstone Area Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, November 18, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cameron Elementary School Library.

The meeting was called to order by Linda Howlett at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Paul Capodilupo, Tom Harrell, Linda Howlett, Ryan Lyle, Steve O'Driscoll,

Steve Tackman

Members Absent:

Richard Anderson

Administrative:

Jay Kulbertis, Dave Ballard, Kristina Hansen, Donna Flannery, Lori Wells, Pam

Durbin, Harold Flagstadt, Mike Macfarlane, Karen Fisher

The list of guests is recorded in the Administrative Office as part of the minute book.

Paul Capodilupo commented that the Middle School basketball numbers looked about 19-20 students. All students were showing interest and putting an effort to stay on the team. Ryan Lyle congratulated Riley Ballard and Chris Richer on making All U.P. in football.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by Steve O'Driscoll and supported by Steve Tackman. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Steve O'Driscoll nominated Steve Tackman for Secretary, supported by Ryan Lyle. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Linda Howlett appointed members to various sub-committees and other various committees.

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 21, 2013 regular meeting as presented was made by Steve Tackman and supported by Steve O'Driscoll. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of general fund bills numbered 47308-47560 in the amount of \$787,310.84 was made by Tom Harrell and supported by Ryan Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Steve O'Driscoll abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Steve Tackman reviewed the Finance Committee meeting.

Dr. Jay Kulbertis mentioned that we continue to enjoy the fruits of our labor with our expanded collaboration with Rapid River. Legislature is proposing to require that a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader must be reading at grade level in order to advance to 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Tied to this is legislation that looks to overhaul the school accountability system and replace it with a grading system. Legislators understand that much work needs to be done on the specifics of these two bills. We are making progress with Bay College in an effort to launch an Early College where students, over a five year period, would earn both a high school diploma and an Associate's Degree. Parent-Teacher Conferences were held November 7<sup>th</sup>, affording interested parents the opportunity to meet with teachers. Recognized and appreciate the relationship we have built

with the Hannahville Indian community as once again they have approved a number of generous grant requests.

Motion to accept letter of intent to retire from Gayle Patrick and Robin Custance was made by Steve Tackman and supported by Tom Harrell. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve letter of resignation from Jeannie Woelffer as Junior High Cheerleading Coach was made by Tom Harrell and supported by Ryan Lyle. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to award snowplow bid to Nault Landscaping was made by Steve O'Driscoll and supported by Steve Tackman. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Budget Amendment 1 was made by Steve Tackman and supported by Steve O'Driscoll. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of bond construction bills was made by Tom Harrell and supported by Steve O'Driscoll. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ryan Lyle and supported by Tom Harrell. Ayes -6, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Secretary, Board of Education

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