

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
GLADSTONE AREA SCHOOLS
400 SOUTH TENTH STREET
GLADSTONE, MICHIGAN 49837**

MINUTES

Gladstone High School
2100 M-35
Gladstone, MI 49837

The regular meeting of the Gladstone Area Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, September 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

The meeting was called to order by Linda Howlett at 7:03 p.m.

Members Present: Richard Anderson, Paul Capodilupo, Linda Howlett, Ryan Lyle, Steve Tackman

Members Absent: Bill Milligan, Steve O'Driscoll

Administrative: Jay Kulbertis, Brady Downey, Dave Ballard, Kristina Hansen, Donna Flannery, Lori Wells, Tom Davis, Pam Durbin, Mike Macfarlane, Karen Fisher

Daily Press: Ilsa Matthes

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

Brady Downey thanked Harold Flagstadt and his crew for having the district buildings ready for the start of the school year. Lori Wells mentioned the scholastic book fair fundraiser this week at Cameron Elementary and Public Library. Linda Howlett commented on the positive comments she has received from parents concerning the football coaching staff.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by S. Tackman and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2013 regular meeting as presented was made by R. Anderson and support by S. Tackman. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of general fund bills numbered 46926-47083 in the amount of \$1,555,313.27 (includes bond project payments of \$970,495.25) was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

L. Howlett reviewed the Dual Superintendency Committee meeting.

R. Lyle reviewed the Public Relations Committee meeting.

P. Capodilupo reviewed the Building and Grounds Committee meeting.

S. Tackman reviewed the Curriculum and Personnel, and Finance Committee meetings.

Dr. Kulbertis commended all staff for an excellent school start-up. We had unique construction challenges, but all went above and beyond to make it a smooth "Welcome Back" for our students. He announced the successful launch of our UP Virtual Academy for grades K-12. Construction project is nearing completion. Open houses were well attended, with compliments on building improvements. The

Governor's office shared appreciation for our hosting the town hall and robotics demo this summer, with a thank you to Tim Barron and the robotics club for providing an informative and entertaining presentation. Mentioned renewed activity in Lansing with attention on common core curriculum as well as property taxes. Thanked Bill Milligan for his years of service to the Gladstone Schools as a board member. His perspective will be missed. We will move forward with publishing his vacancy and plan to fill the position at the October meeting.

Motion to award High School Special Education/Middle School Life Skills position to Patricia Maggart was made by S. Tackman and supported by R. Anderson. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to award Speech and Language Pathologist to Nicole Smith was made by S. Tackman and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to accept letter of resignation from Bill Milligan as a Gladstone Board of Education Member was made by R. Lyle and supported by R. Anderson. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve best practices resolution was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by S. Tackman. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt consolidated business office plan with Rapid River Schools was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by R. Anderson. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Steve O'Driscoll to the dual superintendence committee was made by S. Tackman and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to award assistant varsity football coach positions to Steve Strom and Jon Golzynski was made by R. Lyle and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

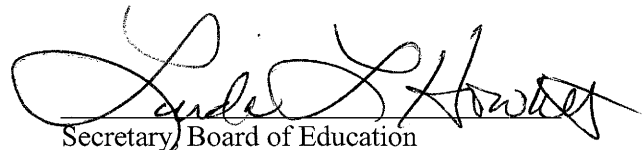
Motion to approve professional development school calendar date change from October 4/February 14 to October 11/February 28 to align with DSISD/NMU was made by S. Tackman and supported by R. Anderson. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve on-line class vendors – Michigan Virtual High School, Odysseyware and Lincoln Interactive was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by S. Tackman. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of bond construction bills was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by R. Anderson. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by R. Lyle and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.


Secretary Board of Education