

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
GLADSTONE AREA SCHOOLS
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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, March 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

The meeting was called to order by Steve O'Driscoll at 7:04 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Capodilupo, Linda Howlett, Ryan Lyle, Steve O'Driscoll, Steve Tackman

Members Absent: Richard Anderson, Tom Harrell

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

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

Jones Principal, Kristina Hansen, mentioned the "learn to swim" program was starting Tuesday, March 18, 2014 for approximately 30 third and fourth graders.

High School Robotics team coach Tim Barron and students Abby Flaminio, Jared Hunter, Chris Sedenquist, Haley Wanic and Alyssa Brown provided details on last weekend's Robotics competition in Escanaba. The team placed in the final four alliances (top 12) and won the Quality Award (machine robustness in concept and fabrication) sponsored by Motorola. Middle School Drama Club members Olivia Capodilupo, Charlotte Strom and Erin Stevenson performed a short presentation on their upcoming performance of "Miss Beth", a modern reinterpretation of Shakespeare's "Macbeth".

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2014 regular meeting as presented was made by L. Howlett and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of general fund bills numbered 48094-48234 in the amount of \$405,212.42 was made by L. Howlett and supported by S. Tackman. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

L. Howlett reviewed the Dual Superintendency committee meeting, P. Capodilupo reviewed the Curriculum and Personnel committee meeting; and S. Tackman reviewed the Finance Committee meeting.

Dr. Kulbertis noted that a group of education organizations have put together a proposal that is designed to allow for an increase in funds available for classrooms as the legislature begins the budget process. Our school has a hard-working group of teachers – Martina Mileski, Chris Saari, Sarah Racicot, Dane Quigley and Erika Fix – who have been participating in the 22iTRIG training. Principals Donna Flannery

and Kristina Hansen attended the State's educational technology conference, MACUL, last week in Grand Rapids. Superintendents from our area will be getting together next week to discuss federal grant opportunities. Our Robotics team had an excellent performance in the Escanaba tournament and is gearing up for Traverse City. We wish them well as they attempt to qualify for the State tournament.

Motion to accept letter of resignation from Rich Trombly as girls' tennis coach was made by R. Lyle and supported by L. Howlett. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to accept letter of resignation from Kyle Closs as assistant JV football coach was made by L. Howlett and supported by S. Tackman. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to accept letter rescinding intent to retire from Gina Potvin, Dale Jones, Glynda Curtis, Carol Sabo and Chris Nivison for EOSY 2014 was made by S. Tackman and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to accept letter of intent to retire from Gina Potvin, Dale Jones, Glynda Curtis, Carol Sabo and Chris Nivison for EOSY 2015 was made by L. Howlett and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of bond construction bills was made by S. Tackman and supported by R. Lyle. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by R. Lyle and supported by S. Tackman. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.



Secretary, Board of Education

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