

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

MINUTES

Jones / Middle School / Public Library  
300 South Tenth Street  
Gladstone, MI 49837

The regular meeting of the Gladstone Area Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, July 18, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Jones Elementary / Middle School / Public Library.

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Deacon at 6:07 p.m.

Members Present: Paul Capodilupo, Jeff Deacon, Gloria McDonnell, Bill Milligan, Steve O'Driscoll

Members Absent: Linda Howlett, Ryan Lyle (excused)

Administrative: Jay Kulbertis, Brady Downey, Karl Dollhopf, Donna Flannery, Lori Wells, Mike Macfarlane, Karen Fisher, Pam Durbin

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

Karl Dollhopf discussed the completion of summer school. Fifty students attended the five week program with focus on math and reading. Brady Downey thanked Hannahville Indian Community for awarding the High School a 2% Grant of \$10,000. The High School was able to purchase 12 multi-media projectors and 2 interactive modules (smart board technology). Steve O'Driscoll commented that he has been on the School Board for 5 years, been through 15 budgets / budget revisions and that our Business Manager, Mike Macfarlane, is top-notch with our school finances.

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2011 regular meeting and June 29, 2011 special meeting as presented was made by S. O'Driscoll and supported by P. Capodilupo. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve payment of general fund bills numbered 41818-41950 in the amount of \$617,799.64 was made by S. O'Driscoll and supported by G. McDonnell. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Dr. Jay Kulbertis reported that the Senate rejected the House compromise bill on public employee health care; Harold Flagstadt and his summer work crew are doing an exceptional job in preparing our buildings for the start of a new year; movement toward a county-wide millage to support public libraries is gaining momentum; summer school program was a wonderful experience for all participants; the Business Office is investigating the possibility of putting together a millage request for February that would involve lowering our debt levy.

Motion to adopt first nine weeks (1<sup>st</sup> grading period) of 2011-2012 school calendar was made by S. O'Driscoll and supported by B. Milligan. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve County-Wide millage for library services resolution was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by G. McDonnell. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve understanding of services from Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC was made by B. Milligan and supported by S. O'Driscoll. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Best Practices Incentive resolution was made by G. McDonnell and supported by S. O'Driscoll. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to accept letter of resignation from Brian Jensen as JV Assistant Football Coach was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by G. McDonnell. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Motion to go into closed session to discuss contract negotiations was made by S. O'Driscoll and supported by B. Milligan. Roll call vote: S. O'Driscoll -Aye, P. Capodilupo -Aye, L. Howlett - Absent, R. Lyle -Absent, G. McDonnell -Aye, B. Milligan -Aye, J. Deacon -Aye. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Meeting moved into closed session at 6:50 p.m.

Motion to adjourn from closed session was made by B. Milligan and supported by S. O'Driscoll. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Meeting moved into open session at 7:26 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made by P. Capodilupo and supported by G. McDonnell. Ayes -5, Nays -0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

  
Secretary, Board of Education

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