



## WEST OTTAWA BOARD OF EDUCATION

Approved Minutes  
Regular Board Meeting  
January 17, 2011

President S. VanderStoep called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Office Training Room.

Members present: President S. VanderStoep; Vice President G. Jacob; Secretary S. Smith; and Trustees B. Kangas, D. Mahn, and R. Schipper. Also present were Superintendent Dr. P. Koeze; Assistant Superintendents C. Dymowski and S. Richards; and Student Senate representative A. Oudomsack.

Members absent: Trustee W. Bloemendaal

Moved by B. Kangas, supported by D. Mahn, that the minutes from the December 20, 2010, regular board meeting be approved as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

Moved by D. Mahn, supported by B. Kangas, that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

January is Board Recognition Month. West Ottawa board members received tokens of appreciation and thanks from Rhonda Rowlee representing the support staff and Paula DeRoos, with assistance from senior Jorddan Myrick and junior Kari Sweeney, for the WOE. Students from the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Spanish Immersion class at Lakeshore Elementary also expressed their appreciation in Spanish followed by the English translation.

There were no communications from the audience.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by G. Jacob, that the West Ottawa Board of Education appoint Michelle Visser as Treasurer for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Motion was unanimously approved.

Moved by G. Jacob, supported by R. Schipper, that the preliminary qualification application for the proposed bond election be approved as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

Moved by S. Smith, supported by R. Schipper, that the following individuals be placed on administrative contracts due to additional responsibilities for the 2010-2011 school year:

- Tom Winegar Director of Technology
- Michelle Visser Controller

Motion was unanimously approved. S. VanderStoep introduced T. Winegar and M. Visser.

Moved by B. Kangas, supported by D. Mahn, that the following travel applications be approved pending consideration of the world situation at the time of the proposed trip:

- March 3-6, 2011, FIRST Robotics to FIRST Robotics District Event in Traverse City, Michigan
- March 18-19, 2011, FIRST Robotics to the West Michigan FIRST Robotics District Competition at Grand Valley State University in Allendale, Michigan
- March 25-26, 2011, FIRST Robotics to the FIRST Robotics District Event in Niles, Michigan, pending registration approval

- March 30-April 2, 2011, FIRST Robotics to the 10,000 Lakes Regional Competition in Minneapolis, Minnesota
- April 7-9, 2011, FIRST Robotics to the state championship event at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, Michigan, pending qualification
- April 27-28, 2011, National Art Honor Society to Chicago, Illinois, to experience visual and performance art as they are applied to everyday life and careers
- April 29-30, 2011, High School Orchestras to view a professional orchestra perform in Detroit, Michigan
- May 19-22, 2011, Science Olympiad to Nationals at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin, pending qualification
- May 27, 2011, High School Physics Classes to Six Flags Great America in Gurnee, Illinois
- June 14-30, 2011, Cultural, Technological, Environmental Exchange (CTEE) students to The Republic of Cameroon in West Africa

Motion was unanimously approved.

Student Senate representative A. Oudomsack reported on the high school Month of Caring activities and upcoming events.

C. Dymowski reported on Kindergarten Round-up which will be held at all elementary schools on February 3 at 6 p.m. and introduced Deputy Kolean who provided an update on the Bullying Prevention Program.

S. Richards provided an update on instructional services and reported on the technology pilot and elementary literacy parent meetings.

Moved by B. Kangas, supported by R. Schipper, that the following course revisions for the high school be approved:

- High School Orchestra program restructuring
- IB Chemistry HL, AP Chemistry, and AP Physics be added as substitutions for meeting MMC fourth year math related credit course graduation requirements

Motion was unanimously approved.

Moved by R. Schipper, supported by D. Mahn, that the bills payable and revenue & expenditures summaries for the month of December 2010 be approved as presented. Motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. P. Koeze reported on the following:

- petitions for one four-year term on the Board of Education are due February 8 by 4 p.m. to the County Clerk's Office. Nominating petitions can be picked up at the Administration Office building.
- 2011-12 schools of choice and non-resident applications will be available February 1 at all West Ottawa schools, the Administration Office, and on the district website. Renewal forms and applications are due by March 1.
- Kindergarten Round-up is 6 p.m., February 3, at all West Ottawa elementary schools.

Dr. Koeze also thanked the Board of Education for all they are doing.

There were no communications from the audience.

Moved by D. Mahn, supported by R. Schipper, that the meeting adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion was unanimously approved.

S. Smith  
Secretary