

NORTHVILLE BOARD BRIEFS

2009/10

January 12, 2010

Board of Education Meetings

01/26/10	Silver Springs Elementary
02/09/10	Old Village School
02/23/10	Moraine Elementary
03/09/10	Old Village School
03/23/10	Thornton Creek Elementary
04/13/10	Old Village School (ECP)
04/27/10	Ridge Wood Elementary
05/11/10	Old Village School
06/01/10	Amerman Elementary
06/08/10	Old Village School (Center Program)
06/22/10	Old Village School

Board of Education (as of 1/13/10)

Dr. Marilyn Price, Trustee
 Ms. Joan Wadsworth, Vice President
 Ms. Libby Smith, Secretary
 Ms. Dottie Garrity, Treasurer
 Mr. Joe Hige, Trustee
 Dr. Karen Paciorek, Trustee
 Mr. Ken Roth, Trustee

At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at Old Village School, 405 W. Main, Northville, Michigan, the Board took the following action:

- Mr. Joseph T. Hige, Jr. took the Oath of Office on November 11, 2009.
- The Board approved the following election of officers: Marilyn Price, President; Joan Wadsworth, Vice President; Dottie Garrity, Treasurer; and Libby Smith, Secretary. Three remaining trustees are Joe Hige, Karen Paciorek, and Ken Roth.
- The Board approved the following Consent Agenda items: a) Minutes of the 12/8/09 Regular Second Meeting of the Board of Education; b) Policy 5111 – Student Enrollment/Age of Entrance for second reading; c) New course approvals for the development of English 12 course options to meet the Michigan Merit Curriculum content standards; d) Alignment of the high school Business Department courses *Graphics II* and *Teacher Cadet Internship* with the Michigan Merit Curriculum Visual, Performing and Applied Arts content guidelines; e) Donation of \$17,500 to Cooke School from Mr. Tom, Donald and Kim Abrams to supplement and improve programs for students at Cooke School; f) Donation of \$500 from Ms. Amy Howard & Valassis Giving Committee for the annual Cooke School Car Show; g) Donation of \$500 from Mr. & Mrs. Jay Julow to Cooke School to supplement and improve programs for Cooke students; h) Approval of the following certified staff members earning tenure on their anniversary dates: Ms. Regan Cowger and Ms. Andrea Dent; i) Approval of Northville Educational Foundation 2009/10 new members: Chris Johnson, Kyle Johnson and Kim Cooke; j) Bank Designations and Depository Resolutions: Naming the Comerica Bank as the Official depository for the Northville Public Schools, Authorizing the Superintendent or Director of Business & Finance or appropriate principals to sign activities account checks and authorizing the use of a mechanical signer for name accounts of the district; and k) Bill Warrants totaling \$1,991,568.91.
- Superintendent Rezmierski thanked President Ken Roth for his great leadership, especially through these difficult economic times. Administration will be making a contribution in Mr. Roth's name to the Northville Educational Foundation.
- Superintendent Rezmierski spoke about the time and commitment involved when you are a member of the Board of Education. He stated that Ms. Judith Handley decided not to run for election this year, after serving 12 1/2 years as Board Trustee. He said that the district was enriched by her leadership as an educator, and

she served with great distinction and honor. Dr. Rezmierski presented Ms. Handley a picture painted by Silver Springs first grader Katie Theisen. He also presented some other gifts sent over from various schools.

- Superintendent Rezmierski introduced State Representative Hugh Crawford, State Representative Marc Corriveau, Wayne County Superintendent Chris Wigent, Wayne County Board Secretary Mary Blackmon, Northville Mayor Chris Johnson, Township Treasurer Dick Henningsen, and Northville Chamber Chairman Nickie Bateson who were present to recognize the Board in honor of January being “School Board Recognition Month.” Representatives Corriveau and Crawford presented Certificates to the Board and Representative Corriveau presented a Special Tribute to Ms. Handley for her dedicated service to the Northville Public School District. He reminded her that he and his brother Joe had Ms. Handley for a teacher in the Wayne/Westland Schools many years ago.
- President Price presented Certificates of Recognition to the following Eagle Scouts: Christopher Bentley and Daniel Price. Each scout shared the project that earned them the Eagle Scout Award. Mr. Christopher Cheaney was not present but the superintendent will make sure he gets this certificate.
- Superintendent Rezmierski said he received a certificate from the Michigan Association of School Personnel Association (MASPA) where Northville Public Schools received “Honorable Mention 2009” for best practices in Human Resources.
- Ms Mossoian announced that the district will be celebrating “Unity in the Community” on Monday, January 18, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at Genitti’s Little Theatre. There are 11 award and honoree winners for the writing/poster contest that were selected from the elementary, middle, high school and Center Programs. Dr. Rezmierski will lead the program and Wayne RESA Superintendent Chris Wigent will be the guest speaker. The Northville High School Choir will sing some songs at this event.
- Superintendent Rezmierski informed citizens that the Board met yesterday in a Special Call Board meeting to review all the information pertaining to RT3. After careful consideration, the Board voted not to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and sent a letter to State Superintendent Mike Flanagan stating that our district is not signing the MOU. Dr. Rezmierski will keep monitoring any information he receives and will get back to the Board. Vice President Wadsworth announced that the Board and Administration will provide a communication with information about MOU and their decision last evening that MOU would put restrictions on the district that is not in their best interest. This communication will go out to the community very soon.
- Mr. Bolitho informed the Board of the need to purchase 2 trucks and 1 van since the Maintenance Fleet vehicles are deteriorating. After lengthy discussion, the Board directed Mr. Bolitho to proceed to explore other options for vehicle replacement.

Meeting/Events	Date	Time	Location
Board Study Session	1/14/10	7:00 p.m.	COA 302
Instructional Services, Ad Services, Finance	1/19/10	6:30 p.m., 7:15 p.m.; 8:00 p.m.	COA 302
Policy	1/25/10 (Monday)	9:00 a.m.	COA 302

- Trustee Roth reviewed the new chairmen for the subcommittees. Below are the new chairmen:

Administrative Services	Joe Hige
Finance	Dottie Garrity
Human Resources	Joan Wadsworth
Instructional Services	Karen Paciorek
Policy	Ken Roth

- The Board entered into Executive Session for purposes of negotiations.
- The Board meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.