

**MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
JULY 14, 2011**

Regular meeting of the Hale Area Schools Board of Education called to order by President Brandt at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present – Members: Bovee, Brandt, Braun, Cryderman, Heuss, McKulsky, Shellenbarger

Absent-Members: None.

Guests in Attendance: 14

Additions/deletions/corrections to the agenda: G, H, I under Action Items

Visitor Comments: Quilting program-please reinstall it. Brandt turned over to R. Reilly. J. Wilson questioned about 6/13/11 minutes. Brandt will look into it.

Board Comments: McKulsky-Application for MASB is in. It doesn't look like anyone else is running.

Motion by Cryderman, supported by Shellenbarger to approve the June 22, 2011 executive session board meeting minutes as amended. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No).

Motion by Cryderman, supported by Shellenbarger to approve the June 30, 2011 special board meeting minutes as written. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No).

Motion by Braun, supported by McKulsky to approve for payment accounts payable (item nos. 1-28; check nos. 34940-35011 for General Fund). Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No).

Financial reports presented by Business Manager, Mr. Boensch.

Discussion items-2011-2012 Budget-Brandt-20% cut for all employees. What does the board need to do to get in line with cuts? Cut stipend 20%? Cut expenditure line item by 20%? Cryderman, Shellenbarger & Braun-cut 20% from everything. Board agrees to 20% cut from stipend. Educational line item, taking it down to \$16,952 from \$21,190.

Braun-started conversations with Kraft, possibly making him a one year interim superintendent. Will bring final contract to be voted on in a public meeting. Want to have contract done prior to 8/1/11. Brandt-we'll set a special meeting for that.

Boensch commented on 2011-2012 school year for Stephenson & Gracik-should be a three year contract. Brandt amended IX A to 2011-2013.

Motion by McKulsky, supported by Cryderman to adopt **Resolution 12-1** to approve Stephenson & Gracik, CPA as the audit firm for the 2011-2013 school year. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No).

Motion by Cryderman, supported by Shellenbarger to recess at 7:37 p.m. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No).

Reconvene at 7:43 p.m.

Motion by Cryderman, supported by McKulsky to adopt **Resolution 12-2** establishing that regular meetings of the Board will be held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. for the 2011-2012 school year (place and time to be announced on the meeting agenda or posting notice). Motion Carried (7 Yes, 0 No).

Motion by Cryderman, supported by McKulsky to adopt **Resolution 12-3** in that First Bank, Northland Area Federal Credit Union, Independent Bank and Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund (MILAF) be designated as the depositories for school funds for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Cryderman, supported by McKulsky to adopt **Resolution 12-4** to designate Dana L. Reilly as the individual responsible for posting public notices for the 2011-1012 school year. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by McKulsky, supported by Shellenbarger to adopt **Resolution 12-5** to retain Hale Area Schools' membership with the Michigan Association of School Boards (M.A.S.B.) for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Shellenbarger, supported by McKulsky to adopt **Resolution 12-6** to change election of officers from July to January to align with the new November election cycle. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Cryderman, supported by Shellenbarger to accept SET/SEG bid for the 2011-2012 school year (\$14,600). Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Cryderman, supported by McKulsky to lease two Blue Bird busses for two years with the option to buy (\$80,842 x 2). Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Motion by Braun, supported by McKulsky to reduce the overall school board budget by 20%=\$21,190 to \$16,952. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No)

Administrative updates-Annual Retreat-2011-August. Brandt would like MASB/Superintendent with the retreat. August 6<sup>th</sup> (Saturday), at 1:00 p.m. We will have the meeting here as to not incur any costs.

Final Comments-Meeting will be set with Mr. Buchler, Mr. Kraft and Mr. Reilly in August. Barnes-HFT negotiations-Kraft cancelled meeting. Why not a board member step in? Brandt-the board has agreed to NOT step into negotiations. Saying the budget has been set at 20% reduction is not correct. We have not agreed to that. Braun-explained why the budget was done that way. Benedict-what is the penalty on mile overage? Brandt-if we get close to those numbers, we park the bus and utilize others. We will get exact numbers on overage costs. .

Mary Runyan turned a letter into R. Provoast regarding “super seniority” to move into bus driver position. Provoast gave it to Kraft. She would like to know if she has a job. Reilly-position posting information given to the Board regarding certified teacher aides, also working on a credit recovery program.

Board Comments: Shellenbarger-questioned Mr. McGrew on continuing education survey and what happened to it. McGrew-it was turned into MASB and haven’t heard results yet. Cryderman-Iosco County Project Connect-please email me with lists of supplies kids will need. Thank you to Mrs. Frank for responding so quickly. McGrew-spent nine years of my life in schools this size. I believe Hale will be here for the long haul. Be positive.

Motion by Shellenbarger, supported by McKulsky to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion Carried. (7 Yes, 0 No).

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Sarah Heuss, Secretary