MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOVEMBER 12, 2012

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: 12

Additions/deletions/corrections to the agenda: None.

Staff Retiree Recognition- Invitees did not attend.

Meal plan was presented by Mrs. Rhonda Brindley.

Motion by McKulsky, supported by Braun to approve the items as listed on the consent agenda dated November 12, 2012. Motion Carried (7 Yes, 0 No).

Motion by Cryderman, supported by McKulsky to endorse the Girls Basketball Staff for the 2012-2013 School Year consisting of Mr. Mark Vick as Program Mentor, Mrs. Jessie Gornowich as Head Varsity Coach and Mr. Pete Kaiser as Junior Varsity Coach. Motion Carried (7 Yes, 0 No).

Motion by McKulsky, supported by Shellenbarger to approve Wilson Trucking & Excavating as the snow removal contractor for the 2012-2013 school year (see attached). Motion Carried (7 Yes, 0 No).

The following items were discussed:

A. Athletic Policy Changes-the plan for completion is this week. Our attorney has made some recommendations and the draft form is forthcoming. We can have discussion at our work study next week. I would like to move on this in December or January.
B. High School Secretary Position-Denise Kish helped put together a skills test. The first part was a 2 hour timed test that dealt with computer skills. Part Two was a 2 hour timed test that dealt more with technical skills, filing, alphabetization, etc. There were 5 people that stood apart from the others. We will look at interviews.
C. Brainware Safari Update-training parapros on Friday via a Webinar at 9:00 a.m.
D. ELA and Math Mastery Items-Denise Kish reviewed mastery results.
E. Technology Update-We are in the process of transferring title funds. Once this is complete, we would like to update the K-5 lab by adding computers. We are in the process of completing an online survey and will apply for a grant to upgrade computer labs. Smarter Balance test was discussed.
F. Readers/Writers Workshop-would like administrators, board members and teachers to meet with an instructor in Gaylord. This will likely be a condition of employment to maintain continuity within the district.

G. Business Association Meeting-Brandt-had a good turnout.
   a. Loss of Students-Kraft-we knew it was coming with the dissolution of the Cyber Program and the graduating class size verses the incoming kindergarten class size. We have had 14 students return since the start of the school year.
   b. High School(former)-what is the future of that building? Board has a subcommittee to look into options. Kraft-there is a business person that has interest. There was a walk-through held today with two people.
   c. Skyward Update-correspondence to parents-opportunity for training held during conferences
   d. Academic Progress of Hale Area Schools-Brandt-Data is being accumulated. Kraft-we are progressing and there is fine-tuning to do. We will administer ASVAB, Plan and Explore.
   e. District Newsletters-Kraft-this was part of the secretarial skills test. Please let us know what you would like in the newsletter. We didn't budget for mailing the newsletter.
   f. MASB Conference-McKulsky spoke about the conference.
   g. Welcome Mr. John Brindley-Brandt welcomed Mr. Brindley to the board.

Visitor Comments: Mr. Steve Parent expressed a human resource concern to the board.

Ms. Sherer-asked questions about the basketball mentor position, other principal's interest in the mastery items and supplies left at the old high school.

Shirl Karn and Sue Parent spoke to the board regarding the human resource issue.

Board Comments: Shellenbarger-welcome Mr. Brindley. McKulsky-thanked the teachers that were at the presentation and thanked Mr. Bovee and Mr. Brandt for putting together the presentation. Brandt-we have had a positive response from our students with regard to what is going on here. Bovee-the comments that came out of the meeting were very positive and overwhelming.

Reilly-I would like to publicly thank the quilting club that has come in to work with our children. Many ladies taught our children a great skill.

Motion by Shellenbarger, supported by McKulsky to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m. Motion Carried (7 Yes, 0 No).

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Sarah Heuss, Secretary