

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE
CITY OF HAZEL PARK
COUNTY OF OAKLAND AND STATE OF MICHIGAN
REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Hazel Park Board of Education was held at the Ford School Administration Office on July 15, 2013, and was called to order by Secretary C. Hemple at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: C. Hemple, Hammonds, S. Hemple, Nagy, Polowski
Members Absent: Love, LaForme
Others Present: Barlow, Berger, Mayo, Meisinger, Stefanski, Watripont

INVOCATION

The Invocation was delivered by Superintendent James Meisinger, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Mr. Nagy, supported by Mrs. Polowski, that the Agenda be approved as written.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Nagy, Polowski, Hammonds, S. Hemple, C. Hemple
Nays: None

AUDIT OF THE BILLS

Moved by Mrs. Hammonds, supported by Mr. Nagy, that the Bills dated July 8, 2013, be approved as follows: Capital Projects Funds – \$50,096.68; Special Revenue Funds – \$58,197.26; General Fund – \$1,959,768.35; Total Expenditures – \$2,068,062.29.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Hammonds, Nagy, S. Hemple, Polowski, C. Hemple
Nays: None

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes – to be approved as written
 - a) June 4, 2013, Special Meeting
 - b) June 10, 2013, Budget Hearing
 - c) June 10, 2013, Regular Meeting

2. Resignations/Retirements – to be received and filed
 - a) Kathleen Adkins - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Secretary effective June 30, 2013.

 - b) Karen Babel - Informs the Board of Education her intention to resign Psychologist effective August 31, 2013.

 - c) Amanda Brown - Informs the Board of Education her intention to resign Secretary effective June 30, 2013.

 - d) Doris Daniels - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Social Worker effective June 30, 2013.

 - e) Connie Dikin - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Teacher effective August 31, 2013.

 - f) Donna Gowen - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Teacher effective August 31, 2013.

 - g) Gayle Guardado - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Teacher effective August 31, 2013.

 - h) Debra Hollinger - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Teacher effective June 30, 2013.

 - i) Sue Kuck - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Secretary effective June 30, 2013.

 - j) Morris Lupenec - Informs the Board of Education his intention to retire Teacher effective June 30, 2013.

 - k) Russell Marrone - Informs the Board of Education his intention to retire Teacher effective June 30, 2013.

 - l) Rosanne McCallister - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire Secretary effective June 30, 2013.

- m) James Michalski - Informs the Board of Education his intention to retire
Teacher effective June 30, 2013.
 - n) Deborah - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Montgomery effective August 31, 2013.
Teacher
 - o) Peggy O’Neil - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Teacher effective August 31, 2013.
 - p) Linda Palka - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Secretary effective June 30, 2013.
 - q) Linda - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Peuterbaugh effective November 1, 2013.
Secretary
 - r) Elizabeth - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Piernick effective September 1, 2013.
Teacher
 - s) Judith Schultz - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Teacher effective August 31, 2013.
 - t) Melissa - Informs the Board of Education her intention to resign
Sharnowski effective June 15, 2013.
Psychologist
 - u) James Steele - Informs the Board of Education his intention to resign
Custodian effective August 31, 2013.
 - v) Michelle Walker - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Custodian effective June 30, 2013.
 - w) Jacqueline - Informs the Board of Education her intention to retire
Werner effective June 30, 2013.
Teacher
 - x) Brenda - Informs the Board of Education her intention to resign
Ziebarth-Henson effective June 30, 2013.
Speech Therapist
3. Conference Reports – to be received and filed
- a) **Lenore Barshaw**, Teacher at Webster Elementary School, attended the “Data Wall Visit at Burt Elementary” conference on May 30, 2013, at Burt Elementary.
(Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)

- b) **Lenore Barshaw**, Teacher at Webster Elementary School, attended the “SIP Workshop with Jan Callis” on June 5, 2013, at the Hazel Park Administration Building. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- c) **Doreen Beller**, Teacher at Hoover Elementary School, attended the “Using Various Forms of Assessment to Inform Instruction for K, 1st, and 2nd Grades” conference on March 21, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- d) **Doreen Beller**, Teacher at Webster Elementary School, attended the “MI ELA Model Curriculum and MAISA” conference on June 24 – 27, 2013, at the Lansing Civic Center. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- e) **Melanie Claus**, Teacher at Edison MAX, attended the “Explicit Instruction Instructional Techniques for Effective Intervention” conference on September 12, October 24, November 28, 2012, January 16 and March 27, 2013 at Oakland Schools. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- f) **Melanie Claus**, Teacher at Edison MAX, attended the “Reading Boot Camp” conference on November 19 – 20, December 18 – 19, 2012 at Oakland Schools. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- g) **Liz Conlon**, Teacher at Hoover Elementary School, attended the “School Improvement Plan Workshop” conference on June 5, 2013, Hazel Park Schools Administration Building. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- h) **C. Diane Dikin**, Teacher at Webster Elementary School, attended the “Common Core State Standards Writing Workshops” on September 27 and December 12, 2012, January 17, January 24, March 8, March 21, April 17 and May 20, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- i) **Toby Gordon**, Teacher at Hazel Park High School, attended the “Peak – Teach for Excellence” conference on June 11 – 14, 2013, in Lansing. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- j) **Marilyn Henry**, Teacher at Hazel Park Junior High School, attended the “Assessment for Math Intervention” conference on January 11, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- k) **Rebecca Hughes**, Teacher at Webb Elementary School, attended the “Comprehensive Needs Assessment” conference on May 3, 2013, at Webb Elementary School. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- l) **Rebecca Hughes**, Teacher at Webb Elementary School, attended the “Parental Involvement Policy” conference on May 10, 2013, at Webb Elementary School. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)

- m) **Diane Knapp**, Teacher at Webster Elementary School, attended the “Beyond the Basics, Conferring and Forming Guided Writing Groups” conference on March 21, April 17 and May 20, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- n) **Jacquelyn Krentz**, Teacher at Hazel Park Junior High School, attended the “Improving Adolescent Literacy: Effective Classroom and Intervention Practices within a RTI Framework” conference on April 22, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- o) **Janet Langtry**, Counselor at Hazel Park Junior High School, attended the “Culturally Responsive Teaching” conference on January 16, February 27 and May 20, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- p) **Janet Langtry**, Counselor at Hazel Park Junior High School, attended the “Guys and Girls and Perspectives” conference on March 22, 2013, at Perspectives of Troy. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- q) **Adam Luck**, Teacher at Hazel Park Advantage, attended the “Next Generation Science Standard Rollout” conference on May 28, 2013, in Lansing. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- r) **Larry Marks**, Psychologist at Hoover and Webb Elementary Schools, attended the “CHAMPS: Classwide Positive Behavior Support” conference on June 25 and 26, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- s) **Corri Nastasi**, Teacher at Hoover Elementary School, attended the “Parent Involvement/School Improvement Plan Workshop” on May 3 and 10, 2013, at the Hazel Park Administration Building. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- t) **Corri Nastasi**, Teacher at Hoover Elementary School, attended the “School Improvement Plan Workshop” on June 5, 2013, at the Hazel Park Administration Building. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- u) **Linda Rogers**, Teacher at Hazel Park High School, attended the “PEAK Leadership Academy” conference on June 10 – 14, 2013, in Lansing. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- v) **Pamela Sparks**, Teacher at Hazel Park High School, attended the “Eleventh Annual Invasive Species Field Course” conference on June 26 – 28, 2013, at the NWM University, Traverse City. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- w) **Susan Talmage**, Teacher at Hoover Elementary School, attended the “Writing Essentials” conference on June 19 – 21, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)

- x) **Sue Watts**, Teacher at Hoover Elementary School, attended the “ELA Unit Overviews C-1 Using Various Forms of Assessment to Inform Instruction” conference on March 21, April 17, and May 20, 2013, at Oakland ISD. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)
- y) **Amy Zitzelberger**, Teacher at Hazel Park High School, attended the “Next Generation Science Standards” conference on May 28, 2013, in Ypsilanti. (Conference report submitted - Title 2, Part A funds)

Moved by Mrs. Hammonds, supported by Mrs. Hemple, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Hammonds, S. Hemple, Nagy, Polowski, C. Hemple
Nays: None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION - (Limited to items listed under “Unfinished Business” and “New Business”)

- 1. None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. None

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Appointment of Thomas W. H. Barlow, Attorney at Law

Mr. James Meisinger, Superintendent, informed the Board of Education that Attorney Thomas Barlow will be resigning from the Jackson Lewis LLP Law Firm to enter into semi-retirement. Mr. Meisinger stated that Mr. Barlow will be opening his own firm, Thomas W. H. Barlow, Attorney at Law, and would like Hazel Park Schools to remain as one of his clients. He stated that Mr. Barlow has handled some of the District’s major lawsuits over the years. Mr. Meisinger recommended to the Board of Education to appoint the Thomas W. H. Barlow, Attorney at Law, for the remainder of the 2013 calendar year.

Moved by Mr. Nagy, support by Mrs. Hammonds, that the Board of Education appoint Thomas W. H. Barlow, Attorney at Law, for the remainder of the 2013 calendar year.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Nagy, Hammonds, S. Hemple, Polowski, C. Hemple
Nays: None

2. Promise Zone Update

Ms. Kayla Roney, Promise Zone Director, informed the Board that letters have been mailed to all the 2013 Promise Zone applicants giving them an update on their scholarship status. The Promise Zone will be working directly with the institutions to pay the student’s Promise Zone Scholarship portion. Ms. Roney stated that the Promise Zone has sponsored five incoming junior high sixth grade students to attend the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) summer enrichment program at Oakland Community College. Promise Zone has developed three working committees; Fund-Raising Committee; Success Committee; and Development Committee. Ms. Roney reminded the Board and public that there will be no July Promise Zone Board Meeting. The next meeting will be held on August 15, 2013.

Mrs. Sue Hemple, Board Trustee, asked if every graduating student completed a Promise Zone application. Ms. Roney stated that every student had the opportunity to complete an application. If a student did not complete an application, including past graduates, when the applications were available, and the student now feels they are eligible to receive a Promise Zone scholarship, the student needs to contact her immediately to discuss the financial change and determine if the student is a scholarship candidate.

Mr. Ricky Nagy, Board Trustee, inquired about how the students will be notified that they are receiving the Promise Zone Scholarship. Ms. Roney stated that until the college processes the student’s bill she would not be able to confirm if the student is receiving the scholarship. The students Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will determine if the student will receive a Federal Pell Grant or Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) funding, and those funds determines eligibility for the Promise Zone Scholarship.

3. Non-Homestead Millage Resolution

Mr. Steven Watripont, Director of Business Services, recommends that the Board of Education approve the Non-Homestead Millage Resolution. The current Non-Homestead Millage will expire June 30, 2014, however this resolution is necessary for the next tax roll of July 1, 2013. This resolution will ask residents to approve the Non-Homestead Millage renewal for seven years at the 18 mills allowed by law, which takes in to account the Headlee Amendment roll back of millage rates.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HAZEL PARK
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Hazel Park, County of Oakland, Michigan (the “School District”), held in the School District on the 15th day of July, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: Members: C. Hemple, Hammonds, S. Hemple, Nagy, Polowski

ABSENT: Members: LaForme, Love

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL TO
BE VOTED ON AT A SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION**

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Ricky Nagy and supported by Member Sue Hemple:

WHEREAS, the School District is a Michigan general powers school district operating under the Revised School Code, as amended, and as such, the School District's elections are governed by the Michigan Election Law, Public Act 116 of 1954, as amended (the "Michigan Election Law");

WHEREAS, the School District will hold a Special School Election on November 5, 2013, which Special School Election will be conducted by the School District's Election Coordinator;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Election Law requires that the School District certify the ballot language for any proposals to be voted on at a permitted election date to the School District's Election Coordinator not less than seventy (70) days prior to the election date;

WHEREAS, Public Act 336 of 1993 amended the State School Aid Act by guaranteeing to each local school district a base "foundation allowance" per membership pupil;

WHEREAS, in order to receive the full guaranteed foundation allowance per membership pupil, the School District is required to levy millage locally on all property, except principal residences and other property exempted by law;

WHEREAS, the previously authorized operating millage of the School District is set to expire on June 30, 2014;

WHEREAS, the School District has determined that it will be necessary to continue the operating millage authorization to provide for the operating needs of the School District;

WHEREAS, the School District desires to submit a proposal to renew the operating millage authorization at a Special School Election to be held on November 5, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the School District desires to approve the above referenced operating millage renewal proposal and to authorize the Superintendent or his designee to certify the ballot language for the operating millage renewal proposal to the School District's Election Coordinator for the Special School Election to be held on November 5, 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HAZEL PARK, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN THAT:

1. The "Operating Millage Renewal Proposal", attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved.
2. The Superintendent or his designee is authorized to certify the above referenced Proposal to the School District's Election Coordinator on or before August 27, 2013.

3. The Superintendent or his designee is furthered authorized to take any and all action required under the Michigan Election Law with regard to the School District’s Special School Election.

4. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

AYES: Members Nagy, S. Hemple, Hammonds, Polowski, C. Hemple

NAYS: Members None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

(Signed) Charles E. Hemple
Charles E. Hemple
Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Hazel Park, County of Oakland, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education at a regular meeting held on July 15, 2013, the original of which Resolution is a part of the Board’s minutes, and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

(Signed) Charles E. Hemple
Charles E. Hemple
Secretary, Board of Education

Moved by Mr. Nagy, supported by Mrs. Hemple, that the Board of Education approve the Non-Homestead Millage Resolution, as requested.

Discussion

Mr. Charles Hemple, Board Secretary, asked by what date does the resolution need to be to the county. Mr. Watripont stated that Clark Hill PLC recommends submitting the resolution by mid August to the City of Hazel Park and the City of Ferndale for the first collection, and a copy to the county.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Nagy, S. Hemple, Hammonds, Polowski, C. Hemple
Nays: None

4. Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Michigan School Loan Revolving Fund

Mr. Steven Watripont, Director of Business Services, requested authorization from the Board of Education to continue to participate in the Michigan School Loan Revolving Fund.

School Bond Qualification and Loan Program
 School Loan Revolving Fund
 Bureau of Bond Finance
 Michigan Department of Treasury
 430 W. Allegan
 Lansing, MI 48922

ANNUAL LOAN/REPAYMENT ACTIVITY APPLICATION
 For Participation in the School Bond Qualification and Loan Program

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| Legal Name of School District Hazel Park City School | District Code No. District 63-130 | County Oakland County |
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I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Board of Education, do certify hereby that the following constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Education of this School District, at a [regular] meeting held on the 15th day of July, 2013, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with Act 267 of the Public Acts of 1976 (Open Meetings Act).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of July, 2013.

Charles E. Hemple
 Charles E. Hemple, Board Secretary

(Signed) Charles E. Hemple
 (Signature of Secretary)

Rose Mary Hammonds
 Rose Mary Hammonds, Board Treasurer

(Signed) James D. Meisinger
 (Signature of Superintendent of Schools)

RESOLUTION

A meeting was called to order by Charles E. Hemple, Secretary.

Present: Members C. Hemple, Hammonds, S. Hemple, Nagy, Polowski

Absent: Members LaForme, Love

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Rose Mary Hammonds and supported by Member Ricky Nagy.

WHEREAS:

1. Act 92 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 2005, enacted pursuant to Article IX, Section 16, of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, provides the procedure, terms and conditions for obtaining a loan from the Michigan School Loan Revolving Fund.
2. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 1993-19, the state activities related to bond qualification and state borrowing functions for the provision of loans by the State of Michigan to school districts were transferred from the Department of Education to the Department of Treasury. The State Treasurer is responsible for prescribing the forms and procedures regarding the application for loan from the School Loan Revolving Fund.

3. This district has taken all necessary actions to comply with all legal and procedural requirements for borrowing from the School Loan Revolving Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

1. The district approves the estimated amount to be borrowed from or repaid to the School Bond Qualification and Loan Program and certifies the amount of qualified debt millage to be levied in accordance with the following:

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| Qualified bond debt millage (Tax Year 2013) | 7.0 | |
| Combined beginning balance owed to the SBLF and/or SLRF 06/30/2012 | | 15,935,416.29 |
| Estimated amount to borrow from or repay to the SBLF and/or SLRF | | 1,593,126.00 |
| Estimated accrued interest | | 540,000.00 |
| Estimated combined ending balance owed the SBLF and/or SLRF 06/30/2013 | | 18,068,542.00 |

2. The district agrees to levy the debt millage tax as indicated above in the current tax year and to levy the debt millage tax required by law on the taxable valuation of the district for each subsequent year until all loans are repaid in full to the State of Michigan.

3. The district agrees to take actions and to refrain from taking any actions as necessary to maintain the tax exempt status of tax exempt bonds or notes issued by the State or the Michigan Municipal Bond Authority for the purpose of financing loans to school districts.

4. The district agrees to file a draw request with the State Treasurer not less than 30 days prior to the time when disbursement proceeds will be necessary in order to pay maturing principal or interest or both and to provide any other pertinent facts which may be required to be included in the request.

5. The (title of authorized officer) Director of Business Services is authorized and directed to file with the Department of Treasury the Annual Loan/Repayment Activity Application and any draw request documents necessary for borrowing from the SLRF.

6. In the event that the district fails to perform any actions as identified in this application or required by law, the district will submit to the State Treasurer a board approved resolution which indicates the actions taken and procedures implemented to assure future compliance.

7. The district board members have read this application, approved all statements and representations contained herein as true to the best knowledge and belief of said board, and authorized the Secretary of the Board of Education to sign this application and submit same to the State Treasurer for his review and approval.

Ayes: Members Hammonds, Nagy, S. Hemple, Polowski, C. Hemple

Nays: Members None

Moved by Mrs. Hammonds, supported by Mr. Nagy, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing Participation in the Michigan School Loan Revolving Fund, as requested.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Hammonds, Nagy, S. Hemple, Polowski, C. Hemple

Nays: None

5. Approval of Student Insurance

Mr. Steven Watrion, Director of Business Services, requested authorization from the Board of Education to continue student insurance coverage with 1st Agency insurance, since the Obama Affordable Health Care Act (ACA) has been postponed. SET SEG offers coverage for students up to \$5,000 per occurrence. 1st Agency insurance is secondary coverage for all students, with a premium of approximately \$25,000.

Moved by Mr. Nagy, supported by Mrs. Polowski, that the Board of Education approve the Student Insurance with 1st Agency for the 2013/2014 school year, as recommended.

Discussion

Mr. Ricky Nagy inquired about being reimbursed a portion of the premium according to the policy usage. Mr. Watrion stated that the district receives a small portion of reimbursement from SET SEG and Middle Cities who handles the District's workers' compensation insurance.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Nagy, Polowski, Hammonds, S. Hemple, C. Hemple

Nays: None

6. Department of Education and Deficit Elimination Plan Update

Mr. Michael Barlow, Director of Curriculum, stated that the District had been on track to reduce its deficit when an unforeseen drop in enrollment occurred; this caused the District to go into deeper debt. The District revised the Deficit Elimination Plan (DEP) and requested that the state give the District additional time to be out of debt. The state then requested a meeting with the District on May 15, 2013, in Lansing. Three board members, the superintendent, six administrators and the Hazel Park Education Association union president attended the meeting. During the meeting the DEP was reviewed with the requested time extension. Deputy Superintendent of the State of Michigan, Carol Wolenberg, stated that granting a DEP extension is extremely uncommon. This request would be taken to Michael Flanagan, State Superintendent, for further review. During this meeting the state requested that the DEP be revised with additional cutbacks, staff reductions, and buyouts, then resubmit the plan for approval. The DEP was revised and submitted to the state on June 7, 2013 with the request of an extension of time. The DEP was approved as written on June 19, 2013, with some contingencies. Most of the contingencies are standard operating procedures; the most important contingency is maintaining our enrollment projected as it reflects in the revised DEP. State Superintendent Flanagan then ordered an investigation of the District finances, called a Preliminary Review, which began on June 26, 2013. On July 8, 2013 the state sent the District an Interim Report outlining the states findings during the Preliminary Review. The District was given five days to respond to this report; the District returned a response in four days. The state findings included the District was 3.3

million dollars in deficit; our negative fund balance was negative eight percent; our District deficit had been shrinking until the 2012/13 school year due to a unexpected decline in enrollment; and in the audits of 2011 and 2012 there were no internal weaknesses. All these issues were discussed with the state during our meeting on May 15, in Lansing, and an explanation was shared on to how the District would correct the deficit. The state commented that the District has paid their bills, made payroll, paid retirement, paid bond notes, and had not recently closed any schools. The state recapped by stating the District is in debt, with the approved extension the District will no longer be in the five-year parameters of the DEP, however, the District is over optimistic in the projected enrollment numbers. Mr. Barlow stated that the District is confident that with the budget reductions and the upcoming projected enrollment, the District will emerge out of deficit, and comply with the stipulations the state has set forth. The state report and the District report are combined, becoming a final report. This final report is sent to the Local Emergency Financial Assistance Loan Board within thirty days. This board will determine the possible financial stress that may occur in the Hazel Park Schools. If this board decides there is financial stress the State Governor will then appoint a review team, this team will have sixty days to review the District and state report(s) and inform their findings to the Governor. Should the review team and the Governor determine a Financial Emergency exists in Hazel Park Schools the local school board must choose one of the four options; 1) Consent Agreement; 2) Emergency Manager; 3) Neutral Evaluation Process; or 4) Chapter 9 Bankruptcy. Mr. Barlow said that the administration stands by its commitment that the District will emerge out of deficit within the allowed time parameters. Mr. Barlow stated that Superintendent Flanagan said that the Preliminary Review does not mean that the end result will be Governor Snyder declaring a Financial Emergency in the District. Ellen Cogen Lipton, State Representative, has been in contact with the District during this time and she has expressed her disapproval with how the state has proceeded with this matter regarding Hazel Park School's DEP.

Mrs. Sue Hemple, Board Trustee, referenced Superintendent Flanagan's July 8, 2013 letter. She reviewed and discussed the letter with the administration.

7. Report on Summer School 2013

Mr. Michael Barlow, Director of Curriculum, reported on the District's 2013 Summer School Programs. The high school is offering credit recovery classes beginning July 8 through August 1. Hazel Park Junior High School will run two summer school programs. The first session of summer school is currently underway and the second session of summer school will run towards the end of summer. Mr. Barlow stated that the elementary summer school will begin July 23 and run through August 22. Currently there are 84 students enrolled in the elementary summer school, with fourteen Hazel Park teachers on staff. Both the elementary and junior high summer school programs are fully funded by Title I and Title II grants.

Mr. Charles Hemple, Board Trustee, asked what classes are being offered at the high school. Mr. Barlow stated that there are selected online courses, along with English and algebra classroom courses.

8. 2012 Bond Project Update and Recommendations

Mr. Fred Nix, Owner's Representative for the 2012 Bond Project, updated the Board of Education on both the technology and construction projects. Mr. Nix stated that with the leadership of Mr. Ryan Stefanski, Director of Technology, the District is 95% complete on the network servers and wireless systems. The security systems will soon begin to be installed throughout the District. During the school year the electrical systems will be updated in each of the buildings. Mr. Nix stated that the track and field at the athletic complex is nearing completion.

Mr. Nix recommended to the Board of Education to approve a \$50,000 change order to overhaul the home and visitor bleachers for the safety of the spectators. The visitor press box will be removed, due to the extensive amount of repairs it would require.

Moved Mr. Nagy, supported by Mrs Polowski, that the Board of Education approve a change order for Southern Bleacher, to repair the home and visitor bleachers, not to exceed \$50,000, as requested.

Discussion

Mr. Ricky Nagy, Board Trustee, confirmed with Mr. Nix that this change order does not include the removal of the visitor press box.

Mr. Charles Hemple, Board Secretary, discussed the fencing around the bleachers with Mr. Nix.

Mr. James Meisinger, Superintendent, stated that with the visitor press box being removed he would like Mr. Nix to look into something that the Hazel Park Viking will be displayed on.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Nagy, Polowski, Hammonds, S. Hemple, C. Hemple

Nays: None

Mr. Nix referenced the letter from the Renaissance Building Services that was in the Board of Education packet to rescind their bid for the high school athletic exterior storage building since they did not follow the Request for Proposal (RFP).

Moved by Mr. Nagy, supported by Mrs. Polowski, that the Board of Education approve to rescind the bid from Renaissance Building Services for the high school athletic exterior storage building, as requested.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Nagy, Polowski, Hammonds, S. Hemple, C. Hemple

Nays: None

Mr. Nix stated that the Request for Proposal (RFP) came in for the high school exterior three bay storage building extremely high, far above the budget of \$90,000. The bids ranged from \$167,000 – \$250,000. Mr. Nix spoke with the lowest bidder R.L. Sheridan L.L.C. regarding the bid price being several thousand dollars over budget. R.L. Sheridan L.L.C. representative stated that they would work on the structure plans to bring the price down to approximately \$113,000. Mr. Nix recommended to the Board of Education to approve R.L. Sheridan L.L.C. for the high school exterior three bay storage building with the understanding the cost will be adjusted not to exceed \$113,000.

Moved Mrs. Hemple, supported by Mrs. Polowski, that the Board of Education approve R.L. Sheridan L.L.C. as recommended for the high school exterior three bay storage building contract.

Discussion

Board Members held a discussion with Mr. Nix regarding the price of the storage buildings and the Board Members expressed their concerns regarding the cost and being over budget on the project.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: S. Hemple, Polowski, Hammonds, Nagy, C. Hemple

Nays: None

Mr. Nix discussed with the Board that he will be asking for a change order next month for the classroom electrical projects. Mr. Nix reviewed the current budget balance and stated that at the end of this project there should be an estimated balance of \$900,000 to do other projects, such as roofs and parking lots.

RECOGNITION/COMMENDATION

1. Superintendent James Meisinger, commends **Rob Roberts**, teacher at Webster Elementary School, for saving a man's life. Rob Roberts was recently attending the NEA Representative Assembly in Atlanta. While waiting for the train, Rob Roberts and another person heard screams. They quickly discovered a man who had fallen onto the train tracks. Rob immediately jumped onto the train tracks to help lift the man back to the train platform and to safety. Rob performed this heroic act while risking electrocution and being hit by the oncoming train.
2. On behalf of Judy Dowbenko, Principal of Jardon School and staff would like to extend their sincere appreciation to **Father Dolan Knights of Columbus**, Hazel Park, Michigan, for their generous donations to Jardon School. Their group is to be commended for its interest in and concern for children with disabilities in the community. We are honored to be the recipient of their hard work and look forward to a continued partnership in this important work in promoting independence for our students.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

1. Sherry Wells
315 W. Troy
Ferndale
- Ms. Wells stated that she is running for office in Ferndale. She applauded the District for staying on task regarding the agenda and for obtaining grant funding for conferences.

BOARD MEMBER AND ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

1. None

ADJOURNMENT

Moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Hemples, Secretary
Hazel Park Board of Education