

**Webberville Community School's Board of Education  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006**

This Regular Meeting of the Webberville Board of Education was called to order by President Clifford Simmons in the Spartan Center Community Room on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006, at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Clifford H. Simmons II, Patricia Shanabrook, Teri Chamberlain, Kristine Brenner, Kathleen Westbrook, Caron Guidroz, Mark Miller

Absent: None

Also Present: Dr. William C. Skilling, Superintendent

**Approval of Agenda:**

Ms. Shanabrook moved, Ms. Guidroz seconded a motion to approve the Agenda of the Regular Board of Education Meeting being held Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006, as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Ms. Chamberlain moved, Ms. Shanabrook seconded a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

**Reports:**

Policy – Ms. Westbrook stated they did not meet.

Finance – Ms. Brenner stated they committee had met and talked about possible adjustments to the budgets. The district needs to get more information on the possibility of our state funding being cut as it is being projected any where from \$80 to \$160 per student which would be a major cut in funding to our district.

Building and Grounds – Ms. Chamberlain stated there is an item on the agenda regarding the 2007 Bond proposal.

Personnel – Ms. Shanabrook stated that there is an action item on the agenda.

Legislation – Ms. Westbrook stated that Proposal 5 did not pass and reviewed the after effects that this will have on the school district. The MASB will be do additional training for Board members if anyone is interested.

ISOA – Ms. Brenner stated that they reviewed thoughts on the election prior to the election date. She reviewed the MASB conference that she attended and also noted that Dr. Skilling was one of the presenters at this statewide conference.

Superintendent – Dr. Skilling highlighted the following items: MASB conference and presentations on Data to Results and Leadership in Crisis. Article in the district newsletter on Greg McCoy and stated that Greg will be recognized at Memorial Day service. Eileen Slider nominated for the Presidential Math/Science Teacher of the Year award. The Elementary school qualified as a Blue Ribbon finalist. They will get a school visit before Christmas.

**Communications and Petitions:**

Julia McCarty – 2524 Elm Road, Webberville - Requested that the names and contact information for the state legislators be listed on the website.

**Action Items:**

Ms. Chamberlain moved, Ms. Brenner seconded a motion to approve the application for the Preliminary Qualification of Bonds as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Westbrook moved, Ms. Chamberlain seconded a motion to approve the purchase of two busses as deemed necessary by the Finance Committee but not to exceed \$30,000. Motion passed 7-0.

Ms. Shanabrook moved, Ms. Chamberlain seconded a motion to approve the censorship resolution as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

**Question or Comments from the Audience:**

Raynie Bohlmann – 205 Elm Road, Webberville – Ms. Bohlmann asked for clarification on the censorship resolution that was just voted on by the board. Mr. Simmons explained that it was to censor Mr. Miller due to breach of confidentiality.

Tina Choszcyk – 4844 Allen Road, Webberville – Ms. Choszcyk asked if that meant that the board was talking about things that people don't know about. Ms. Westbrook responded that yes, that there are issues that are discussed in private with regards to individual names being used that are not for the public. Ms. Guidroz stated that the board needs to discuss issues that may never need to have action taken. Ms. Westbrook gave an example of having to cut \$20,000 from our budget, and how the board could discuss things in private and that these ideas may never come to fruition, however, they needed to be discussed and discussing them in public would be detrimental to the districts morale. Ms. Choszcyk responded that maybe the board should talk about them in public because someone else might have a better idea.

Raynie Bohlmann said to Mr. Miller "Mark, shame on you".

**Questions or comments from the Board of Education:**

None

**Closed Session:**

Ms. Shanabrook moved, Ms. Guidroz seconded a motion to move into closed session to discuss negotiations. Roll Call Vote: Simmons – Y, Shanabrook – Y, Chamberlain–Y, Brenner–Y, Guidroz–Y, Miller – Y, Westbrook – Y. Motion passed 7-0. The board moved into closed session at 7:30 p.m.

Ms. Guidroz moved, Ms. Westbrook seconded a motion to move back into open session. Motion passed 7-0. The board returned to open session at 8:01 p.m.

Ms. Westbrook asked the board if we should have the policy committee review a formal policy on the colors used for graduation robes. Mr. Simmons asked her to have the policy committee make a recommendation.

**Adjournment**

Ms. Westbrook moved, Ms. Brenner seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teri L. Chamberlain, Secretary, Webberville Board of Education

Webberville Community Schools, Ingham and Livingston Counties, Michigan (the "District").

A regular meeting of the board of education (the "Board") of the District was held in the , in the District, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2006 at 7 o'clock in the PM.

The meeting was called to order by Cliff Simmons, President.

Present: Members            Simmons, Shanabrook, Brenner, Chamberlain,  
   Westbrook, Guidroz, Miller

Absent: Members

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Shanabrook and supported by Member Chamberlain:

**WHEREAS**, at this Board of Education's July 17, 2006 meeting, members of the Board of Education expressed concern regarding whether certain action taken by Board Member Mark Miller violated ethics guidelines generally applicable to public board of education members and Mr. Miller responded to those concerns by stating that he could not promise to follow the rules or ethical guidelines in the future.

**WHEREAS**, members of this Board of Education believe that Mr. Miller acted unethically by disclosing a confidential e-mail from the Superintendent of Schools dated October 6, 2006.

**WHEREAS**, based upon the conduct described above, members of the Board of Education believe that Board member Mark Miller should be censured and that information sent to members of the Board of Education by the Superintendent of Schools should be screened by the president of the Board of Education so that the president of the Board of Education can determine the information that should be provided to Mr. Miller.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. Board member Mark Miller is hereby censured for engaging in conduct that this Board of Education believes is unethical, specifically:

- A. Disclosing a confidential e-mail from the Superintendent of Schools dated October 6, 2006; and
- B. Stating that he could not promise to follow ethical rules and guidelines in the future.

2. Further communications from the Superintendent of Schools to members of the Board of Education shall be screened by the Board of Education president before they are provided to Board member Mark Miller and the Board of Education president shall be authorized to determine whether any of that information should be withheld from Mr. Miller, with the understanding that in making that determination the Board of Education president shall not withhold information that the Board of Education president believes will prevent Mr. Miller from performing his official duties or restrict his opportunities to speak.

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

Ayes: Members Simmons, Shanabrook, Brenner, Chamberlain,  
Westbrook, Guidroz, Miller

Nays: Members

Motion declared adopted.



Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Webberville Community Schools, Ingham and Livingston Counties, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board at a regular meeting held on Nov 20, 2006, 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, 1976 PA 267, as amended.



Secretary, Board of Education