



# MEMBER MEETING MINUTES

March 18, 2014

6:30 pm – Media Center

## **WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER (6:31)**

Those in attendance: Kerri Layman, Julie Skodack, Chelsie Weigle, Joe Oberlee, Lani Chamberlain, Kevin Blanding, Jen Pike, Debbie Friggins, Cora Jonker, Jen Taylor, Angela Christian, Rebecca Bakker, Laura Thompson, Keith Konarska (and Team for 1<sup>st</sup> hour), Chris Baker, Levi Haight, a few outside “citizens of Grand Haven” were present to hear the Bond Proposal presentation.

### **1. SUPERINTENDENT (Keith Konarska)**

#### **a. Technology Bond**

- Things we took into Consideration.....
  - Provide general relief
  - Optimal environment for 21<sup>st</sup> century leaders
  - Provide facilities to accommodate an increase in student involvement
  - Provide voters with a 10 year sustainability plan providing short and long term investment in the district
  - Package proposals to minimize impact on taxpayers while maximizing investment in educational facilities/programs
  - Quickly emerging technology advances
  - Increasing online education requirements
  - Switch to project based instructional learning models (not doing meap next year, doing different type of assessment – needs to be done on a computer etc.)
  - Expanding summer program options
  - Talked about non principal resident renewal (see flyer)
  - Had a community look at the why we were doing a bond proposal – why is technology important in community and in our schools. This committee was composed of parents and teachers
- 4 criteria – increase equitable access to all students, provide an increase in student engagement, student centered classrooms 1 to 1 centered, 4 year replacement cycles (age appropriate devices) - iPad (y5,K at Robinson and 4<sup>th</sup> at Mary White), chrome books (at lakeshore), chrome books going to high school next looking for opinions from students and teachers once pilot is completed
- POWERPOINT PRESENTATION INCLUDES DETAILS OF WHAT IS IN EACH BOND (this can be found on the GHAPS website, Kevin indicated this is also on Rosy's website)
- COMMENTS
- Rebecca Bakker indicated a desire to look at a way to bring back full time music and art. Our students are missing a critical piece by only receiving this part time. Is there a way to look at TLT and making some adjustments? Keith indicated it is difficult to take away from instructional time. Where does that time come from?
- Angela Christianson – also showed concern about art and music. Maybe cut some of the additional (non-Michigan testing) assessments. Keith indicated they will look at that.
- Kristin Nelson – question about access drive and where it will be located in relation to the fields at the high school. (There is a conceptual drawing that can be viewed).
- Levi Haight – concern with lack of communication skills for students while using technology. Kevin addressed that this will be used to enhance what we do now, it will not replace pen and paper
- An “outside citizen” indicated that you can find great information via the FACEBOOK page (did not know “name” of page, and did not have ability to search for this at the meeting, more of an fyi that one is out there)



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- Kevin pointed out that all bond information can also be found on the TV screen in Rosy front entrance

## 2. LIGHTHOUSE TEAM

- Tyler Layman and Johanna Weigle were present with Mrs. Thompson and Erika Phelps (registered dietician). They discussed the Fuel Up to Play 60 program (a partnership between the NFL and the dairy council) the focus is to help fight obesity, 60 minutes of play a day, healthy eating. They will be kicking this off on May 20<sup>th</sup> and asked the PTA for assistance with volunteers for that day. (would like to have about 20-30 parent helpers for the afternoon)
- A field day and tasting day will be held on the 20<sup>th</sup>, with the 4<sup>th</sup> graders kicking this event off
- Started with NOCH coming to (Mrs. Thompson) Rosy saying we will give you \$500 to use this school year, it is yours to use but needs to center around health and fitness.

## 3. PRESIDENT (Kerri Layman)

### a. Nominations

Jen Taylor made a motion (2<sup>nd</sup> by Jen Pike) for Debbie Friggins to become the President and Theresa Sispera to become the Volunteer Coordinator. The Enrichment VP is still an open position (anyone interested can still be nominated). The Secretary (Diana Frenndt), Treasurer (Joe Oberlee) and Membership VP (Lani Chamberlain) will remain in their positions for another year.

### b. Rosy Mound Scholarship

Scholarship applications are available at the High School. We have received 2 at this point. The due date for submittal is March 25<sup>th</sup>.

### c. Rosy Gives Back

We raised \$360.66 during the Children's Advocacy Center penny drive, with Mrs. Lampen's class winning the "pizza party" for the largest classroom donations. They are also the recipients of the Rosy Gives back \$ raised from the craft table fee. This organization comes into each classroom every year and does a presentation on appropriate touching, bathing suit zones, words to say if ever in a situation, who to talk to etc. They are very appreciative of the donation as are we for the countless hours they spend here and throughout Ottawa county helping our children.

During Pink out we also did an amazing job. We raised \$771.11 for Bucs Pride (cancer research) – another great organization.

### d. Jog-a-thon

Jog-a-thon assembly is coming up. The date is set for Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup>. The theme will be announced to the students at that time. We will again be sending home a flyer for an opportunity to be a sponsor. This helps defer the costs of the prizes as well as the t-shirts and take home prize given to all students.



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## 4. MEMBERSHIP (Lani Chamberlain)

### a. Membership Status

We had sent an email blast reminding those that have not yet joined the PTA this year, there is still time. We will continue to receive applications until May.

At this time our member status remains at 90.

## 5. ENRICHMENT (Chelsie Weigle)

- a. Enrichment Final Report – Chelsie reported that 8 classes were held with a total of 70 students. Our final \$ brought in was \$1240.29.

## 6. TREASURER (Joe Oberlee)

### a. Budget Update

Joe highlighted the following areas...

Highlighted leader in me – over budget

Discussed Meijer rewards – Rosy # 416393

Total in bank at this time \$15,274.22

### b. Audit and Status of taxes to be submitted to MIPTA

These items will be sent to MI PTA per our requirements as an organization. We will send them at the same time as the Bylaws.

## 7. SECRETARY (Diana Frenndt)

- a. Bylaws Approval (made a motion per attached sheet. This motion was made by Jen Taylor and received a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Cora Jonker)

- b. Labels for Education status – informed all that we were able to make a number of “purchases” with our label points. Playground balls, books etc.

## 8. VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR (Julie Skodack)

### a. Upcoming Events

- Variety Show (3/25) – next week Tuesday, with rehearsal on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Teacher Appreciation Week (5/5-5/9) – working on the details

## 9. PRINCIPAL (Kevin Blanding)

- a. Leader in Me Update – Teachers selected as student (2<sup>nd</sup> thru 4<sup>th</sup> grade) from their classroom to participate on the Lighthouse Team. All classrooms have been moving forward teaching the students the habits. The students understand the habits and can pick these out from books etc. They are able to name the habits. They are now working on how you continue to build on this to bring the students to the next level.

- b. PA System update – Big thank you to Audio Impact who did some rewiring for a minimal cost (maybe \$100) so that our announcements are now clear and can be heard by all.

## 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

## 11. NEW BUSINESS - None

**ADJOURNMENT** @ 8:25 p.m.