

THORNAPPLE KELLOGG BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 10, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Haney at 7:00 p.m. in Middle School, Room #1616.

Members present: Ordway, Haney, Smith, Bobolts, Thomas, Selleck

Members absent: Kiel

Administrators present: Rider, Enslin, Marcy, Koski, Balding, Birely, Langschied, Gelmi, Jefferson, Washburn, Price, Briggs

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Motion by Haney, seconded by Selleck that the Board of Education adopt the agenda as presented.

Affirmative: All  
Negative: None  
Motion: Carried

APPRECIATION AND  
RECOGNITION

Coach Tim Penfield was recognized for his outstanding leadership as Varsity Baseball Coach and the team earning All State Academic Honors for the 2009/2010 and 2010/2011 school years.

High School Special Education Paraeducator Fran Jones was recognized for earning first place in The Grand Rapids Press' second annual "PressPrize" competition with her cut-paper art piece "City Friends."

STANDARDS OF PRACTICE The Administrative Team signed the 2011/2012 Standards of Practice document.

PUBLIC INPUT Kevin Kane, TKEA President and father of three kids at TK Schools, spoke of importance of small class sizes with professional/qualified teachers.

CONSENT GROUPING Motion by Haney, seconded by Thomas that the following Consent Grouping items be approved:

- A. September 12, 2011 Regular Board meeting minutes.

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Roll Call Vote

Affirmative: Haney, Smith, Bobolts, Thomas,  
Selleck, Ordway  
Negative: None  
Motion: Carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Haney, seconded by Thomas that the Thornapple Kellogg Board of Education approve expenditures for the payment of bills for September 2011 in the amount of \$3,117,935.25.

Roll Call Vote

Affirmative: Smith, Bobolts, Thomas, Selleck,  
Ordway, Haney  
Negative: None  
Motion: Carried

THORNAPPLE AREA PARKS  
AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
(TAPRC)

Catherine Beyer, Director of TAPRC, was in attendance to provide a report to the Board. TAPRC is comprised of three entities: Thornapple Kellogg Schools, the Village of Middleville and Thornapple Township. Each entity is responsible for appointing three Board members to the Commission. The main focus of TAPRC is youth sports that are not currently offered through other organizations - baseball, softball and flag football. They also run an adult slow-pitch league. Catherine shared information on the facilities they use, their funding sources, and their fundraising. Looking ahead, TAPRC will complete a new five year recreation plan, seek grants for current programs and for program expansion, hope to develop additional community fields for baseball and softball, and want to seek grants from the Natural Resources Trust, as well as, the Land & Water Conservation Fund. Two of the things they would like to do with the grants would be expanding walking/fitness trails and disc golf course opportunities. As part of the five year recreation plan process, additional ideas will be generated through community input.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Technology Director Kevin Briggs and Network Administrator John Dombrowski were in attendance to provide a technology update to the Board. The district maintains about 1200 computers, which

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include laptops, netbooks and desktops. Internet bandwidth has been quadrupled which should be sufficient for the district for the next three years. They reported that the district is moving from Microsoft Office to Google Apps and from computers to devices. Kevin stressed the role of technology is to support the school's curriculum. He also assured the Board that security is in place to protect the network by having separate District and Guest networks (The Guest network cannot access the District's network).

MEAP/MME REVISED CUT  
SCORES

Assistant Superintendent Tom Enslin shared a comparison of old and new MEAP/MME cut scores, and the impact it will have on our test results. The changes are meant to better represent student college and career readiness.

2010/2011 TK AUDIT

Director of Finance Chris Marcy gave an overview of the Thornapple Kellogg Schools June 30, 2011 Audited Financial Statements. A more detailed review was presented during the Finance Committee meeting which preceded this meeting. Chris recognized her staff for their outstanding work on the audit. TK received an unqualified opinion. Chris reviewed budget versus amended budget versus actual revenues and expenditures. The year end fund balance was 14.59%, which is considered healthy. Chris also reported a clean Single Audit Letter. Member Don Haney thanked Chris and her team for their hard work.

BEST PRACTICES  
INCENTIVE RESOLUTION

Motion by Haney, seconded by Ordway that the Thornapple Kellogg Board of Education pass the Best Practices Incentive Resolution as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Affirmative: Bobolts, Thomas, Selleck, Ordway,  
Haney, Smith

Negative: None

Motion: Carried

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Gary reported to the Board:

1. Consumers Energy will be trimming/cutting down two trees on district property that are close to power lines.
2. NEOLA (which hosts the District's Board policies) is changing to a new server.
3. Personnel Committee meeting tentatively scheduled for late October.
4. Enrollment is up about 90 students. Buildings are surveying new families to see why they are coming to our district.
5. Thanked teachers, administrators and all other staff for creating an environment where families want to come.

PUBLIC INPUT

Patricia Johns announced she has submitted her resignation from J-Ad Graphics effective November 18. She has reported on TK Schools for thirteen years and thanked the Board for their hard work. Dave Smith thanked Patricia for all of her positive coverage of TK Schools throughout the years.

ADJOURNMENT

Smith adjourned at 8:20 pm.

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Joyce A. Bobolts, Secretary  
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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the attached are a true copy of the approved minutes of the Regular Meeting held October 10, 2011, and that said approved minutes have been available to the public at the address designated on the posted public notice of said meeting from and after November 14, 2011.

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Joyce A. Bobolts, Secretary  
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