

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 April 18, 2016, and was called to order by President Noth at 7:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Noth, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Adkins, Nagy, Polowski  
Members Absent: None  
Others Present: Berger, Kruppe, Romzek, Stefanski, Paterson

INVOCATION

The Invocation was delivered by Pastor Barry David of the Landmark Community Church, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Action Item)

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

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Polowski, Nagy, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Adkins, Noth

Nays: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Corey Valezquez  
23392 Reynolds  
Hazel Park

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Mrs. Valezquez addressed the Board of Education regarding her request to release her daughter from Hazel Park Schools being denied.

## SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Students of the Month

*April **Trustworthiness** Students of the Month: a student who keeps their promises, loyal to their friends and family, do what they say they are going to do, always telling the truth, they are who they say they are, return things that they borrow, turn things into the “Lost and Found”, to name a few characteristics.*

Superintendent Kruppe interviewed each of the students before the Regular Board of Education meeting. Pictures were taken with the students, Dr. Kruppe and available Board of Education members. At the Regular Board of Education Meeting, Dr. Kruppe introduced each student, presented them with a “Trustworthiness” certificate, and board members congratulated the students on their achievement.

*Hoover Elementary School*

- 1) London Vance (Kindergarten)
- 2) Tabitha Hang (2nd Grade)
- 3) Lauren Zbozien (5th Grade)

*United Oak Elementary School*

- 1) Jacob DeBoer-Rowse (Kindergarten)
- 2) Emily Timek (3rd Grade)
- 3) Ronisha Daniels (4th Grade)

*Webb Elementary School*

- 1) Aubrie Kelly (Kindergarten)
- 2) Hannah Truba (2nd Grade)
- 3) Ameri Kuzemka (4th Grade)

*Hazel Park Junior High School*

- 1) Katelyn Artan (6th Grade)
- 2) Rebecca Adkins (7th Grade)
- 3) Yen Duong (8th Grade)

*Hazel Park High School*

- 1) Haley Beverlin (10th Grade)
- 2) Antonio Caputo (10th Grade)

*Hazel Park Alternative High School*

- 1) Angell Owensby (10th Grade)

*Jardon*

- 1) Angel Rosinski (Post Secondary)

**B. Hazel Park Employee of the Month**

## 1) Kenneth Calloway, Jardon Vocational Center Teacher

Dr. Amy Kruppe, Superintendent, introduced Mr. Kenneth Calloway, April Employee of the Month. She thanked Mr. Calloway for his dedication to Hazel Park Schools and always going above and beyond. Mr. Calloway thanked the Superintendent, administration and the Board of Education for this recognition.

## a) Employees of the Month Honorable Mention

- (1) Deborah Farris, Jardon Vocational Center Paraprofessional
- (2) Carrie Johnson, Hoover Elementary School Teacher
- (3) Kristin Lambert, Advantage Teacher
- (4) Sean McDonald, Hazel Park High School Security Guard
- (5) Barbara Wilson, Hazel Park Alternative High School Teacher

**CONSENT AGENDA (Action Items)****A. Approval of Minutes**

- 1) March 14, 2016, Special Meeting
- 2) March 15, 2016, Special Meeting
- 3) March 21, 2016, Regular Meeting
- 4) March 28, 2016, Special Meeting

**B. Monthly Financial Reports**

- 1) Cash Balances Report
- 2) Electronic Fund Transfers Report
- 3) Check Register
- 4) Cash Receipts Register
- 5) Budget/Actual Financial Report
- 6) Deficit Elimination Plan Budgetary Control Report

**C. Notes of Appreciation**

- 1) The Family of Michelle Krause Supervisor - Acknowledges the expression of sympathy from the Board of Education at the time of her father's death (Henry E. Chmiel).

**D. Leave of Absence**

- 1) Jessika Souleyrette, H.P.P.A. Paraprofessional, Jardon Vocational Center, requests a Leave of Absence

**E. Resignations/Retirements**

- 1) Jeronima Alampi, H.P.E.A. Teacher, Hazel Park High School, intends to resign effective June 18, 2016
- 2) Randy Allensworth, H.P.P.A. Paraprofessional, Edison M.A.X., intends to resign effective April 21, 2016
- 3) Douglas Betzing, H.P.E.A. Teacher, Hazel Park High School, intends to retire effective September 1, 2016
- 4) Lisa Lee, H.P.E.A. Teacher, Hazel Park High School, intends to retire effective June 18, 2016

- 5) Larry Marks, H.P.E.A. Psychologist, Hoover Elementary School, intends to retire effective June 18, 2016
- 6) Lindsay Nichols, H.P.E.A. Teacher, Webb Elementary School, intends to resign effective June 18, 2016
- 7) Julia Sluchak-Carlsen, Unaffiliated Teacher, Hazel Park Alternative Program, intends to resign effective April 25, 2016
- 8) Casey Spiegel, H.P.P.A. Paraprofessional, Edison M.A.X., intends to resign effective March 24, 2016
- 9) Esther Whittico, H.P.E.A. Teacher, Edison M.A.X., intends to retire effective June 18, 2016

F. New Hire Personnel Recommendations

- 1) Raehana Ayers, Edison M.A.X. Paraprofessional, effective March 21, 2016
- 2) Dawn Gafa-Davis, Unaffiliated Teacher, Hazel Park Cyber School, effective date of hire April 18, 2016 – August 29, 2016
- 3) Amie Gojcaj, Webster Latchkey Substitute, effective April 13, 2016
- 4) Anita Pulkki, Edison M.A.X. Paraprofessional, effective April 11, 2016
- 5) Debra Scott, Unaffiliated Administrative Secretary, \$50,000 prorated salary, effective when her present position is filled

G. H.P.E.A. Article 21 – Unpaid Leaves of Absence and Furlough Days

- 1) Alexandra Burton - Requests a Leave of Absence  
Hazel Park High  
School Teacher

H. Conference Requests

- 1) District Pre-Conference Approval Requests Report
- 2) MPAAA 2016 – Darrin Fox, Manager of SIS
- 3) GoogleFEST 2016 – Ryan Stefanski, Director of Technology and Custodial Services

Moved by Mrs. Polowski, supported by Mr. Nagy, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Polowski, Nagy, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Adkins, Noth

Nays: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Board of Education Policy Book – Neola of Michigan (Action Item)

- 1) 1000 Administration – Second Reading

Moved by Mrs. Polowski, supported by Mrs. Hemple, that the Board of Education approve the Second Reading of the 1000 Administration Policy.

Discussion

None

## Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Polowski, Hemple, Hinton, Hammonds, Adkins, Nagy, Noth

Nays: None

## NEW BUSINESS

A. Promise Zone Update (Informational Item)

Mrs. Kayla Roney-Smith, Promise Zone Director, updated the Board of Education, administration, and community on the recent Promise Zone events:

- Preparing and organizing fall scholarships that will be paid out in the fall 2016.
- The high school hosted Transition to College Workshop for all the senior students.
- The high school also hosted a Current and Recent Students Panel they spoke about the dos and don'ts when you go to college. During the workshop, the seniors also completed part 2 of the Promise Zone Scholarship.
- Congressman Sandy Levin interacted with selected the high school students to about their future interests.
- There are five slots available for 11<sup>th</sup> grade students to attend the Cranbrook Horizons Upper Bound program.
- Hazel Park Career Fellowship Program application remains open; all applicants must be 11<sup>th</sup> grade students, and they need to complete the online application.
- Promise Zone plans to host an orientation for students attending a community college.
- Chrysler UAW Co-operative Program talks continue with Dr. Kruppe, Dr. Postell and herself.
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be completed by all students that plan to attend college in the fall.

B. Business Update (Informational Item)

Mr. Daniel Romzek, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, stated that on Wednesday, April 12, 2016, Board President Rachel Noth, Dr. Amy Kruppe and himself appeared in front of the Local Emergency Financial Assistance Loan Board at the Department of Treasury in Lansing. The District is pleased to report that the District has accomplished another positive step forward for Hazel Park Schools' financial turnaround. The Treasury Department has completed their Preliminary Review of the School District's finances and has made the determination that there is no probable financial stress at the school district, due to the significant financial changes that have been made and implemented over the past year, and the Emergency Loan Board approved this recommendation. What this means is that the School District will be able to move forward

toward deficit elimination using the financial forecasts that are now in place. Dr. Kruppe and Mr. Romzek will work closely with the Central Office staff to develop an Enhanced Deficit Elimination Plan (EDEP) and enter into a Financial Recovery Agreement with Department of Treasury that will need to be strictly adhered to in the coming years in order to continue to avoid the appointment of an Emergency Manager. The District will be working closely with Treasury officials in the coming weeks and months to finalize this process and continue the positive movement forward toward a financial turnaround.

Mr. Romzek stated that the School District's Request for Proposals (RFP) for Food Service Management Companies (FSMC) for the 2016/2017 year was approved by the Michigan Department of Education earlier this month, and released to prospective bidders on April 13, 2016. He stated that a mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 18, where prospective FSMC will have an opportunity to walk-through School District food service areas during the lunch meal service times and inspect the facilities, equipment, and overall food service operations. The group will tour Hazel Park High School, Junior High School, and Webb Elementary School. Mr. Romzek has received a number of communications from interested food service companies, and the District is encouraged by their interest in working with Hazel Park Schools. Proposals for services are due on Friday, May 6. The District will carefully review the proposals score each on a number of non-price criteria, and invite one or two firms in to interview with a team of school officials along with representatives from the School District's Food Service Parent Advisory Committee. The District is hoping to have a recommendation for an award in time for the May 16, 2016, Board of Education meeting, but may need to ask for a special board meeting to approve the contract, in order for the new firm to be in place for a July 1, 2016, start date.

C. Comerica Bank Commercial Purchase Card Program Recommendation (Action Item)

Mr. Daniel Romzek, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, stated that he is recommending approval from the Board of Education to participate in a Commercial Card Program offered by Comerica Bank through a consortium of Oakland County school districts and governmental agencies. This consortium has been in place for a number of years in the county. The Comerica Card Program provides an opportunity for district staff to utilize Purchasing Card (P-Card) for their use to purchase school supplies, materials, and services. A MasterCard is issued to authorized employees under the school district's consolidated commercial card program with Comerica Bank. Instead of processing purchase orders for each school purchase, cardholders can make purchases with their cards, thereby significantly reducing paperwork for the purchase, and streamlining the purchasing process. One payment is made each month by the School District for all purchases made on all cards during the month, which makes for a much more efficient purchasing process for school supplies and materials. Unlike a commercial credit card, the School District has the ability to exercise significant control over spending in a P-Card program in the following ways:

- Spending limits can be set on each card with single purchase limits, purchase limit within a single timeframe (daily, weekly, monthly, etc.), limits on the number of transactions per day and/or limits on the number of transactions per billing cycle.
- Cards can be restricted by Merchant Category Codes so they cannot be used at certain types of merchants.

- Control over the card program is maintained by the School District administrator overseeing the program, which includes canceling or modifying a card, online and in real time.

Moved by Mrs. Polowski, supported by Mrs. Adkins, that the Board of Education approve the Comerica Bank Commercial Purchase Card Program, as recommended.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Polowski, Adkins, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Nagy, Noth

Nays: None

D. Network Fiber Repairs Contract Recommendation (Action Item)

Mr. Daniel Romzek, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, stated that there are a number of repairs and maintenance needed for the School District's internal and external network fiber optic connections. This fiber provides the technology network connectivity to all Hazel Park Schools and Oakland Schools. These needed repairs were identified during the 2013 technology bond work. Due to the size and scope of repairs needed, we sought competitive bids for this work, in consultation with the School District's technology consultants at Convergent Technology Partners (CTS). Two sets of bids were sought – one for the internal fiber repairs and the other for external fiber repairs. Further, routine annual maintenance is needed on the external fiber, and pricing was sought for a three-year maintenance agreement for this needed maintenance work. The School District received sets of proposals from two (2) firms for this work on April 6, 2016. However, one bidder was disqualified because their proposal packet was missing several required bid submissions and the proposal form was incomplete. Proposals received from the remaining bidder, Turnkey Network Services, were reviewed and evaluated by CTS consultants for compliance with the Requests for Proposal (RFP), pricing, completeness, and acceptance of the RFP terms and conditions, and CTS has provided a recommendation for contract awards for both the internal and external fiber repairs/maintenance. Please refer to the attached recommendation letters from CTS. Turnkey Network Services pricing can be summarized as follows, along with source of funding:

2012 Bond Funds	
Internal Fiber Repairs	\$ 6,792.72
External Fiber Repairs	<u>\$ 8,167.45</u>
Total Bond Funds	\$14,960.70

Three year Annual Maintenance Cost:  
\$21,636.63

Mr. Ryan Stefanski, Director of Technology and Custodial Services, stated that 80% of the maintenance cost would be covered under E-rate.

Moved by Mrs. Adkins, supported by Mr. Nagy, that the Board of Education approve the contract with Turnkey Network Services, as recommended.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Adkins, Nagy, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Polowski, Noth

Nays: None

E. Hazel Park Memorial Library – Approval of Library Resolutions (Action Items)

1) *Hazel Park Memorial Library* name change to *Hazel Park Memorial District Library*

Mrs. Rachel Noth, Board President, read aloud the Resolution 03-00-16 *Changing the Name of the Hazel Park District Library to Hazel Park Memorial Library, A District Library.*

Moved by Mrs. Polowski, supported by Mrs. Hemple, that the Board of Education approve the Hazel Park Memorial Library name change to Hazel Park Memorial District Library Resolution, as presented.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Polowski, Hemple, Hinton, Hammonds, Adkins, Nagy, Noth

Nays: None

2) Ballot Language for a District Wide Library Millage

Mrs. Rachel Noth, Board President, read aloud the *Resolution Approving the Ballot Language for a District Wide Library Millage.*

Moved by Mrs. Adkins, supported by Mrs. Polowski, that the Board of Education approve the Ballot Language for a District Wide Library Millage, as presented.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Adkins, Polowski, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Nagy, Noth

Nays: None

F. Resolution for the Approval or Disapproval of the Oakland Schools Budget (Action Item)

Mr. Daniel Romzek, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, recommended to the Board of Education to approve the Resolution for the Oakland Schools Budget for the 2016/17 school year. Mr. Romzek stated that several administrators have had the



opportunity to hear the presentation regarding the Oakland Schools budget as well as review the budget documentation that is provided by the ISD.

### **ISD BUDGET RESOLUTION**

The School District of the City of Hazel Park, Michigan (the "District")

A regular meeting of the board of education of the District was held in the Ford Administration Building in the Hazel park School District, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Rachel Noth, President.

Present: Noth, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Adkins, Nagy, Polowski

Absent: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Sherrie Polowski and supported by Member Ricky Nagy:

#### **WHEREAS:**

1. Section 624 of the Revised School Code, as amended, requires the intermediate school board to submit its proposed budget no later than May 1 of each year to the board of each constituent district for review; and
2. Not later than June 1 of each year, the board of each constituent district shall review the proposed intermediate school district budget, shall adopt a board resolution expressing its support for or disapproval of the proposed intermediate school district budget, and shall submit to the intermediate school board any specific objections and proposed changes the constituent district board has to the budget.

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

1. The board of education has received and reviewed the proposed intermediate school district budget in accordance with Section 624 of the Revised School Code, as amended, and by the adoption of this resolution, expresses its support for the proposed intermediate school district budget.
2. The secretary of the board of education or his/her designee shall forward a copy of this resolution to the intermediate school board or its superintendent no later than June 1.
3. All resolutions insofar as they conflict with this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Polowski, Nagy, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Adkins, Noth

Nays: None

Resolution declared adoption.

(Signed) Sue Hemple  
Secretary, Board of Education

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Hazel Park, 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 April 18, 2016, 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.

(Signed) Sue Hemple  
Secretary, Board of Education

Moved by Mrs. Polowski, supported by Mr. Nagy, that the Board of Education approve the Resolution for the Approval of the 2015/16 Oakland Schools Budget, as requested.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Polowski, Nagy, Hinton, Hemple, Hammonds, Adkins, Noth

Nays: None

G. Superintendent Update

1) Elementary Principal Hiring Update (Informational Item)

Dr. Amy Kruppe, Superintendent, stated that there were over 200 applicants that applied for the Hoover Elementary Principal position. The candidates were narrowed to eleven and had a twenty-minute screening interview with Mr. Romzek, Dr. Berger and herself. They were asked six questions then were given an assignment regarding their values and educational vision. Dr. Kruppe stated that after the interview questions and assignment are rated the eleven candidates would be narrowed to the top five or six. The top candidates will attend Hoover Elementary School's community interview panel. After this process, the candidates will be narrowed down to two. These two candidates will have a teacher, parent and student meet and greet at Hoover Elementary School then dinner with the Board of Education. Dr. Kruppe plans to bring a recommendation to the Board of Education at their regular May Board of Education Meeting.

2) H.P.E.A. MOA – Wages for the 2016/17 School Year (Action Item)

Superintendent Kruppe, reviewed the Memorandum of Agreement with the Board of Education, she discussed in part: the start and end times to the school day for elementary, junior high and high school, additional staff development hours, 180 attendance days for students, as required by the state and teachers will work 181 and a half days, and the

furlough days have been restored. Dr. Kruppe thanked the teachers for their joint efforts to collaboratively work together to settle the MOA.

Moved by Mrs. Hemple, supported by Mrs. Hammonds, that the Board of Education approve the Hazel Park Education Association (H.P.E.A.) Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), April 15, 2016, for the 2016/17 school year, as presented.

Discussion

None

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Hemple, Hammonds, Hinton, Adkins, Nagy, Noth

Nays: None

Abstain: Polowski, conflict of interest

3) District Calendar for the 2016/17 SY (Informational Item)

Dr. Amy Kruppe, Superintendent, reviewed the elementary, junior high and high school calendars with the Board of Education and stated that once the calendars are completed, they will be made available to the public.

4) 2016/17 Staffing (Action Item)

Dr. Amy Kruppe, Superintendent, reviewed the 2016/17 certified and administration staff worksheets for each school and programs. She explained the staffing that she recommended for the 2016/17 school year. Dr. Kruppe stated that teachers have the opportunity to submit requests to her regarding desired moves for next school year. Dr. Kruppe stated that some of the positions would not be filled until the District has defined enrollment numbers. The District currently employees 238 teachers and ancillary staff next school year the District estimates they will need to employee 253, this is an increase of 15.3%. Many of the increased positions will be grant funded with 31a, special education center programs and Project Lead the Way. This is the best estimate to date based on student enrollment. Next month Dr. Kruppe plans to review the support staff worksheets for each school and program.

Dr. Kruppe spoke about a new enrollment tool that will be put in place for parents to confirm their child(ren)s enrollment for next school year. The parents will confirm their address; contact information, student's enrollment for next school year, and then the student's enrollment screen will be rolled forward. With this new tool in place, the District will be able to monitor student enrollment.

Moved by Mrs. Hemple, supported by Mrs. Hammonds, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of certified staff for the 2016/17 school year, as present.

Discussion

None

## Roll Call Vote

Yeas: Hemple, Hammonds, Hinton, Adkins, Nagy, Polowski, Noth

Nays: None

## 5) Superintendent Goals (Informational Item)

Dr. Amy Kruppe, Superintendent, reviewed her yearly goals to date. She discussed M-Step test scores; Rich Voltz's visits, NWEA testing, data training for the teachers, MTSS presentations, the Strategic Planning Committee, Neola Policies, curriculum, school visits, Stakeholder Meetings, Superintendent Chats and the Meal Program Meetings.

## 6) Superintendent Committees (Informational Item)

## a) Community Engagement Team

Mrs. Beverly Hinton, Board Vice President, gave an update on the Community Engagement Team. She stated that the Community Engagement Team with the assistance of the city will have four committees: Hazel Park High School Track Committee, for all our community members to utilize for walking, the city has offered to open and close the track for the community members; Home Town Huddle Committee, for the welcome back to school event on September 30, with city businesses; School Supplies Committee, to focus on collecting schools supplies from August 1 until the start of school, the community will have drop-off stations for the school supplies; and Media Sign Committee, to raise funds for a sign to be placed at Nine Mile by the library. Dr. Kruppe stated that she had received a \$200 donation from Pride Reality toward the sign. Great things are happening in Hazel Park!

## b) Website Committee

Mr. Ryan Stefanski, Director of Technology and Custodial Services, gave a walk-through of the new district website at [hazel.schoolwires.net](http://hazel.schoolwires.net). Mr. Stefanski and the Board of Education held a discussion regarding the website and the timeline of completion by the start of school in the fall.

## c) Policy Committee

Dr. Amy Kruppe, Superintendent, stated the next policy meeting will be April 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Kruppe stated that she would like to form a committee to discuss an I.N.V.E.S.T. Charter Program for non-resident Hazel Park Schools students. Mr. Ricky Nagy, Board Trustee and Mrs. Laura Adkins, Board Trustee, volunteered to be part of the committee. Dr. Kruppe stated that she, Mr. Romzek and Mrs. LaPorte would be setting a date and time to discuss this matter in the near future.

## d) Ruth Geise Committee

Dr. Amy Kruppe, Superintendent, stated that no meetings have been scheduled to date.

## RECOGNITION/COMMENDATION

- A. Mrs. Corri Nastasi, Principal at Webb Elementary School, announced that the **Ferndale Free Methodist Church** contacted them regarding extending funds they had received from their church parishioners and corporate sponsors to assist families over spring recess. The church purchased \$6,125 in gift cards from Meijer and the Meijer Corporation. The church divided the funds by giving \$125 / child, plus an additional \$25 for the family from Meijer. A family with one child received \$150; two children received \$275; three children received \$400. In addition to this they also received a grant from Micro Focus in Troy to provide for a new backpack for each child, as well as for at least one pair of shoes for each child; either play or dress shoes, whatever the parent requested. They plan to provide a meal for all of our families when they stop by to pick up the shoes for their children. So the total giving for this project from all three sources was \$10,125. What a wonderful gift this has been for many of our Webb Elementary families. We look forward to continuing this partnership with them in the future. Thank you Ferndale Free Methodist Church for your generosity!
- B. Mrs. Tammy Scholz, Principal at Hazel Park Junior High, would like to thank **Carla Beach, Janet Langtry, Karen Tylenda, Jackie Krentz, and Kathy Putnam** for organizing a spectacular event on March 31, 2016, that we called “Authors Among Us” to celebrate March is Reading month at HPJH and **Nicole Henisse** for attending the event. We had 2 authors come and speak to our families about their experiences as authors: Young Adult Author, Tracy Bilen and Adult Author, Elizabeth Heiter. Every child that came to the event left with a book and every family that RSVP’d to the event received at least one of the author’s books.
- C. Mrs. Tammy Scholz, Principal at Hazel Park Junior High, would like to thank **Karen Converse** for organizing our “Team Up to Cure Leukemia” fundraiser and our “Bring the Change” spirit week. Our school goal was \$1300 that was just over \$2 per student and the students collected **\$1356.46!!!** Thank you also to **Kristina Herron, Anita Harris,** and Mrs. Converse’s class for counting the money and the HPJH student council members for making the posters, the collection boxes, the daily announcements and the online campaign. About 30 students and some staff purchased a t-shirt to celebrate the week, which helped with the fundraising because **Mr. Tom Davids** made the shirts so that all the profits would go to the Leukemia Foundation. Thank you to Mr. Davids for supporting our efforts!
- D. Dr. Michelle Krause, Supervisor at Edison M.A.X., would like to thank **Panasonic Automotive** for a \$5,000 grant that will be used to develop a Peer-to-Peer program at Edison M.A.X. for students with Autism. The Peer-to-Peer Program will link Edison students with Peers at Hazel Park Alternative High School. This program is about creating connections within a diverse group of students and ensuring that all students are acknowledged for what makes them different and what makes them and all of us the same. We also owe a debt of gratitude to **Mrs. Claire Holloway**, who initiated the grant both this year as well as grants received the last two years.

- E. Mrs. Tammy Scholz, Principal at Hazel Park Junior High, would like to thank **Carla Kinyon** for all the hard work to prepare and execute an amazing Family Game Night at HPJH on Friday, March 18, 2016. We had nearly 200 people attend this event and every child left with a special prize thanks to the many donations by our PTSA and teachers within our building. Donations were made by: **Karen Tylenda, Genette Farnsworth, Rebecca Nix and Michele Zabawa**. Thank you to **Kassandra Brown and Steve Kelly** for setting up both gyms with lots of sporting equipment such as volleyball, ping pong, basketball and badmitten. Mrs. Kinyon worked tirelessly with almost 40 students to create one of a kind carnival games that were the hit of the evening. The students that created the games and/or worked the event are: **Nicklas Bishop, Dakira Clower, Brooklyn Collis, Daelante Fenderson, Antonio Fisher, Gabe Fortress, Sara Gajos, Isabelle Gaughan, Athena Hanselman, Nyleigh Hawthorne, Nicholas Hoffman, Donavin Hollis, Larissa Hopkins, Raznin Hussain, Maryam Jajo, Conner Johnson, Cassie Klusek, William LaGrandeur, Kevin Lalande, Sterling Lalande, James Leshore, Breanna Mauney, Megan Mauney, Karissa Medulla, Sydnee Quinn, Israel Redes, Allison Resk, Sophia Resk, Andrew Savine, Candice Squire, Jazmine Sunklad, Ar'reon Thomas, Tyjana Tippins, Akhirah Tribble, Dakota Whitley Myers, Aran Williams and Olivia Young**. Thank you also to **Karen Converse** for preparing the flyers for the event and spreading the word about the event. We would also like to thank **Laura MacMillan, Margaret Callebs and Darlene Pellow** for working the raffle station and concession stand as well as **Christopher Benedetto** for chaperoning the large gym for most of the evening. It was truly a great night of FAMILY FUN!

#### BOARD MEMBER AND ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

- A. Board of Education Members - The Board Members thanked the community for attending the Board of Education Meeting. Board Members expressed their enjoyment of having all the Students of the Month and Employee of the Month. They thanked the Hazel Park Employees for their dedication to the district without them the District would not have received such wonderful news from the Treasury Department. They thanked the Administration Team for all the information they brought to the Board of Education Meeting this evening. The Board members gave a special thank you to the Ferndale Free Methodist Church for all they have done for the Webb Elementary families. Mrs. Adkins highlighted upcoming Hoover Elementary School activities and thanked the high school staff for all the communications they are sending to the parents to keep them informed. Mrs. Noth commented on seeing an increase in classroom technology. The Board members thanked all the stakeholders for working hard to make all the positive changes in Hazel Park Schools, thank you!

ADJOURNMENT

Moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Hemple, Secretary  
Hazel Park Board of Education