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# Board Briefs

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SUMMARY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION INTERIM MEETING

April 16, 2009

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## RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

**Slop Slingers and the Silver Gullet Band** - For decades, the Waterford School District has been well known for one very special menu item offered in cafeterias district-wide. The feature dish "Turkey Slop" continues to be a District favorite among staff and students alike!

In the spirit of District pride, several individuals, both staff and students, came together and gave their own personal time and resources to have some fun and celebrate this local delicacy. Known together as the *Slop Slingers and the Silver Gullet Band* are Food Service employees, Doreen Simmonds, Vickie Pillow, Carrie Cebula, Tina Rompa, Lisa Pohl, as well as Tom Fields, custodian, and Mott High School students, Eghele Egbo and Troy Pender.

This incredible group of people combined their talents and creativity to make a music video all about Turkey Slop set to the tune of "Old Time Rock and Roll." They were invited to perform at the Pierce Middle School talent show and are also asked to perform at the upcoming talent shows at the Waterford Senior Center and Waterford Village Elementary School. The Board of Education was treated to a live performance of their hit "Turkey Slop" song.

## STUDENT ITEMS

**Winter Athletic Accomplishments** - Rick Dorn, Supervisor of Athletics at Mott High School shared some of the winter activities and athletic accomplishments from both Mott and Kettering High Schools and recognized several student athletes.

**Helping Hands/Student Leaders** - Mary Finkelstein and two students from Pierce Middle School shared information with the Board of Education regarding the Helping Hands/Student Leaders program at Pierce.

## RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT FROM CENTRAL STAFF

**Brightest & Best** - Congratulations to Mott senior, Lindsay Trevethan and Kettering senior, Matthew Harris who were selected for WXYZ Channel 7's Brightest & Best. Since 1980, the station has honored graduating seniors from public and private schools who have demonstrated excellence in academic, extracurricular and community pursuits. Lindsay will be attending Grand Valley State University in the fall and Matthew will attend Grove City College in Pennsylvania. Congratulations to both of these outstanding students for this recognition.

**Destination ImagiNation** - Congratulations to all of the Waterford School District Destination ImagiNation teams that competed at Central Michigan University this past weekend. Four out of five competing teams placed in the top 10 in their division! Team managers Amy Beaupre and Rebecca Briggs led their Haviland team to 6<sup>th</sup> place in Vidio Lit Hits, Elementary Division, and Mike Haehn's team, also from Haviland took 12<sup>th</sup> place. In A New Angle, Middle Division, the Pierce team, managed by Kelli McCormick, placed 7<sup>th</sup> and Crary placed 8<sup>th</sup>. Crary team managers are Mike Mitchell and Sally McGregor. Lastly, the Pierce Middle School team and manager Sophia Marcero, placed 9<sup>th</sup> in Instinct Messaging, Middle Division. Thank you to the volunteer appraisers and congratulations again to these teams. This has been a very exciting and successful season.

**Riverside Raises Funds** - Congratulations to the Riverside Elementary School Student Council for raising \$100 from the recent "hat day" fundraising effort. This money was given to the Focus Hope Food Program to provide emergency food boxes to low income seniors in need.

**INFORMATION ITEM**

**Results on Bond Sale of 199 Series I Refunding** - Thomas Wiseman, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, and William Holbrook, Associate Director of Business Services, Finance & Budget, reported on the results of the 1999 Series I refunding bond sale that occurred at 11:00 AM, on Tuesday, April 14. Fifth Third Securities, Inc, was awarded the bid with the lowest interest rate of 2.4700%.

**Tentative Agreement on 2009-2010 Calendar** - Peni Aldrich, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented the proposed tentative agreement between the Waterford School District and the Waterford Education Association for the 2009-2010 calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Teacher Appreciation Week** - The Board of Education approved a resolution supporting National Teacher Appreciation Week, May 4-8, 2009, and encourages our schools and community to appropriately recognize that teachers are vital to the very fabric of our society.

**School Support Staff Week** - The Board of Education approved a resolution recognizing Michigan School Support Staff Week, April 20 - 24, 2009, and encourages the schools and community to recognize our support staff for the crucial role they play in the success of the learning community.

**2009-2010 Calendar** - The Board of Education approved the Tentative Agreement for the 2009-2010 calendar between the Waterford School District and the Waterford Education Association.

**Resignations** - The Board of Education approved the following retirement/resignation:

David Bishop, Teacher  
Pierce Middle School  
Retirement  
Effective June 30, 2009

**FUTURE****May 7, 2009**

Student - Jump Rope for Heart  
Information - MEAP  
Information - Waterford Foundation Update  
Information - Summer Reading Results  
Information - Continuous Improvement Planning Process  
Action - Continuous Improvement Planning Process

For information on these subjects, watch the replay of the Board meeting on Channel 22 Friday following the meeting at 10:00 AM, Sunday at 12:00 PM, again the following Monday at 8:00 PM. The Interim and Regular meetings, held on the first Thursday of each month, beginning at 7:00 PM. The public is invited to attend.