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OPTIONAL PRE-BID MEETING
For
Professional Services Search Firm for Superintendent
September 3, 2010 – Balas Administration Building, 10:00 AM

PARTICIPANTS

Bid Manager: Dave Comsa, Assistant Superintendent HR/Legal Services

Board of Education representation: Trustees Glenn Nelson and Susan Baskett

Firms Attending:

Richard W. Dunham, Director-Superintendent Services – MASB

William L. Brewer, Adjunct Consultant – MASB

David J. Kinsella, Managing Partner – Executive Search Consulting Services

Public Attending: Kyle Feldscher, reporter-AnnArbor.com, Jennifer Coffman,
reporter-Ann Arbor Chronicle

Q: Will the search firm work with a committee of the Board or the Board as a whole?

A: It's anticipated the firm will work with the Board as a committee of the whole, subject to board approval.

Q: How many current Board members were involved in the previous superintendent search?

A: Four of the seven board members.

Q: What is the anticipated level of community involvement?

A: Meaningful community involvement is very important. The last search involved community participation at different levels. The Board anticipates guidance from the chosen firm. Community partners have been identified from past searches. We want the community members who participate to be happy they were included in the process.

Q: Is the search to be national and will non-traditional candidates be considered?

A: The search is to be national with all candidates, both traditional and non-traditional, being considered. The Board seeks guidance from the chosen firm, keeping in mind the expectation of having a qualified candidate in place by July 1, 2011.

Q: What is the impact of the Strategic Plan on the superintendent's search?

A: The Strategic Plan is a district plan, not a superintendent's plan. The strategic planning process will continue during the search. The inclusion of the Strategic Plan on Page 5, Paragraph 6, was also included so that potential superintendent candidates would be informed about the district.

Meeting adjourned approx. 10:30 AM