**ORCHARD VIEW SCHOOLS**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Orchard View High School – Community Room

16 N. Quarterline Road

Muskegon, Michigan 49442

**MINUTES. WORKING SESSION**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**January 9, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m.**

(Organizational Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.)

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS:

 a. Call to Order

Meeting called to Order @ 6:30p.m by President, T. Joppie

 b. Roll Call

Members Present: T. Joppie, B. Zitka, J. Taylor, C. Overla, J. Hallberg, L. Johnson, and C. Bankhead

 Members Absent: None

 c. Public Comment - None

II. PRESENTATIONS:

1. OVMS Update – Hal Holman gave an overview of new programs taking place at the middle school. Additional math classes have been added to target struggling students. A new assessment NWEA is being implemented to measure student progress. He stated PBIS is going well and discipline referrals are down with teachers handling minor infractions themselves.
2. Custodial Coverage – Jack Timmer provided an indepth look at our current custodial staffing and the need for increased manpower. He reviewed the efforts that have taken place in order to resolve the problem to no avail. He discussed possibly raising the entry level wage for substitutes.

 III. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Schools of Choice Numbers – Jim Nielsen reviewed the 2016/2017 Schools of Choice numbers with the board and the current classroom enrollments. He suggested 30-40 openings in the elementary grades for the 2017/2018 and 10-15 openings per grade in the middle school for the upcoming year.

IV. SUPERINTENDENT’S ITEMS:

1. Jim reminded board members of the MLK Jr. Breakfast on January 13th, 2017 @ 7:30 a.m. and stated he has 2 or 3 tickets remaining for any board members that would like to attend.
2. The Tower Pinkster presentation will be held at the February Work Session.
3. A showing of the film Paper Tigers will be held in the OVHS auditorium on January 11, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

###  V. BOARD PRESIDENT’S ITEMS:

a. T. Joppie thanked B. Zitka for his service as Vice President of the board and congratulated him on his new Board Treasurer position.

###  VI. BOARD MEMBERS’ ITEMS:

1. C. Overla stated she would like a copy of the 3rd grade math and reading scores
2. J. Taylor inquired about bowling now being a school sport, Jim N. responded by saying it is not a recognized school sport but we are providing busses due to safety in transportation of the team.
3. B. Zitka thanked Beth Ryan for doing a great job @ Comstock Park with the bus driving.

B. Zitka also stated that he feels that a pre-Labor Day start will cause parent upset.

B. Zitka asked if there were any updates on a Red & Grey Night for winter sports, Jim N. stated he hadn’t been given an update as of yet.

d. J. Hallberg stated there will be a Chili Cook Off on February 9th at the Muskegon Innovation Hub at GVSU, cost is $10 ea. Or $25 per family. This event is to raise money for building materials and water filters for homes in El Salvador and Honduras. 3 OVHS Interact students will be going to assist with the building. See Jackie for information and tickets.

J. Hallberg also reminded board that the MYWAY Wresting Tournament is scheduled for this Sunday, January 15, 2017 at the high school.

###  VII. ADJOURNMENT:

 Motion to adjourn:

 Motion: L. Johnson Support: J. Taylor Carried: 7-0

 Meeting adjourned @ 7:46 p.m. by President, T. Joppie

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