

Notes from the
March 24, 2010
BoE Meeting

Board Notes



Next Meetings

(All meetings listed below are *open to the public*, and held at the downtown District Library unless otherwise noted.)

April 14, 2010
7:00 p.m.

April 27, 2010
Study Session -
PEG Update
5:30 p.m. @ Balas

April 28, 2010
7:00 p.m.

May 12, 2010
7:00 p.m.

May 19, 2010
Study Session-
Climate
Assessment,
5:30 p.m. @ Balas

May 26, 2010
7:00 p.m.

June 9, 2010
7:00 p.m.

June 23, 2010
7:00 p.m.

Ann Arbor Public Schools Board of Education
Quick notes from the Board of Education meetings...

Board of Education

Key Actions from the March 24, 2010 Meeting

****Available for download in pdf from [www:http://a2schools.org/boe.home/boe_home](http://a2schools.org/boe.home/boe_home)**

Special Presentations...

Clague student, Leon Pescador, received the Michigan Council for Social Studies' Middle School Student of the Year award, presented by MEEMIC Insurance.

Public Commentary...

- David Coupland and students spoke about Skyline Robotics team and requested donations needed to attend the national championship tournament.
- Jennifer Wolf spoke against privatization
- Humberto Valencia spoke against privatization**
- Crystal Barnes spoke against privatization
- Richard Miller spoke against privatization
- DeAngelo Malcolm spoke against privatization
- William Mahew spoke against privatization
- Darrell Wilson spoke against privatization
- Jerry Brooks spoke against privatization
- Chai Montgomery spoke against privatization

The Board Approved...

Schools of Choice Resolution to allow limited participation in Schools of Choice for residents within the county, not currently residing in AAPS boundaries. Enrollment would be limited to 60 seats in both Kindergarten and First Grade at selected elementary schools, and 50 seats in Sixth Grade at any of the middle schools. The Application timeframe would be April 1-30. This information is also available on our website

http://a2schools.org/ins.home/ins.child_accounting/schools_of_choice

Cell Phone Tower Antenna Lease Additions – Expands the number of antennas on existing towers at Transportation, Skyline and Slauson.

First Briefing...

2nd Quarterly Financial Report – Nancy Hoover and Robert Allen presented the quarterly report and prior year comparable analysis

**Ann Arbor
Public Schools
Board of Education**

**Board Committee
Meetings**

All Meetings listed below are **open to the public** and held at Balas Administration Building unless otherwise noted.

Performance

March 31, 2010
4:00 p.m.

May 6, 2010
6:00 p.m.

June 10, 2010
6:00 p.m.

Planning

April 1, 2010
6:30 p.m.

May 4, 2010
6:30 p.m.

June 10, 2010
6:30 p.m.

Key Actions from March 24, 2010 Meeting, cont.

First Briefing...

Policy Updates – The board reviewed the following: 3060-Investments; 3080-Trust & Agency Funds; 3100-Budget Planning Process; 3190 – Budget Adherence and Adjustment; 3200-Capital Needs Fund; 3210-General Fund Balance; 3300-Efficiency Improvement; 3400-Facilities Long-Range Planning; 3700-Risk Management; 3710-Insurance; 3750-Maintenance; 3890-Credit Cards; 5110-Homeless Students; 7800-Parental Involvement; 5400-Safety, Injuries & Emergencies. These will be brought back April 14 for a second briefing and potential action.

Draft Budget Plan – Dr. Roberts, Robert Allen, Randy Trent, Lee Ann Dickinson-Kelley and Joyce Hunter presented the recommendations for budget reductions needed to address the \$20 million deficit for 2010-11. A special edition of the AAPSNews is being released today to outline the plan.

Association Reports...

****AAPAC** – Disability Awareness Workshops are being presented in many schools. This is the first year schools are able to use our own kit. The final workshop is at King Elementary, March 26. A free workshop on Assistive Technology will be offered for parents, staff and caregivers, March 31, 7-9 pm at WISD. The next meeting will be April 12, 7pm, room B329 at Skyline.

****PTOC** - Encouraged parents to become involved in their local PTO and advocate for stable school funding. The PTO Advocacy Committee will voice the concerns of AAPS School Parents on state level school financing issues.

AAAA - Principals are working hard to provide support and ease tensions during the difficult budget reduction process.

****AAEA** – Called for all citizens to become politically active in Lansing to fight for funding reform.

Board Committee Reports...

Planning – met 3/16 to review policies being briefed tonight, reviewed lease to add cell tower antennas. Began conversation on how to add language to reflect “college and career ready” in terms of student achievement. Next meeting is 4/1 at 6:30 pm – Balas.

Performance – met 3/11 to review the quarterly financial report and expiring policies. Reviewing Policy for enrolling students of non-resident employees with the new school of choice option. Next meeting will be 3/31 at 4pm to discuss policies and board member roles in communications and advocacy, as well as status of Clemente and Stone communications.