

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING**

AUGUST 31, 2011

MAIN OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

8135 S. WESTNEDGE, PORTAGE, MI

3:30 P.M.

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AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER

COMMENTS OR COMMUNICATIONS

1. BY CITIZENS

REQUIRED APPROVAL ITEMS

1. NEW HIRES
2. OTHER

CLOSED SESSION

PORTAGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS MISSION STATEMENT

Portage Public Schools will shape the future by empowering every student to contribute intelligently and ethically in an information rich, global society.

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Required Approval Items

1. New Hires

- a. Middle School Assistant Principal Appointment

(Enclosure #1)

Recommended Motion:

Motion offered by _____, seconded by _____, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Mr. Craig Medd to the position of North Middle School Assistant Principal, as presented.

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To: Ric Perry, Superintendent
From: Tom Zahrt, Director of Human Resources
Date: August 31, 2011
Re: New Middle School Assistant Principal Appointment

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Mr. Craig Medd to the position of North Middle School Assistant Principal, as presented.

BACKGROUND

With the resignation of our Assistant Principal at Portage North Middle School, a vacancy was created. The District underwent an internal search process to secure a replacement before arriving at the preferred individual.

The process included the screening of internal applicant's experience, leadership roles with the District and performance. The search team was unanimous in their recommendation of Craig Medd for this position. Craig's salary for this position would be \$74,007.00/year.

Craig's previous position was as a History/Social Studies Teacher. Craig has been employed with Portage Public Schools since 2005. While working as an educator within our school district, Craig has held various positions such as Coach/Team Leader. Craig holds a Masters in Educational Leadership Degree.

Craig's previous teaching experience with us, along with his progressive experience in leadership positions, makes him an ideal candidate for the position.

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Required Approval Items

1. New Hires

b. New Teacher Appointments

(Enclosure #2)

Recommended Motion:

Motion offered by _____, seconded by _____, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following new teachers: Mr. Nathan Dale and Mr. Jeff Dykehouse, as presented.

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To: Ric Perry, Superintendent
From: Tom Zahrt, Director of Human Resources
Date: August 31, 2011
Re: New Teacher Appointments

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following new teachers:

Nathan Dale – Northern High School – Nathan comes to Portage Public Schools from Van Buren Research and Development where he served as a Hall Monitor. Nathan served as a Mentor at Portage Public Schools in European History in 2007. Nathan earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History and Secondary Education from Western Michigan University.

Jeff Dykhouse – West Middle School – Jeff comes to Portage Public Schools from Fennville Middle School where he served an 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher. Jeff earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education from Western Michigan University.

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Closed Session

Recommended Motion:

Motion offered by _____, seconded by _____, that the Board of Education move into closed session for the purpose of discussing periodic personnel evaluations and collective bargaining strategy [Sections 8 (a) and 8 (c) of the Open Meetings Act]. [Roll Call Vote]