

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING**

September 2, 2010

The special meeting of the Board of Education of Portage Public Schools held on Thursday, September 2, 2010, was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by President Hollenbeck in the Community Room of the Administration Building, 8111 S. Westnedge.

Board Trustees Present: Kevin Hollenbeck, Geoff Howe, Rusty Rathburn, Bo Snyder, Randy Van Antwerp, and Joanne Willson

Board Trustees Absent: Melanie Kurdys

CLOSED SESSION

Motion offered by Mr. Rathburn, seconded by Mr. Howe, that the Board of Education move into closed session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining strategy [Section 8 (c) of the Open Meetings Act]. Upon a roll call vote, all Trustees present voted in favor of the motion.

The Board moved into closed session at 5:02p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 5:34 p.m.

ACTION ITEM

Motion offered by Mr. Rathburn, seconded by Mr. Van Antwerp, that the Board of Education ratify the 2010/11 Contract with the Portage Education Association, as presented.

Upon a roll call vote, all Trustees present voted in favor of the motion.

Superintendent Wells provided brief updates regarding administrative follow up to a 12th Street citizen concerns, summer enrollment in grades K-12 and the Curious Kids program, bond projects and the Western Michigan University Chinese cultural studies partnership. President Hollenbeck summarized changes being considered in relation to several of standing and ad hoc board committees that will be discussed at the next board work session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Wells
Secretary Pro Tem