

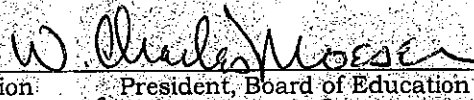


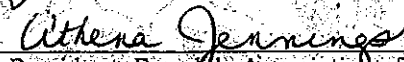
# FERNDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS TOGETHER

## Joint Resolution Supporting the Michigan School Aid Fund Remaining Dedicated to K-12 Education

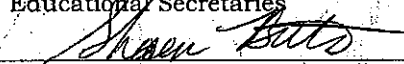
- Whereas, In February 2011, Michigan Governor Rick Snyder announced his budget proposal for the state which included an unprecedented shift of \$900-million in school-aid resources away from K-12 education being funded by the School Aid Fund to community colleges and universities to partially offset the elimination of the Michigan Business Tax; and
- Whereas, the Ferndale Schools Board of Education, Ferndale Education Association (FEA), Ferndale Association of Educational Secretaries (FAES), Association of Ferndale Schools Administrators (AFSA), the Ferndale Local 160 of (AFSCME), and the Ferndale Local 889 of (UAW) jointly support the need for public schools in Michigan to receive adequate funding to ensure each child receives quality instruction in a full-service school district; and
- Whereas, The Governor's proposed raid on the School Aid Fund is contrary to the legislation agreed to by Michigan voters who approved Proposal A in 1994; and
- Whereas, Any shift of funding away from the healthy School Aid Fund is unacceptable and violates the original intent of the law; and
- Whereas, The Ferndale Schools have dedicated the past decade to successfully restructuring, diversifying programming, establishing cooperative agreements with other organizations, and remaining financially sound; and
- Now Therefore be it Resolved, that the Ferndale Schools Board of Education, FEA, FAES, AFSA, AFSCME and UAW do jointly agree that the focus of any challenge to school funding must be directly on the proposed raid on the School Aid Fund, not on any distractions such as local level cuts, layoffs, or program elimination. The true focus must remain on the collective belief of all of us in the Ferndale Schools educational community that the spirit of Proposal A must not continue to be violated; and
- Now Therefore be it Resolved, that the Ferndale Schools Board of Education, FEA, FAES, AFSA, AFSCME and UAW do jointly seek the support of local community and civic leaders and appropriate members of the Michigan Legislature in encouraging Governor Rick Snyder to preserve the School Aid Fund in the spirit of the law as it was approved by Michigan's voters in 1994 under Proposal A; and
- Now Therefore be it Finally Resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Rick Snyder, the members of the Michigan legislature, local public officials, and State Superintendent Michael Flanagan.


  
 President, Ferndale Education Association

  
 President, Board of Education

  
 President, Ferndale Association of Educational Secretaries

  
 Secretary, Board of Education

  
 President, Association of Ferndale Schools Administrators

  
 President, Ferndale Local 160, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

  
 President, Ferndale Local 889 UAW

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