Residents speak out on school cheif qualifications ties cited in the report include: a poet-live attitude toward team manage-ment, strong financial skills, an ability to practice an "open deer policy and be a good listener," experience in motivat-administration, experience in motivat-ing a well-established staff, a positive attitude about "in house" centract-ness and the staff of the work with administrative groups.

The new superintendent in the Clarenceville School District should be positive-minded, have strong financial and communication skills, be supportive of the staff in situations involving children and abould have "backbone." In abort, the new superintendent should be a lot of things to a lot of people.

And by the way, four people said the superintendent abould be a man. Those were just a few of the viewpoints culled from a two-day open house beld two weeks ago in the Clarenceville district, which includes parts of Livonia, Farmington Hills and Reddord Township. The purpose of the sessions was to document just what kind of characteristics residents of the district would like to see in the top administrative post once David

McDoweil retires this year.

The sessions, held Jan. 10-11, were conducted by Carl Brautigam, a consultant from the Michigan Association of School Boards.

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It was Brautigam's job to record the comments from primarily residents and district employees and administrators. Confidentiality was given to the participants, Brautigam sold. His report will now be considered by the school board in its dection-making process over a new superintendent.

IN ALL about 30 people turned out. Brautigam said the majority of the respondents appeared to be parents and "longtime residents of the commu-

and response in a district that's been fairly caim and basn't had a lot of faror," Brautigam said of the

gether."

BUT while others called for a familiarity with the district, it was a toss up among 10 people on a related question. Five people said the new superintendent at hould be 'an outsider' while five said otherwise. According to Braullgam, the school board is not asking for residency as a requirement in accepting applications, however.

Of ar, Braullgam said his perception from commonity and board comment of the state of the service of the service

"The person should be able to work in the Clarenceville community — a small community in a metropolitan

complex. Clarenceville does not like to be known as Livonia — part of that huge system," he said.

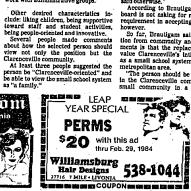
Last Thursday Brautigam met with the school board to begin working out set criteria to be used in rating the candidates. It's his guess that the board will receive about 50 applications. The board will receive about 50 applications. The board will screen those before deciding which to interview in person, he said.

He said the screening should begin about March 10 with the interviews heep inning about March 16. In addition, Brautigam will host a March-14 work shop for the board to teach them interviewing skills. "Hopefully, they'll end up with 6-10 (candidates) that they're really interested in interviewing." Brautigam said. Those interviews must be done at a public meeting.

If the board moves swiftly, the consultant said a replacement could be named in April.



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Cable group meets to discuss charges

The Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission will review cable consultant Harold Horn's study determining whether the MetroVision cable TV firm has lived up to ordinance requirements in building the tri-city cable franchise system at 7:30 pm.Tuceday at the Farmington City Hall. Horn's compliance study was requested by the six-member commission in response, to a dispute between MetroVision and residents in less-densely populated neighborhoods who were told they could not receive cable TV unless they paid a \$200.3800 installation fee.

The dispute, made public by angry residents in Farmington Hills Power and 11 Mile neighborhood in early October, concerns who will pay for the installation of cable and whether some residents in the less-populated neighborhoods of the tri-city franchise area will get cable at all.

Under MetroVision's 'line exten-Under MetroVision's "line exten-sion" policy, customers may be charged for cable installation in areas which have fewer than 30 houses in a linear mile. linear mile.

Residents in populated areas have received cable installation free.

Walled Lake revises district budget

last week revised its operating budget to include an additional \$1.4 million for

to include an acottomat \$1.4 million for teacher salaries.

The new budget reflects about \$3.4 million in new tax revenue generated by the five-mill tax locrease approved by voters last December, But \$2.1 million of this new money will be carried over for future years, said Russell Wright, assistant superintendent for bustness.

over for future years, sald Russell Wright, assistant superintendent for business.

We're still on a very tight budget, he told the board, cautioning that his five-year plan depends on carryover funds each year.

The board unanimously approved wright's revised spending plan for the 1983-04 school year.

The most significant change from the original budget, approved last June, occurred under instructional expenses. Wright noted. In addition to returning \$1.4 million for teacher salaries, the new budget includes \$150,000 in teacher benefits, which covers some early retirements and unemployment expenses for the teachers laid off last November. The budget also includes funds for two additional elementary teachers because of increased enrollment.

THE NEW BUDGET adds \$42,000 THE NEW BUDGET adds \$42,000 under elementary supplies for purchase of science textbooks for kindergarten through grade four. Science books for lifth and sixth graders had been budgeted prior to the revision. All these books have been ordered, Wright

An extra \$115,000 for legal fees was added because the district is involved

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OTHER BUDGET changes include:

Purchase of junior and senior high
textbook. The purchase includes both
junior and senior high mathematics
books, cesting about \$20,000. Money for
these books was allocated in the original 1983-84 budget, but approval of the
purchase was twice delayed by the
board because of the district's precartous financial condition.

• More money for maintenance,
supply and capital outlay expenditures.
These items also were considered 'on
hold' until the tax-increase was approved.

"(Maintenance Director Nelson
O'Shaughnessy) has traditionally not
spent a large part of his maintenance
budget in case some disaster happened
at the end of the year," Wright noted.

THE BOARD has received a "budget."

THE BOARD has received a "budget building timetable" for planning the 1984-65 school budget. Building administrators and pro-gram directors received budget guide-lines last week. Textbook requests for 1994-85 will be submitted by Feb. 13. A compiled budget is capeted to be ready for committee review by March 9.

The budget will be presented to Su-perintendent Don Sheldon on March 28 and to the school board April 9. The board is scheduled to adopt the 1984-85 budget June 11.



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