How Candidates split on supporting millage

"I accept the millage on faith this time." he said. "I am confident that the bard and the administration have worked it out for the best. In the future I would want to study any budget proposed before I approve it, or accept a new millage."

Anything that could be cut without hurting the education of the child would have to go if the millage should fail, he said. He said that the teaching and services staffs should be maintained, however.

T. RODEWIG, a one-year

term candidate said. "I am in favor of the millage. We have a history of conservative spending in this district.

"I think the budget is responsible and represents the best interests of the administrators and the teachers. I do think, however, that every budget deserves to be carefully considered."

Mrs. Rodewig said she would not like to see any further cuts in building maintenance; if the millage should fail. "It would be too bad if we had to cut out courses." she said. "but we just may have to do it."

the candidates night said. "It is a question of basic philosophy. It is a question of what is needed and what is not needed. My view, of what is necessary differs with that of the board.

"The millage is an increase of four mills no matter how they scramble it around and make it look like less. Their explanation is a case of con-fusion compounded by dillusion."

Rev. Hugh V. Stewart, a current board member presented the board's stand on the issue before the candi-dates were questioned.

The four additional mills which the Farmington school board is asking woters to approve in the June 10 election will not only enable the district to meet its responsibilities but will also afford it a chance to do more educationally. Rev. Stewart said.

We decided long ago that due to rising costs we would need three mills merely to break even. However, we do not feel that it would be a responsible decision to just stay even.

"We want to do more with the per-sonnel and programs as well as meet our respinsibilities in building and maintenance and repair."

Rev. IS war explained that the additional four mills for operational costs, would only result in an actual 1,5 mills increase for the taxpayers in the Farmington and Farmington Hills district.

These voters are already paying 1.4 These voters are already paying 1.4 mills as part of their package through the county board of allocation. The Board has decided that they would rather give the taxpayers the opportunity to vote on the 1.4 mills rather

than going through the allocation board.

This decision will lower the allo-cated tax from 9.53 to 8.13, which leaves a 2.6 differential.

At the Tuesday night board of edu-cation meeting the Board voted to re-duce the debt levy tax from six to five mills, which helps to further offset the difference.

The combination of these two changes reduces the actual increase in mills to 1.6 for the Farmington and Farmington Hills taxpayers, Stewart cold

The residents of West Bloomfield are the ones who will have to make the biggest adjustment, he said. Since

hey were paying lower allocational and operational taxes last year their actual increase would be three mills,

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"We are asking for the four mills
but the actual increase is only 1.6 for
he Farmington and Farmington Hills
people. Rev. Stewart said. "The West
Bloomfield people will have to make a
bigger adjustment. West Bloomfield,
we are asking you to really get behind
the district and support the three mill
increase."

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Marian Spencer, a teacher, said.

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We are not asking for pie in the sky;

We are asking just for what we need.

"We can do a good job, lw chave been doing a good job and we will continue to do a good job. All we ask is that we be given the right amount of students per class and the right naternals."



EMU Queen

Kathy Hardin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Hardin of 34212 M. Wick, Farmington Hills, represented Eastern Michigan University at the Mid-American Conference Queen Competition at Kent State University recently.

Record pickers

Susan Malinowski (left) and Lauren Jonas were out behind Highmeadow Elementary making dandelion crowns when Lauren got the idea to attempt a dandelion-picking record. After

piling up 8,477 of the yellow flowers in the family garage, they discovered the Guiness Book of Records listed no such record. Which means they set one, doesn't it? (Photo by Fran Evert)

Oakland U. to establish 4-year nursing program

ROCHESTER - Oakland University (O.U.) will establish the first four-year nursing school in Oakland and Macomb counties next year. The O.U. Board of Trustees May 22 approved establishment of a faculty and a B.S. degree program in nursing

For the last two years, O.U. has been redirecting its emphasis on the liberal art curriculum to more eareer-orientated programs. In a move to offer more health related courses, O.U. and Providence Hospital in Southfield combined resources last

year to offer a four-year baccalau-reate nursing program. Officials were anticipating the establishment of the nursing school at O.U. O.U. has already enrolled 300 stu-dents in the program, said James Lle-wellyn, a university spokesma. The university expects to hire a dean and a couple of part-time faculty members for the school next year. Lewellyn said, More faculty will not be needed next year because some cowrses in the program are currently

oe needed next year because some courses in the program are currently being offered. Llewellyn said the university will probably add seven full-time faculty

members in the fall of 1975. The esti-mated cost of the program is \$450,000. Nursing students will be able to do clinical work in Oakland County hoscinical work in Oakland County hos-pitals. Providences. Beaumont. Orit-tenton. St. Joseph's hospitals and the Oakland County Medical center said they will be able to take the students. In other business, the trustees: *Approved a B.S. degree program in biological sciences and a master's degree program in biology. *Approved a B.A. degree program in classical civilization and *Approved a master's degree pro-gram in area studies.



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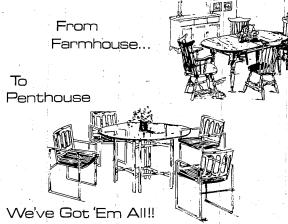
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