

Mrs. Ford sweeps into Oakland County

By PATRICIA HINSBERG

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS OF JUNE 30, 1976

CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OAKLAND AND WAYNE COUNTIES

BALANCE SHEETS

JUNE 30, 1976 AND 1975

	JUNE 30, 1976			JUNE 30, 1975		
	General Fund	Building and Site Fund	Debt Retirement Fund	General Fund	Building and Site Fund	Debt Retirement Fund
ASSETS						
Accrue Cash Funds	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ -
Cash in Bank	159,624	80,439	160,271	798,367	2,589	175,024
Investment Securities	1,043,000	-	-	403,927	108,000	-
Accounts Receivable	8,747	-	-	52,048	-	-
Accounts Receivable-Federal	13,308	-	-	16,349	-	-
Taxes Receivable	166,790	-	34,684	177,773	-	37,608
Inventories	80,992	-	-	81,910	-	-
Due from Other Funds	305	-	-	1,203	-	936
Prepaid Expenditures	2,170	-	6,469	2,593	-	-
Accrued Interest Receivable	7,850	114	579	9,209	-	200
Total Assets	\$1,540,696	\$80,553	\$202,000	\$1,543,879	\$108,589	\$211,768
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE						
Current and Short-term Loans	\$ 725,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700,000	\$ -	\$ -
Accr. and Encumbrances Payable	25,075	-	-	20,733	6,764	-
Salaries Payable	374,985	-	-	339,345	-	-
Salary Withholding Payable	386	-	-	51,267	-	-
State of Michigan School Bond Loan Program	-	-	128,332	-	-	189,100
Accrued Expenses	33,335	-	-	40,563	-	42,406
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	936	-	1,203
Deferred Revenues	4,293	-	-	10,850	-	-
Reserve for Obligations-Federal	5,904	-	-	10,571	-	-
Deposits Payable	11,295	-	-	4,060	-	-
Total Liabilities	\$1,180,263	-	\$128,332	\$1,127,660	\$ 6,764	\$232,209
FUND EQUITY						
Fund Equity June 30, 1976-75	360,433	80,553	73,671	416,219	101,825	(20,941)
Total Liabilities-Fund Equity	\$1,540,696	\$80,553	\$202,000	\$1,543,879	\$108,589	\$211,768

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STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1976 AND 1975

	JUNE 30, 1976			JUNE 30, 1975		
	General Fund	Building and Site Fund	Debt Retirement Fund	General Fund	Building and Site Fund	Debt Retirement Fund
REVENUE						
Property Tax Levy	\$2,882,754	\$591,129	\$2,403,154	\$2,882,754	\$591,129	\$2,403,154
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	8,070	1,695	4,759	8,070	1,695	4,759
Taxes other than Property	7,814	-	7,766	7,814	-	7,766
Tuition	3,271	-	1,370	3,271	-	1,370
Interest on Investments	45,694	5,512	12,866	45,694	5,512	12,866
Miscellaneous	30,454	-	95,436	30,454	-	95,436
State School Aid	1,450,237	-	1,438,402	1,450,237	-	1,438,402
Driver Education	8,340	-	7,950	8,340	-	7,950
Vocational Education	6,405	-	11,031	6,405	-	11,031
Federal Programs	220,604	-	116,148	220,604	-	116,148
Cafeteria	175,192	-	159,585	175,192	-	159,585
Revenue from other Districts	10,831	-	12,362	10,831	-	12,362
City Special Education Tax	84,587	-	64,007	84,587	-	64,007
Total Revenue	\$6,894,656	\$ 5,313	\$605,480	\$6,600,620	\$ 14,106	\$570,673
EXPENDITURES						
Instruction	\$3,333,540	\$ -	\$ -	\$3,100,811	\$ -	\$ -
Administration	208,851	-	-	189,180	-	-
Attendance	22,200	-	-	21,612	-	-
Health Service	1,411	-	-	2,402	-	-
Pupil Transportation	151,804	-	-	132,602	-	-
Operation of Plant	525,184	-	-	493,579	-	-
Maintenance of Plant	139,593	-	-	132,036	-	-
Fees/Charges	274,000	-	-	274,000	-	-
Capital Outlay	15,958	-	-	21,554	-	-
Cafeteria	177,856	-	-	155,653	-	-
Miscellaneous	24,484	-	2,546	77,390	-	3,798
Site Acquisition/Improvement	-	(2,236)	-	-	(7,058)	-
New Buildings and Additions	-	23,020	-	-	52,569	-
Remodeling and Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture and Equipment	-	-	275,000	-	-	275,000
Bond Principal	-	-	233,532	-	-	253,809
Bond Interest	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$6,900,647	\$26,284	\$111,078	\$6,611,225	\$ 57,659	\$532,602
Excess of Revenue over Expend.	(5,786)	(21,272)	94,612	(10,405)	(43,483)	38,066
Fund Equity July 1, 1975-76	360,433	80,553	73,671	416,219	101,825	(20,941)
Fund Equity June 30, 1976-75	\$ 360,433	\$ 80,553	\$ 73,671	\$ 366,219	\$ 101,825	\$ (20,941)

PHYSICAL ASSETS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

JUNE 30, 1976

	June 30, 1976	June 30, 1975
State Equalized Valuation	84,277,545	78,922,435
Value of Sites	1,120,916	1,000,000
Value of Buildings and Contents	18,002,797	18,000,000
Number of Buildings	8	8
Number of Classrooms	182	182
Number of Resident Pupils	3,209	3,305
Number of Full Time Teachers	161	166
Number of Non-Resident Pupils	9	8
Number of Fulltime Pupils	3,218	3,313
Number of Fulltime Teachers	163	166
Teacher Salary	9,775.32	9,222
Minimum MA	19,325.92	18,232
Pupil-Teacher Ratio	20-1	20-1
Total Classroom Teacher Salaries	2,728,550	2,550,195
Total Operating Taxes Levied	33.90	33.00

By State law, Clarenceville's books, like all school districts in the State, must be audited annually by an independent audit firm. The 1975-76 Annual Audit is available for the reader's approval at the Clarenceville Board of Education Office, 28310 West Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan, from 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday.

Among other things, the reader will note as he/she reads the general fund account, the following:

- Despite decreased enrollment and a corresponding decrease in staff the cost of educating the youth of the Community continues to rise.
- The major burden of financing the school continues to rest with the local tax payer.
- Total expenditures exceeded revenue by \$10,405 for the 1975-76 fiscal year leaving a fund equity of \$366,219 to begin the 1976-77 fiscal year.
- The expenditures exceeded revenue by \$5,786 for the 1975-76 fiscal year. This left the District with a fund equity of \$360,433 as it started the 1976-77 year on July 1, 1976.
- Note: Fund Equity consists of cash on hand, inventory, accounts receivable and delinquent taxes.
- Increase in Federal Funding is due primarily to a one year funding under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (C.E.T.A.).

The Building and Site Fund Account, which is limited in use to building renovation and improvement, was expended in the amount of \$29,020. This was used for updating heating equipment at Botsford School. The dwindling balance to this account is \$80,553.

Activity in the Debt Retirement Account shows that for the past two years the District has reduced the bonded indebtedness by \$275,000 each year.

The general financial status of the School District at the end of the 1975-76 school year was good. However, the reader should be aware that the Board of Education found it necessary to levy all of the mills available for operation (13.9) and will have a slight budget deficit. A brief look into the future...

The District is in sound financial position as it begins the 1976-77 fiscal year. However, inflation, salary settlements and lack of funding will find the District in a much less favorable position on June 30, 1977. It is estimated that the expenditures will exceed revenue by \$223,000. Should this estimate hold true the fund equity beginning July 1, 1977 would be about \$109,000.

Significant reductions took place in staff and other areas to hold cost down for the current year.

In order to balance the budget without using fund equity would mean curtailing many educational programs.

Beginning with the 1977-78 fiscal year the District must have increased revenue or reduce programs in order to balance the budget.

The Board of Education will be asking the voters to return five (5) mills that expire with this year's levy. It may be necessary for the Board to ask the voters for additional operating mills.

This is a brief summary plus supporting data of the Clarenceville School District's financial picture. Should it prompt questions, we invite you to review the audit and if you desire I will be available to discuss any questions you might have concerning the operation of the District.

David B. McDowell, Superintendent

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ATMOSPHERE ON A BUDGET

Budget Specials

Every **MONDAY**
SR. CITIZENS DAY 11:15-8:30

BEEF CHOPPET \$1.39
VEAL CUTLET \$1.39
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