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Plan sets clock for late Wednesday starts

BY LARRY O'CONNOR

Harrison High atudents will have a few more hours of sleep while teachers devise new ways to wake their minds. Instead of 7:45 a.m., classes will

start at 9.53 a.m. on one Wednes-dhy la month, starting Jan. 4. Other dates for the later bell are: Fpb. 8, March 8, April 5 and May

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The restructuring was approved by the Farmington Board of Edu-cation at its Doc. 20 meeting. Staff members will use the ad-

ditional 10 hours to collaborate, said principal Rande Horn.
Topics for discussion could include such things as developing critical thinking skills, Harrison's Horn anid. First hour with North Central Accreditation process and improving teaching techniques.

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"It's an opportunity to question
and to deliberate with each other
on these issues." Horn said, "and
share with each other."

Teachers are often isolated
from each other, Horn said. That
makes it difficult for them to hear
from other colleagues about new

The schodule will be adjusted to make up for instructional time lost because of the later start, Horn said. First hour will ntart five minutes earlier at 7:40 a.m.

The restructuring is similar to a program at North Farmington High, which uses a zero hour. Harrison also added a zero hour 6:45-7:35 a.m. this fall.

The pilot program will be re-evaluated after the winter semes-ter, Horn said.

ymca Highlights

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classes

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Bond

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Feb. 4 bond issue. The board had to reserve an election spot with the state no later than today to put another question to voters during the 1934-95 school year.

During and after the two-hour meeting, realdednts such as Mitchele Patiler urged the broad to wait on the third \$100 million-pius bond issue since October 1939 until it could take a longer, harder look at how much money needed to be spent such as the compounded to be spent and during her comments to the board. "You cut \$10 million before, do it again."

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According to resident Paul Stobbe, bond issue money would be well-spent if it assured future graduates a chance to compete in the global job market.

"It hink the way people measure actool districts is on the MEAP tests, and not whether we have a pool or a bigger gym.," Stobbe said, referring to components of Part 2 of the February apilt ballot.

Tuesday's meeting also included a strong show of support from

Tuesday's meeting also includ-ed a strong show of support from members of the PTA, Walled Lake's business community and Citizens for Walled Lake Schools, the latter unveiling results of a random telephone survey (of 378 citizens) designed to gauge public opinion about holding yet another special election.

special election.

Most telling were the following survey results: 88 percent felt there was a "somewhat critical" roof or "very critical" need for new schools and school improvements: 81 percent would vote in favor of any proposition that would take care of space needs; 72 percent of those who didn's vote in the Sept. 27 election or who voted ne concurred they would vote for basic needs (space, technology).

Committee chairwoman Ran-

dee Bloom said results of the survey — coupled with the fact that 4,823 realdents signed a petition indicating they would support another bond issue — indicate "yes, there is very, very strong community support" for another attempt.

Another member of the committee, Mike Woods, said a bond issue is the best way to tackle problems facing the district. "We feel the community, overall, needs to get behind the school system because it? at the backbone of the community."

Several representatives for Walled Lake businesses also spoke in favor of a bond insue—Fortroft. Subdivision builder. Dennis Park, Tim Lynch (Lynch & Sons Funeral Home) and Bill Winkler, said businesses need to support the cause, as long as they have "meaningful input as to how the money is spent... I think it's importative."

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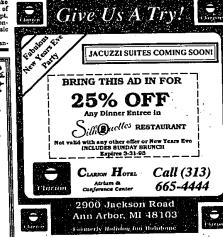




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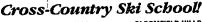


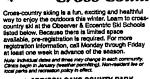


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