Schools study proposal to cut computor lease

By ROSE WEBER

BIRMINGHAM — A recommendation to terminate the school district's computer lease in favor of using the Oakland County school's data processing equipment was presented to the board of education at Tuesday night's open study session.

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Dr. Vern Oxender, deputy superintendent of integrating the services, said the district could save up to \$10,000 depending on the amount of state aid reimbursement and usage.

He also pointed out that additional programs such as testing could be obtained at no extra cost.

Questioned by Mrs. Janet Johnson, tobard secretary, as to hookers in the deal, he admitted "we might not have everything exactly the way. we want it."

"The present attendance system will have to change. And we will be using different report card forms," Oxender said.

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Teacher transfer into the school will be encouraged to obtain 100 percent staff support.

Mrs. Janet Johnson called the concept exciting but expressed concern with teachers having the option of transferring but no equal student choice.

"Parents may resent this and it could cause a problem," she said.

The board expressed a preference for a city wide program and asked to be kept advised of program

ress.
There is a possibility of 100 percent funding for the pre-school clinic. The clinic which wil serve 40 children with a multiplicity of physical and mental problems may qualify for funding from Oakland County.

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Nesbitt said that it would be a county program under our direction. Tom Buran, director of pupil personnel and guidance, said that if selected by the county the program could begin in the fail.

"I have a very qualified teacher in mind who has just moved into the district and is available," he same and the surface of the substitute teacher budget be placed on the agenda for future consideration.

"The secondary school budget for substitutes went \$25,000 lest year. The contract committee has produced facts and figures but no results and the problem is getting larger," she said.

Dr. Peckenpaugh, superintendent of schools, asked that discussion be postponed until Dr. James Liddle director of personnel could be present.

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Mrs. Hartwig reminded the board that committments to implement the Bingham Farms Environmental Center had not been

honored. "We voted in 1971 for implemen-

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"We voted in 1971 for implementation and are already, making other commitments without honoring previous ones," she said.

The board reluctantly approved a request from Dr. Peckenpaugh for funds to remodel Groves High School for implementation of a nursing arts program.

The board had vetoed adding additional programs following defeat of a millage request for that purpose. "I am uncomfortable with this decision. I feel like I have been duped," Mrs. Johnson said.

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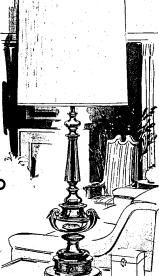
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