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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Awards and Recognitions
2011-2012 Michigan Teacher of the Year and State-Level Finalists

This month, Mrs. Matinga Ragatz will complete her year as the 2010-2011 Michigan Teacher of the Year. She will continue in her teaching position with Grand Ledge Public Schools in the fall of 2011.

Mrs. Ragatz has provided exemplary service as a representative of the excellent teachers in Michigan. She has supported the State Board of Education priorities through her activities and has made all of us very proud.

The 2011-2012 Michigan Teacher of the Year, Paul R. Galbenski of Oakland Schools Technical Campus Southeast, will be introduced. The two state-level finalists will also be introduced. The state-level finalists are:

- Mr. Jerald L. Czarnecki, Mathematics Teacher, Kelloggsville High School
- Mrs. Melody Perrin, Special Education Teacher, Keith Bovenschen School, Macomb ISD

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