

INTRODUCTION

This packet of materials is our Committee's attempt to put into a recognizable and orderly form, some of the information which prompted us to seek outside assistance.

We have attempted to take each of the charges outlined in our letter to you and provide some additional background or facts. Further probing may be necessary to gather all the pertinent information.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ernest Wilson", written over a horizontal line.

Ernest Wilson, Chairman,
Equal Opportunity in Education Committee

DATA SHEET

District Name Ferndale County Oakland

District Superintendent John Houghton

Equal Educational Opportunity Representative, or Robert Christiana - Ass't Sup

City Human Rights Representative _____

Civil Rights Commission Representative _____

Representative Contacted _____ Title _____

School Board Members

Occupation

<u>School Board Members</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
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I. General Background

A. Total Population 31,342 White 31,203 Negro 106 Other 38

B. Economic Characteristics

1. Industry within district _____
2. Predominant occupational characteristics (racial census classification)

C. Geographic Characteristics (on map if possible)

1. Size of district
2. Boundaries
3. Political subdivision(s) located within district
4. Location of schools and attendance boundaries

E. Fiscal Data (1966-67)

1. Revenue/pupil

a. local sources	<u>345,42</u>
b. intermediate district	<u>—</u>
c. Direct state aid	<u>262,68</u>
d. redirected federal	<u>28,93</u>
e. direct federal	<u>12,21</u>
f. gifts and bequests	<u>1,01</u>
total	<u>649,25</u>

2. Average teacher salary 8,425

3.. SEV/resident member 12,337

4. Total millage rate 30.58

F. Sources and amounts of federal aid (1967-68)

1. Program TITLE I 168,247

2. Status of Pending applications TITLE I - 156,382

G. General Evaluation of Facilities (conditions of buildings, capacity, etc.)

Construction planned

III. Names of Interested People or Groups and Positions, i.e.

- A. NAACP
- B. Urban League
- C. Citizens Committees - *Parents Commi.tee From Grant School Area*
- D. Newspaper and Radio, TV, staff
- E. Civil Organizations, i.e., Kiwanis, Rotary, etc.

IV. Teacher Contracts

- A. Section on hiring practices _____
- B. Location of Teachers _____
- C. Other Pertinent Data _____

V. Brief description of pertinent board actions (i.e., elections, desegregation resolutions, millages, etc.)

VI. Other pertinent data

CODE	SET	NAME OF SCHCCL	NAME OF SCHOOL SYSTEM										OE NO				
630201222	2414	FERNDALE HIGH	FERNDALE										3214280				
GRADE		CRT	IT	WHTT	NEGT	OTT	TCTT	WHTP	NEGP	OTP	TOTP	WHTOP	NEGOP	OTOP	TOTOP		
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CODE	SET	NAME OF SCHCCL	NAME OF SCHOOL SYSTEM										OE NO				
630201392	2413	GEORGE WASHINGTON	FERNDALE										3214280				
GRADE		CRT	IT	WHTT	NEGT	OTT	TCTT	WHTP	NEGP	OTP	TOTP	WHTOP	NEGOP	OTOP	TOTOP		
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630201568	2418	WARREN G HARDING	FERNDALE										3214280				
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630202204	2412	LINCOLN JUNIOR HIGH	FERNDALE										3214280				
GRADE		CRT	IT	WHTT	NEGT	OTT	TCTT	WHTP	NEGP	OTP	TOTP	WHTOP	NEGOP	OTOP	TOTOP		
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NEWS LETTER--PARENTS OF GRANT, LINCOLN & FERNDALE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Dear Parents:

In a meeting held in Grant school with Mr. John Houghton, Superintendent of Ferndale School District and Mr. Christiana, Assistant Superintendent of Education in Ferndale School District about the deplorable and segregated conditions of Grant, Lincoln and Ferndale Schools, it was stated by Mr. Houghton and Mr. Christiana that the students who attend these schools were too poor to learn, that they were too hungry to learn, that their social background and general economic standards were not up to par. These forementioned reasons were given to the parents in this meeting as the answers to current problems, now existing in the Negro attended schools of Ferndale District.

The administrators felt that they should not expend money in a lost cause. But some of these lost causes, in fact, is that the students of Grant School by more than 70%, are behind in grade level, for example 6th grade students are on the level of 3rd and 4th Grade pupils. A request has been made to meet again with Mr. Houghton and Mr. Christiana on Wednesday February 7 at 10 A.M. at Grant School. We are urging that every parent come out to tell these people that we are not too poor to learn and give us the same kind of educational material that they give in Coolidge and other Elementary Schools, and put the students that are in Lincoln and Ferndale Schools up to the proper grade levels and not segregate them into a classroom of their own.

REMEMBER WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 7, 1968 at 10 AM...AT GRANT SCHOOL!!

COMMITTEE ON EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN EDUCATION

GRANT-LINCOLN-FERNDALE PARENTS' MEETING AT GRANT SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 14, 1968

10:00 A. M.

PLEASE DO NOT COME IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD ARE SATISFIED WITH THE CLASSIFICATION THAT THE SCHOOL OFFICIALS OF THE FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT HAVE PLACED THE NEGRO STUDENTS. THEY SAY:

1. THAT THE ECONOMIC STANDARDS ARE NOT UP TO PAR (TOO POOR TO LEARN)
2. THAT YOU AS A PARENT CREATE A BAD IMAGE FOR YOUR CHILDREN
3. THAT YOUR CHILDREN ARE SEGREGATED IN THE CLASSROOM AT LINCOLN
4. THAT YOU ARE A ONE PARENT FAMILY AND YOU HAVE LITTLE CONCERN
5. THAT YOU ARE ON THE WELFARE, AND YOU DO NOT CARE ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN
6. THAT YOU HAVE A LIMITED SOCIAL BACKGROUND

REMEMBER, THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING FOR ALL PARENTS WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN, AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOMETHING DONE ABOUT THE ABOVE LISTED CONDITIONS THAT EXIST IN OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT. P L E A S E A T T E N D !

COMMITTEE ON EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN EDUCATION

ATTENTION

PARENTS OF GRANT SCHOOL STUDENTS

BEWARE

THE FERRIDALE BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS SET A TRAP FOR YOU ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19TH AT FERRIDALE HIGH SCHOOL.

THEY PLAN TO CREATE A COMMITTEE THAT WILL LEAVE YOU WITHOUT VOICE IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF GRANT SCHOOL.

A COMPLAINT HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION.

IF GRANT PARENTS ATTEND THE MEETING ON JUNE 19 TH, THE CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION WILL NOT HAVE TIME TO WORK.

WE ASK YOU NOT TO ATTEND THE MEETING— IF YOU DO, THE WHITE PARENTS FROM OTHER SCHOOLS WILL RULE GRANT SCHOOL, NO NEGROES WILL HAVE JOBS IN THE FEDERAL ASSISTANT PROGRAM.

DO NOT ATTEND THE
MEETING AT FERRIDALE
HIGH SCHOOL ON JUNE
19, 1968

BOYCOTT
June 19, Meeting!!!

COMMITTEE TO SAVE OUR RIGHTS