

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETINGS

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| <u>Regular</u> | <u>District Office</u> | <u>January 16 2012, 7:00 P.M.</u> |
| Kind of Meeting | Place | Time and Date |
| MEMBERS | | |
| <u>Present</u> | | <u>Absent</u> |
| Jack Caldwell | | |
| Presiding Officer | | |
| Eric Long | | |
| Dave Knox | | |
| Sandy Walden | | |
| Matt Seman | | |
| Teresa Benner | | |
| David Root | | |
| Superintendent of Schools | | |
| Doug Furlow | | |
| Carolyn Assalley ,Janis Lindsey | | Russ Galusha, Clay Shoufler |
| Building Principals | | |
| Scott Stuewe | | |
| Board of Education Secretary | | |

The meeting was called to order by President Caldwell. Roll call was taken by the recording secretary.

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Eric Long and seconded by Matt Seman that the agenda be approved as amended. Item f was removed from the Consent Agenda as there were no resignations to approve.

Discussion: None

Motion carried.

Recognition of Employees and Public: Byron Painter, of the *Williamsville Sun Times*

Approval of Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Matt Seman and seconded by Teresa Benner to approve the Consent Agenda containing items a, b, c, d, and e , namely, approval of the following minutes as written and distributed, Levy Hearing Minutes of December 19, 2011, Regular Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2011, Approval of the Bills in the amount of \$466,616.14 including reimbursement of the revolving fund in the amount of \$2,995.34, Approval of the Treasurer's Report, and Approval of the Lunch Report

Discussion: None

On roll call the following members answered aye:
 Jack Caldwell Sandy Walden
 Eric Long Dave Knox
 Scott Stuewe Matt Seman
 Teresa Benner

Motion carried

Information Items

a. Faculty Spotlight - Literacy Initiative: Carolyn Assalley

Carolyn Assalley, Elementary Assistant Principal and Education Specialist, gave a presentation on the Literacy Initiative in our district. She reported that several of our teachers were trained last Spring on current research based comprehension strategies in a 'Train the Trainer' format so they could come back and share the information with other teachers. The goal of the training was to help students become strategic readers, teaching them to use these strategies in all literacy based activities (not just in Reading and English classes but also in Science, Social Studies and any literacy based activity in which students must process written text). Mrs. Assalley stated that all grade level teachers K-8, all special education teachers, all reading interventionists and high school content area teachers are being trained in reading strategies. Having the strategies taught in all buildings will provide a progression so students maintain these skills and will be able to apply them. She also noted that the focus on reading is non-fiction, having students read for information purposes to develop comprehension skills. This initiative is also in line with Common Core Standards.

b. Superintendent's Report

- **Financial Update** - Mr. Root presented a 2005-2011 cash flow analysis and reiterated where we are at the end of December with a balance in all funds of \$5,198,911 and a balance in the Operating Funds of \$5,087,826. By comparison, at the end of December, 2010, our balance in all funds was \$5,467,264 and in the Operating Funds was \$4,652,048. Mr. Root noted that although the all funds balance appears to be lower than last year, it is due to the timing of the bond payment. In reality, with the receipt of the TIF funds that came this month, we are actually about \$700,000 better than last year at this time.
- **Student Fees** - Mr. Root expressed the importance of at least looking at stair stepping down student book fees, as promised, as our financial picture continues to improve. He reviewed with the Board, that we initially raised book rental fees from \$75 to \$150 and then 3 years ago we lowered them by \$10 and have made another subsequent \$10 drop to \$130. He is proposing that the Board consider at least a moderate \$5 reduction for next year if possible. He noted that every \$10 reduction in fees amounts to about \$13,000 in lost revenue. The Board discussed our fees in comparison to area districts and Mr. Root said he would get an updated comparison for them to see where our district falls.
- **Lunch Prices** - Mr. Root informed the Board that the federal government is requiring us to look at our lunch prices and adjust to cost. Pauline Osman, District Food Service Director, will be making a recommendation for the prices, based on the federal government's calculations.
- **District Office Substitute** - Mr. Root informed the Board that we are in need of someone to do data entry and filing on a substitute basis, possibly a day or two a week. He noted that this would be like hiring a substitute teacher and is not an 'official' position.

c. Principal Reports (Written reports were submitted to the Board)

Mr. Furlow reported that Presley Kerber will be seeking Board approval as a volunteer coach, to help Joe Fandel with soccer. She is a WHS graduate.

Mrs. Lindsey reported that K-5 Universal screening will take place this month, as well as a Toby Tire assembly, and Sherman Jump activities. She reported that second quarter report cards will be issued January 25. Mrs. Dragoo's character education theme for January is self-control. She reported that ISAT testing is coming soon and the quarterly celebration for good behavior students 2nd quarter is Friday, January 20.

Action Items:

A motion was made by Matt Seman and seconded by Scott Stuewe to keep Executive Session Meeting Minutes sealed.

Discussion: These are the minutes for the previous 6 months.

Motion carried

A motion was made by Scott Stuewe and seconded by Eric Long to approve the destruction of closed minutes recordings that are at least 18 months old and for which approved minutes of closed meetings already exist in accordance to district policy 2:220.

Discussion: None

Motion carried

A motion was made by Matt Seman and seconded by Eric Long to renew Lincoln Regional Delivery Systems yearly agreement.

Discussion: Mr. Root explained that LRDS provides the administrative services for Ltech, where our students go to vocational school.

Motion carried

A motion was made by Scott Stuewe and seconded by Teresa Benner to approve Alex Metz, HS Individual Aide.

Discussion: None

On roll call the following members answered aye:

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| Jack Caldwell | Sandy Walden |
| Eric Long | Dave Knox |
| Scott Stuewe | Matt Seman |
| Teresa Benner | |

Motion carried

A motion was made Eric Long and seconded by Matt Seman to approve Presley Kerber, HS Volunteer Girls' Soccer Coach.

Discussion: None

On roll call the following members answered aye:

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| Jack Caldwell | Sandy Walden |
| Eric Long | Dave Knox |
| Scott Stuewe | Matt Seman |
| Teresa Benner | |

Motion carried


A motion was made by Eric Long and seconded by Scott Stuewe to adjourn the meeting.

Discussion: None


Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Dated this 16th day of January, 2012



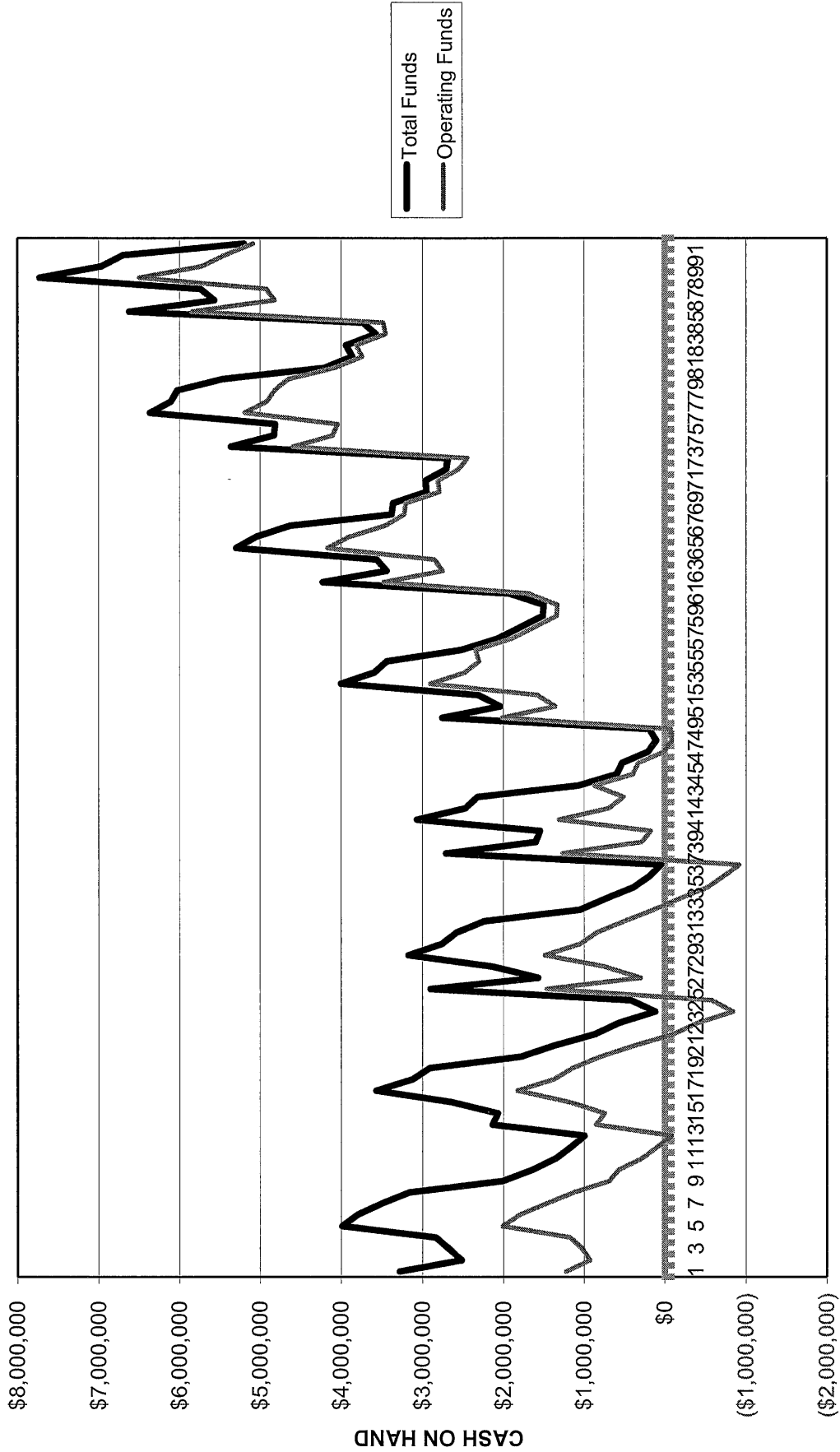
Board President



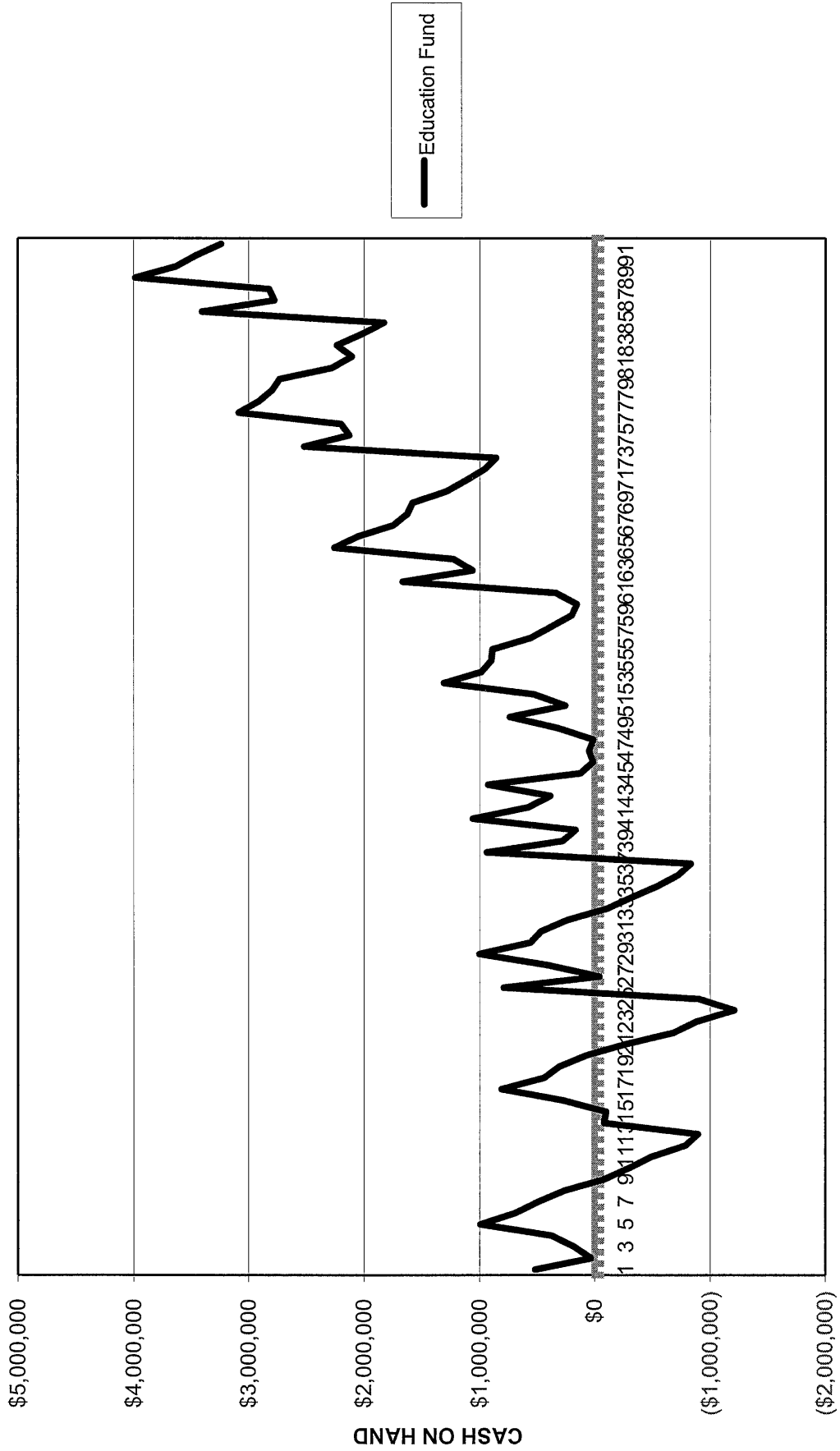
Board Secretary

Submitted by Kay Carter, Recording Secretary

MONTHLY BALANCE (TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS)

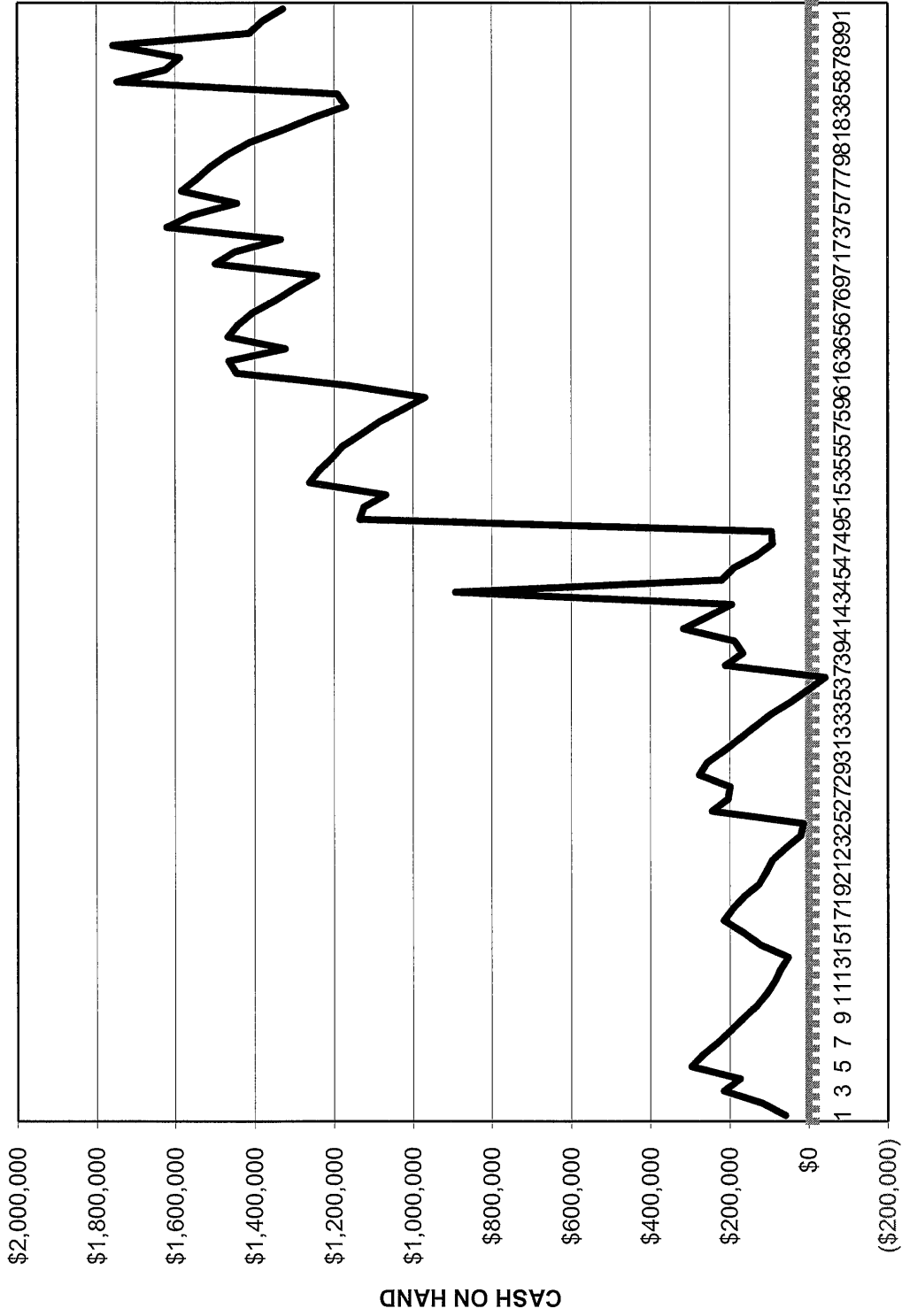


MONTHLY BALANCE (Education)



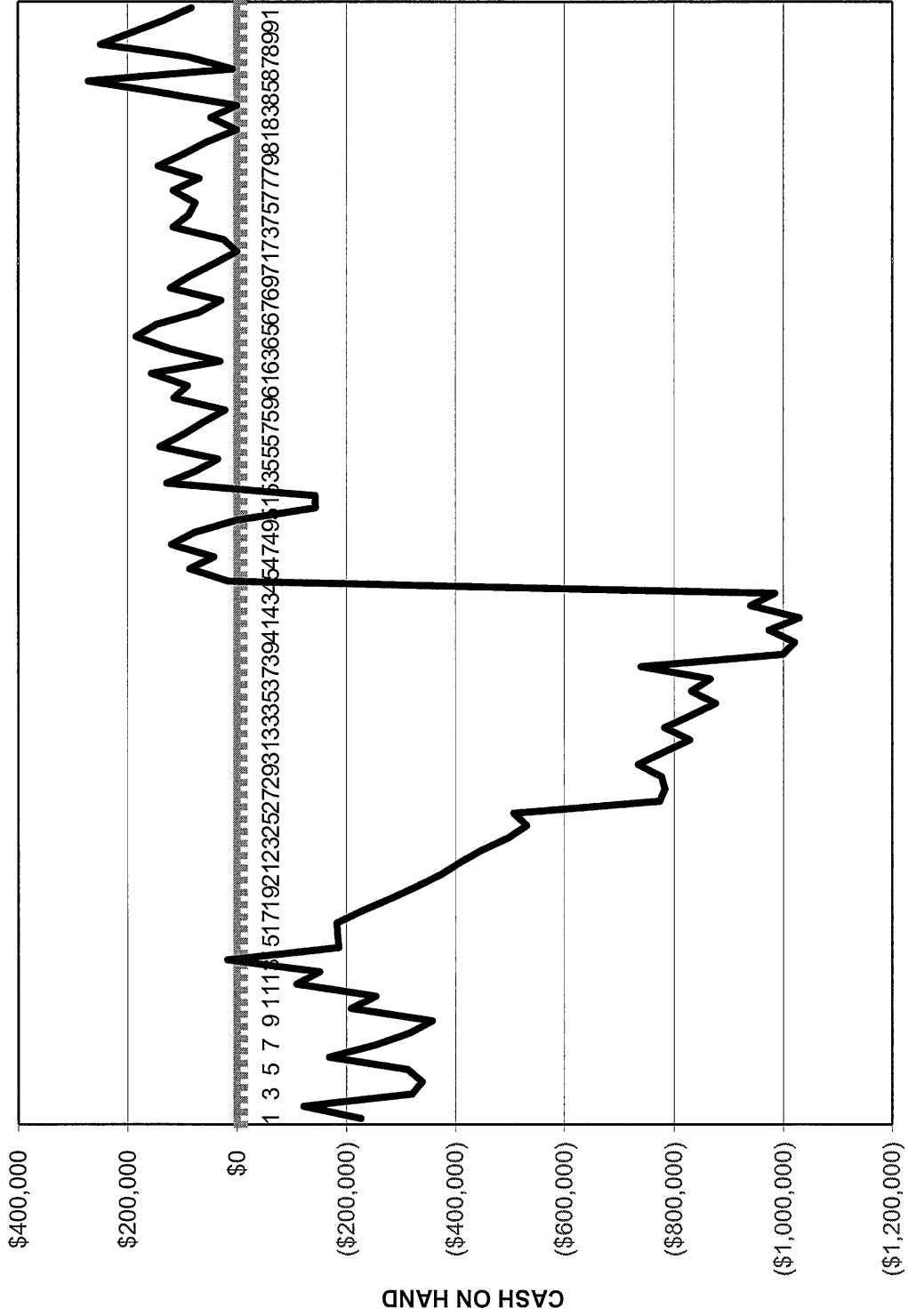
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MONTHLY BALANCE (Building)



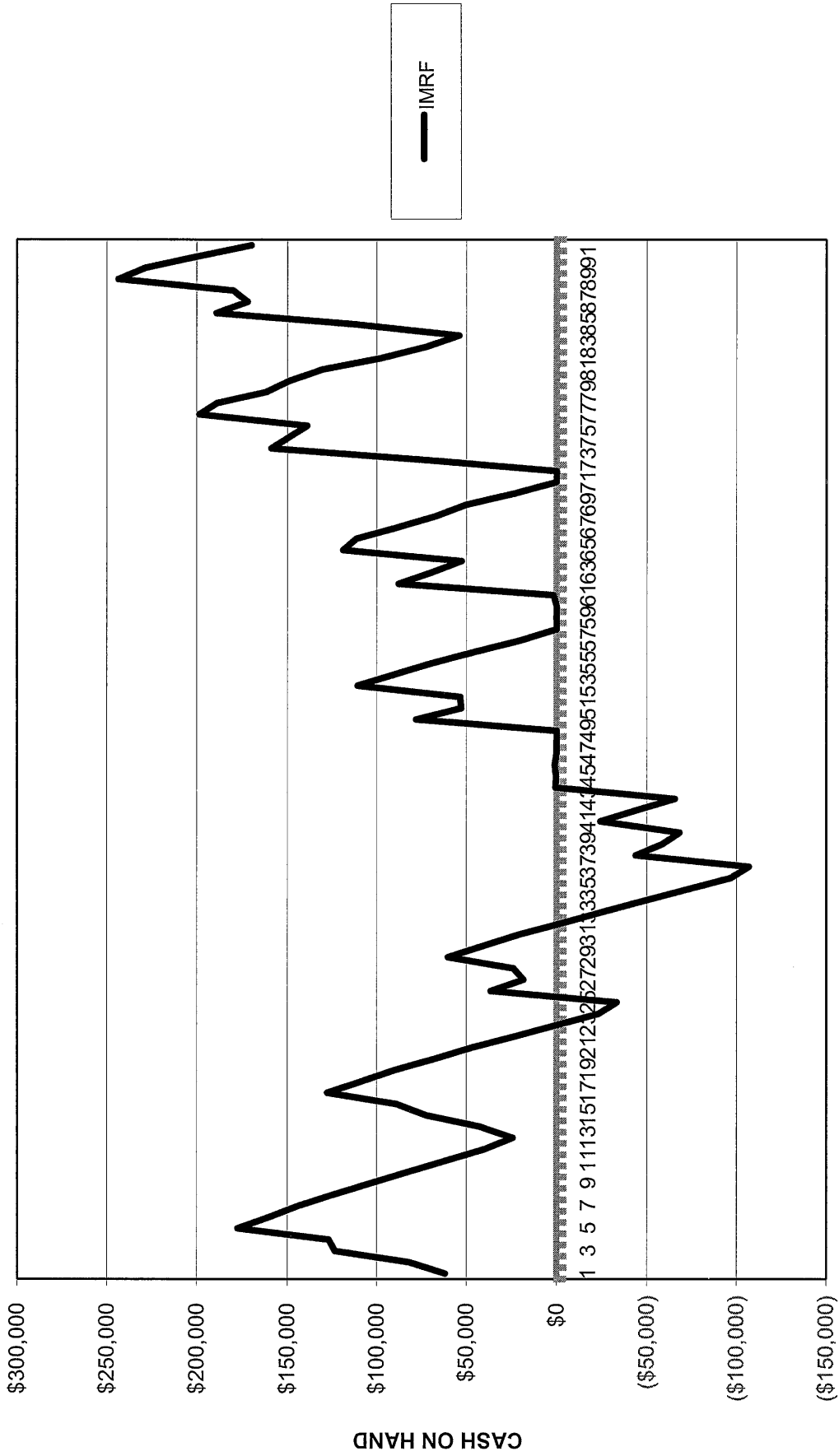
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MONTHLY BALANCE (Transportation)



May 31, 2004 - December 31, 2011

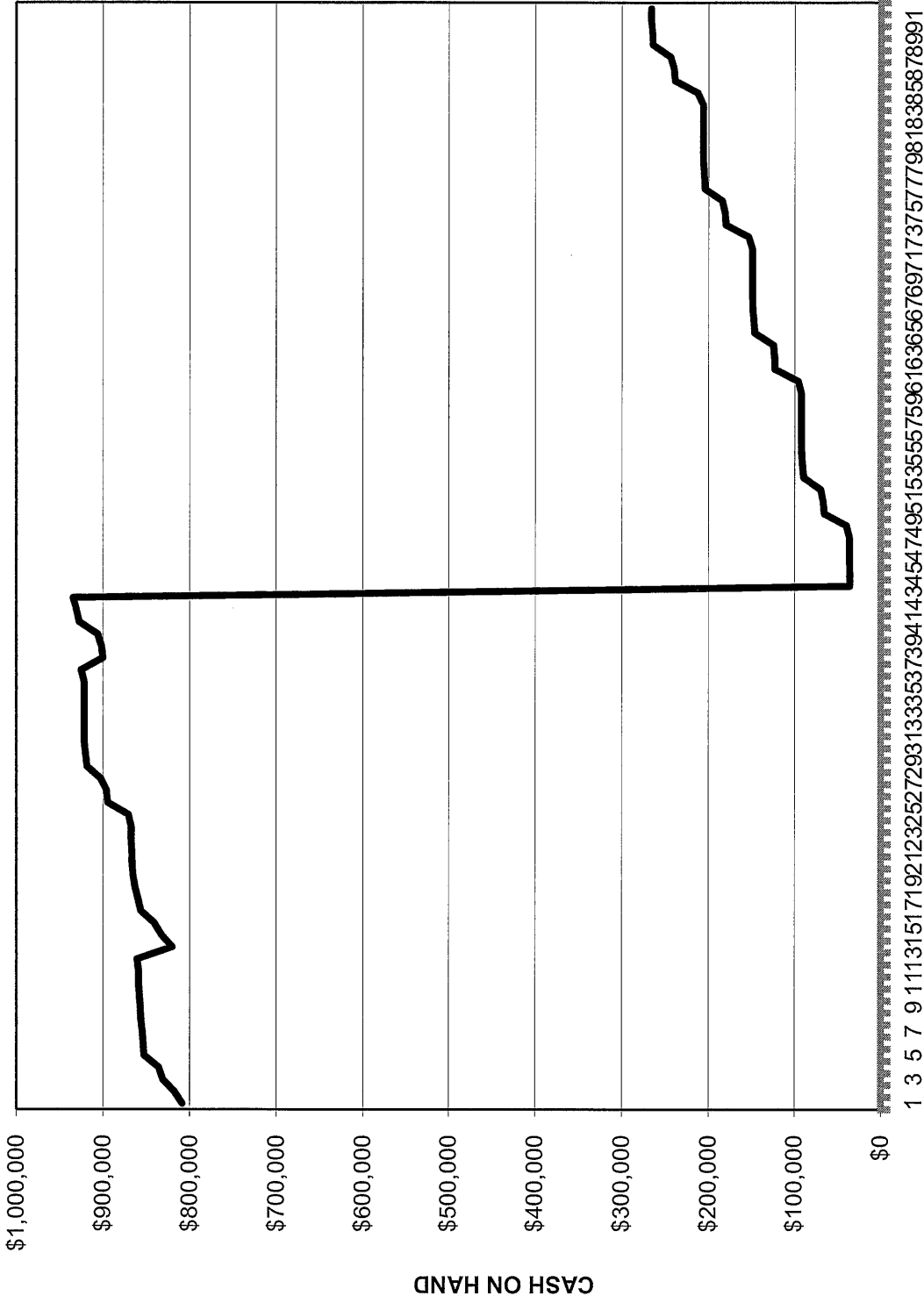
MONTHLY BALANCE (IMRF)



May 31, 2004 - December 31, 2011

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MONTHLY BALANCE (Working Cash)



May 31, 2004 - December 31, 2011

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