Date: November 11, 2012

 To: Local newspapers

 Re: Intention to file petition to have ballots recounted

After meeting with family and friends, Lincoln School Board Candidate Thomas Rollins has decided to either a petition the Washtenaw or Wayne County Elections Division to have the ballots recounted from the November 6, 2012 Lincoln School Board election.

This petition will be filed, pending the final numbers from Wayne County and certification from the Washtenaw County Elections Division. Out of a total of17,207 ballots cast, for two open seats on the school board, only 16 votes or a difference of 0.09% separate Rollins and the incumbent Yoline Williams. Unofficial numbers have Mr. Rollins with 3322 votes or 19.31% and Ms. Williams with 3338 votes or 19.40%.

This was a close race and there was some over and under votes reported by Wayne County. Wayne County has not shown or given the amount of absentee ballots that were cast. It is the Wayne County ballots that we want recounted. This recount will end the rumors and give both candidates and their supporters closer.

I congratulated Ms. Williams; however I informed her that I would ask for a recount. Since the election I have been getting calls, texts, or emails congratulating me, and calls, texts, or emails asking me to have a recount. I wanted to take time to think this process through, ensuring that there would be no costs to the district.

My contact information is as follows. Cell number 734-883-6030 and my email address is thomas.rollins@yahoo.com

Sincerely

Tom