



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

City Council Chambers

14400 Dix Toledo, Southgate, MI 48195

**BOARD OF
EDUCATION**

PRESIDENT

JASON CRAIG

DATE: January 8, 2019 7:10 p.m.

VICE PRESIDENT

TIMOTHY O. ESTHEIMER

SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS:

Southgate City Clerk, Jan Ferencz administered the Oath of Office to Neil Freitas and Rick Lamos.

SECRETARY

DR. DARLENE L. POMPONIO

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Kupser, Lamos Pomponio

TREASURER

JASON R. KUPSER

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Pastor, McLachlan

TRUSTEES

NEIL J. FREITAS
ANDREW A. GREEN
RICK LAMOS

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Craig read the District Mission and Vision Statements.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Mr. Craig was nominated for President by Mr. Estheimer and accepted the nomination.
Vote: 7-0 to approve Mr. Craig as President.

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Estheimer was nominated for Vice President by Dr. Pomponio and accepted the nomination.

Vote: 7-0 to approve Mr. Estheimer as Vice President.

SUPERINTENDENT

JILL M. PASTOR

Dr. Pomponio was nominated for Secretary by Mr. Green and accepted the nomination.
Vote: 7-0 to approve Dr. Pomponio as secretary.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

DIRECTOR

THERESA MCLACHLAN, C.P.A.

Mr. Kupser was nominated for Treasurer by Mr. Green and accepted the nomination.
Vote 7-0 to approve Mr. Kupser as Treasurer.

CURRICULUM/FEDERAL

PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

DR. MICHELLE BAKER-HERRING

REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

2018-19-70 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Jason Kupser, the board eliminate the appointments to: Legislative Relations Network Chairperson, Liaison for MASB Information, Wayne County Association of School Boards and Liaison to Southgate Recreation Department and City Council, and approve the January 8, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Kupser, Lamos, Pomponio

NO:

Mr. Green commented that all of these positions have already been filled for more than a one year term.

DIRECTOR OF

HUMAN RESOURCES

GERARD L. MORIN

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Karen George, Southgate City Council, congratulated the new board members and thanked all board members for their dedication and hard work. She is available at any time if they need her assistance.

Mr. Phil Rausch, Southgate City Council and Liaison to the Board of Education, informed the board that after the passage of the ballot proposal calling for the legalization of recreational marijuana use in Michigan; Southgate City council wants to get more information before acting on or making decisions to prevent the sale of it in our city, due to the fact it is tied to school funding. The city and schools are trapped when it comes to more revenue coming in. He provided data from the state of Colorado as to how increased tax dollars were a result of the growing and selling of marijuana. Mr. Rausch also asked about the ability for the Southgate Community Players to access Showtix4u.com through the district's wifi when they are in Davidson Middle School.

PRESENTATIONS

Ms. Pastor presented board members with engraved thermos mugs in recognition of Board Appreciation Month. She thanked board members for representing the citizens that voted for each of them to represent them on the Southgate Board of Education. She thanked them for also representing the students of Southgate Schools that need our continued effort to make Southgate Schools the best choice for students and parents. Ms. Pastor says she knows each board member dedicates hours to this work and it is appreciated. She is looking forward to working together to accomplish great things. As board members were given their mugs she offered a bit of a challenge to them in the hopes we could help the economy and district budget by bringing the mugs to each meeting. There will be water available to fill the cups or they can bring it from home, therefore saving the district the expense of providing water bottles.

CONSENT

2018/19-71 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Kupser, the board approve the minutes from December 18, 2018, Disbursements for December 2018 and Operational Organization of the Board for Designation of: Depository(s) for District Funds, Firms for Interest Bearing Instruments & Authorization, Newspaper for Publication of Official Notices, Legal Counsel, Auditor, and Superintendent and Director of Business & Finance to Publish Notes.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Kupser, Lamos, Pomponio

NO:

ACTION

None

EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES

None

INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Pomponio updated the board on the PTO sponsored bathroom project at DMS which involved the painting of the walls with inspirational quotes in an effort to prevent bullying. The lower half of the walls were painted during break and now await Tuttle Construction for painting the quotes. She will keep the board updated on the progress. She thanked the volunteer parents.

Mr. Estheimer welcomed back the students and staff and wished them a Happy New Year. He welcomed Mr. Lamos to the table and welcomed back Mr. Freitas; congratulated them and looks forward to serving with them.

ADJOURNMENT

2018/19- 72 It was moved by Mr. Estheimer supported by Mr. Green, the board adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Green, Kupser, Lamos, Pomponio

NO:

Respectfully submitted by: Theresa Grzechowski

Dr. Darlene Pomponio-Secretary
Board of Education

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