

ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

August 29, 2011

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE

A regular meeting of the Board of Education for the Rochester Community Schools, Rochester, Michigan was held on Monday, August 29, 2011, in the Rochester Community Schools Administration Center, 501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan. President Barb Cenko called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Board members led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECORD ROLL

Members Present: Barb Cenko, Jennifer Berwick, Lisa Nowak, Beth Talbert, Marty Sibert, Chuck Coutteau, Gerald Moore

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Fred Clarke, Geraldine Moore, Beth Davis, Debbie Hartman, Lori Hartnell, John Stoner, Christine Keener and approximately fifteen visitors.

Mrs. Cenko welcomed audience members to the meeting and reminded the community of the ways in which they could participate in the meeting and/or contact the Board of Education.

COMMUNICATIONS

A. Secretary of the Board of Education

Mr. Moore shared the following communications that the Board of Education received since the prior meeting: Bruce Stevens regarding transportation concerns, and Jennifer Chammas regarding advertising within the schools.

B. Citizens Requesting Placement on the Agenda

None

C. Members of the Board of Education

Mr. Coutteau shared that he received communication from Mr. McChrystal regarding the Renaming District Facilities Policy.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the following consent agenda item.

Moved by: Ms. Nowak
Supported by: Mr. Coutteau

- Approve current bills payable for August 2011 in the amount of \$2,471,449.56.

Motion carried: 7-0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Board Bylaw 0160 Proposed Revision

A motion was made to remove the item from the table.

Moved by: Mrs. Berwick
Supported by: Mrs. Talbert

Mr. Clarke, Superintendent, stated he had not received any suggestions for changes since the last meeting, and therefore was recommending that the Board approve the revised Board Policy 0160 as presented at the August 15, 2011 Board of Education meeting.

Motion carried: 7-0

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

A. Human Resources Recommendation

A motion was made to approve the Human Resources Recommendations.

Moved by: Mr. Coutteau
Supported by: Mr. Moore

Ms. Davis, Executive Director of Human Resources, presented the following recommendations:

Appointment

Ryan Starr, Principal, Hampton Elementary

Resignation

Kimberly Nash, Fifth Grade Teacher, Brooklands Elementary

New Hires

Dawn Adams, Kindergarten Teacher, Baldwin Elementary
Steven Book, Social Studies Teacher, Stoney Creek High School
Barbara Boren, First Grade Teacher, Brooklands Elementary

Amanda Brzezicki, Language Arts/French Teacher, Van Hoosen Middle School
Leslee Caplan, First Grade Teacher, Brooklands Elementary
Dale Coats, Social Studies Teacher, Stoney Creek High School
Brenda Carlson, Media Specialist, Adams High School
Amanda Czarnik, Family Consumer Science Teacher, Stoney Creek and Adams High Schools
Jeanna Davis, Kindergarten Teacher, Long Meadow Elementary
Michelle Gallagher, Kindergarten Intervention Teacher, Brooklands Elementary
Jillian Johnson, Fifth Grade Teacher, Long Meadow Elementary
Amanda Carleton, English/Language Arts Teacher, Hart Middle School
Carolyn Mammen, Science/Technology Teacher, Hart Middle School
Tracy Marshall, Teacher of Speech and Language Impaired, Hamlin Elementary
Robert Phelps, Fifth Grade Job Share Teacher, University Hills Elementary
Jarilynn Poniewierski, Fifth Grade Job Share Teacher, Hamlin Elementary
Tarah Sadowski, Second Grade Teacher, Baldwin Elementary
Katelyn Sanders, Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher, Stoney Creek High School
Kristan Shields, Resource Teacher, McGregor Elementary
Lesley Signorello, Fourth Grade Job Share Teacher, Long Meadow Elementary
Jessica Stickel, Second Grade Teacher, Meadow Brook Elementary
Sara Sullivan, Language Arts Teacher, Van Hoosen Middle School

Motion carried: 7-0

The Board welcomed Mr. Ryan Starr, Principal of Hampton Elementary as well as all the new district employees.

B. Superintendent's Committee Reports

Superintendent's Business, Operation and Support Advisory Committee – Ms. Hartnell, Director of Budget and Finance, reported on two of the committee meetings. July 20, 2011 included discussion of the recycling program and the RFP going out for bid with a recycling option; high school and middle school athletic fee discounts for free and reduced lunch eligible students; suggestion for administration to meet regularly with union presidents; suggestion for a total compensation report to be given to each employee; request for report on the financial impact of pending and passed legislation. August 24, 2011 included status of the 2010-2011 financial report; transfer of funds to the capital projects fund; financial software upgrades; and comparison of committee goals to district goals.

Superintendent's Continuous Improvement Committee – Mr. Clarke, Superintendent, reported on the August 17, 2011 meeting which included discussion of the tasks from the August 5, 2011 Board Retreat; review of the August 22, 2011 Board Retreat Agenda; goals for the Superintendent's Continuous Improvement Committee (SCIC) will be set at the September 14, 2011 meeting; review of the August 29, 2011 New Teacher Orientation Agenda; and the setting of dates for future SCIC meetings.

Superintendent's Curriculum Advisory Committee – No report at this time due to cancellation of the August committee.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2011

Mr. Moore was absent with notice from the August 15, 2011 Regular Board of Education meeting.

A motion was made to approve the Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2011.

Moved by: Ms. Nowak

Supported by: Mrs. Berwick

Ayes: Mrs. Cenko, Mrs. Berwick, Mrs. Nowak, Mrs. Talbert, Mr. Sibert, Mr. Coutteau

Nays: None

Abstentions: Mr. Moore

Motion carried: 6-0-1

B. Rochester Community Schools Goals Discussion

The Board reviewed the Rochester Community Schools Goals that were first discussed at the August 22, 2011 Board Retreat and finalized the language. The format will be District Goals supported by task oriented and measurable objectives which will be developed by administration in collaboration with the Board. These draft objectives will be presented to the Board in September.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

A. Citizens Present

James Casazza, community member, addressed the Board regarding the elimination of the business equipment tax and the impact on the school aid fund and the federal legislation regarding the debt ceiling.

B. Members of the Administration None

C. Members of the Board of Education

Ms. Nowak asked Mr. Clarke how his building tours went. Mr. Clarke shared that the buildings are in great shape and that many teachers were already in their rooms getting prepared.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

Moved by: Mrs. Talbert

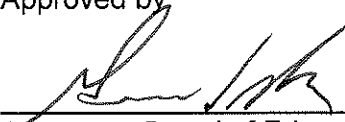
Supported by: Mr. Moore

Motion carried: 7-0

Respectfully submitted:

Christine Keener
Recording Secretary

Approved by:


Secretary, Board of Education