



ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
October 13, 2014

MINUTES

Call to Order

A Regular Meeting, Open to the Public, of the Board of Education for the Rochester Community Schools, Rochester, Michigan was held on Monday, October 13, 2014 at the Harrison Room. President Lisa Nowak called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Board members led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members Present: Lisa Nowak, Michael Zabat, Jane Pierobon, Jennifer Berwick, Pat Piskulich and Beth Talbert

Members Absent: Chuck Coutteau, with prior notice

Others Present: Robert Shaner, Debi Fragomeni, Dan Romzek, Beth Davis, Carrie Lawler, Michael Behrmann, Anne Evans and approximately 80 visitors.

Dr. Shaner requested a moment of silence for Linda LaFleur-Harper, a para-educator at Stoney Creek High School who passed away suddenly.

Spotlight on Success

A. Tenure Teachers

Chief Human Resource Officer Beth Davis and Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Debi Fragomeni recognized the teachers who received State of Michigan Tenure as of the 2013-2014 school year.

B. National Blue Ribbon Schools

Executive Director of Elementary Education Michael Behrmann and Executive Director of Secondary Education Carrie Lawler announced that Musson Elementary School and Van Hoosen Middle School have been designated National Blue Ribbon Schools for 2014 by the U.S. Department of Education.

Communications

A. Secretary of the Board of Education

Mr. Zabat shared the following communications received by the Board of Education since the prior meeting: Christine McPherson regarding class size; Bailey Compton regarding an article for The Source, the Stoney Creek High School newspaper; and Dean Tanski regarding student emergency cards. There were two additional e-mails regarding military uniforms.

B. Citizens Requesting Placement on the Agenda – none

C. Student Representatives to the Board

Student Representatives from Rochester, Stoney Creek, Adams and ACE high schools shared information about activities taking place at their schools since the start of the school year.

D. Members of the Board of Education – none

Consent Agenda

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented.

A. Current Bills Payable for September 6, 2014 through October 3, 2014 in the amount of \$6,711,622.50

B. Board of Education Work Session Meeting Minutes, September 22, 2014

C. Approval of Mrs. Berwick, Mrs. Talbert and Mr. Zabat attending the MASB Annual Leadership Conference in Grand Rapids, MI on November 7-8, 2014 in the amount of \$1,550.00. Source of funding: General Fund

Moved by: Mr. Zabat

Supported by: Dr. Piskulich

Vote: 6-0

Reports

A. Superintendent's Committee Reports (Information Item) Dr. Shaner and Mr. Romzek

Dr. Shaner shared information from the Superintendent's Steering Committee meeting that took place on October 9, 2014. Discussion included student enrollment, the district budget, finalizing the Strategic Plan and moving forward with organizing a committee for the facility planning process.

Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs Dan Romzek shared information from the Superintendent's Business and Operations Committee meeting that took place on October 6, 2014. Discussion included student enrollment, budget items and the 2014 audit.

New Business

A. Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes, September 8, 2014 (Action Item)

Mr. Zabat was absent, with notice, from the Board of Education Regular Meeting on September 8, 2014.

A motion was made to approve the Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2014.

Moved by: Mrs. Talbert

Supported by: Mrs. Pierobon

Abstentions: Mr. Zabat

Vote: 5-0-1

B. Human Resource Report - (Action Item) Ms. Davis

Ms. Davis presented the following recommendations:

NEW TEACHER HIRES

Rebecca Couch, English Teacher, Adams High School and Van Hoosen Middle School

Candice Ducoing, Resource Room Teacher, Brooklands Elementary School

Marliese Jagels, Speech/Language Pathologist, McGregor Elementary School

Aaron Mize, Social Studies Teacher, Adams High School

David Uhrig, Instrumental Music/Band Director, Rochester High School

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Dr. Cathryn Armstrong, Principal of Stoney Creek High School

A motion was made to approve the Human Resource Report as presented.

Moved by: Mrs. Berwick

Supported by: Mrs. Pierobon

Vote: 6-0

C. RPEA Master Agreement (Action Item) Ms. Davis

Ms. Davis summarized the changes to the master agreement in the areas of union security and union dues, hours of work, benefit protection, and compensation.

A motion was made to approve the RPEA Master Agreement as presented.

Moved by: Mrs. Talbert

Supported by: Dr. Piskulich

Vote: 6-0

Ms. Nowak extended her gratitude to Ms. Davis and the bargaining team.

D. Approval of Strategic Plan (Action Item) Dr. Shaner

Mrs. Fragomeni shared the Rochester Community School Belief Statements.
Mrs. Lawler shared the Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment strategies.
Mr. Behrmann shared the Global Awareness strategies.
Mr. Romzek shared the Technology and Infrastructure strategies.

A motion was made to approve the Strategic Plan as presented.

Moved: Mrs. Berwick
Supported: Mr. Zabat
Vote: 6-0

Board members thanked the members of the Strategic Plan Committee for their time and efforts involved in this process.

Additional Business

A. Citizens Present at the Meeting – None

B. Members of the Administration

Dr. Shaner thanked the Stoney Creek High School Crisis Team for their recent efforts in dealing with a building crisis. In particular, he thanked Mr. Kelley, Dr. McKay and Mrs. Srabian for their leadership. Dr. Shaner also thanked all district teachers and administrators for an excellent professional development day. He greatly appreciated everyone's hard work and dedication.

C. Members of the Board of Education

Mrs. Pierobon shared comments from Chat with the Board including district professional development, special education and the Staples/Intel Award given to ACE.

Mrs. Talbert shared information from the Oakland County School Board Association (OCSBA) Legislative Committee Meeting.

Announcements

Upcoming RCS Events:

10/15: Evening Conferences for Grades 6-8
10/16: Evening Conferences for Grades 9-12
10/27: Board of Education Work Session, 7:00 p.m., Brewster Elementary
10/31: End of first marking period

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Moved by: Mrs. Talbert

Supported by: Mrs. Pierobon

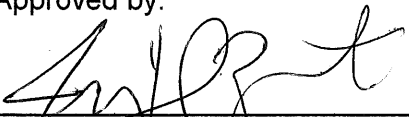
Vote: 6-0

Respectfully submitted:

Amy Schuster

Recording Secretary

Approved by:


Secretary, Board of Education