



**ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**  
May 9, 2016

**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, May 9, 2016 in the Harrison Room. President Pat Piskulich called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Board members led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Members Present: Pat Piskulich, Sandy Fiaschetti, Mike Zabat, Kristin Bull, Beth Talbert, Jennifer Berwick and Kevin Beers

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Robert Shaner, Debi Fragomeni, Elizabeth Davis, Dana Taylor, Michael Behrmann, Carrie Lawler, Anne Evans, Lori Grein, Dan Mooney, Don Maskill, Danielle Smith, Cindy Lindner, Pat Calvin, Pete Muscio, Doug Hill, and approximately 40 visitors

**Spotlight on Success**

**A. Student Trip to China**

The students and staff that attended the exchange trip to China in April, 2016 presented their perspective on the trip.

**Communications**

**A. Secretary of the Board of Education**

Mike Zabat shared the following communications received by the Board of Education since the prior meeting: Kimberly Lopez, regarding class sizes.

## **B. 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 this past month.

Pat Piskulich recognized the student representatives and thanked them for their service to their high schools and to the district.

## **C. Citizens Requesting Placement on the Agenda - None**

## **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 April 1, 2016 through April 30, 2016 in the amount of \$61,603,282.55
- B. Oakland Schools Board of Education Biennial Election Notice
- C. Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes, April 11, 2016
- D. Board of Education Work Session Minutes, April 25, 2016

Moved by: Beth Talbert  
Supported by: Mike Zabat

Vote: 7-0

### **Reports**

#### **A. Superintendent's Committee Reports** (Informational Item) Dr. Shaner, Dana Taylor and Debi Fragomeni

Dr. Shaner reported on the Superintendent Steering Committee Meeting held on April 12, 2016. Topics of discussion were budget and staffing, student issues, 2016-2017 calendar, and Superintendent Merit Goals.

Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs Dana Taylor reported on the Superintendent Business and Operations Committee Meeting held on April 18, 2016. Topics of discussion were budget, the status of the financial software conversion, and the status of federal grants.

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Debi Fragomeni reported on the Superintendent Policy and Curriculum Committee meeting held on April 20, 2016. Topics of discussion were standards-based grading, and the elementary health curriculum revisions.

### **New Business**

#### **A. Human Resources Report** (Action Item) Elizabeth Davis

Elizabeth Davis presented the following recommendations:

RETIREMENTS

Patricia Blazis-Voight, Teacher at University Hills Elementary School, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the school year.

Mary Hartz, Teacher at Van Hoosen Middle School, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the school year.

Nadine Lauer, Teacher Consultant for the district, submitted her intent to retire effective at the end of the school year.

Nancy Leszczynski, Teacher at Van Hoosen Middle School, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the school year.

Madelyn McBroom-Teasley, Teacher at Hampton Elementary School, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the school year.

Larisa Okun, Teacher at Adams High School, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the school year.

Carol Pellafone, Teacher at Hart Middle School, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the school year.

Fran Ressler, Teacher at Brewster Elementary School, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the school year.

Moved by: Jennifer Berwick  
Supported by: Sandy Fiaschetti

Vote: 7-0

**B. Approval of Construction Project Bid Awards (Action Item) Dana Taylor**

Dana Taylor presented the following Construction Project Bid Awards:

A recommendation to award the following contracts: to Security Designs Inc. for Network IP Intercom and Access Control in the amount of \$31,388.00; to Security Designs Inc. for Connectivity for Access Control in the amount of \$15,960.00; and to Delta Network Services for Data Drops in the amount of \$9,022.50; for a total amount of \$56,370.50.

A recommendation to award the contract for Safe and Secure Entries to Mastercraft Floors in the amount of \$37,500.00, adjusting the Total Project Costs to \$762,150.00.

A motion was made to approve the Construction Project Bid Awards, as presented.

Moved by: Kristin Bull  
Supported by: Kevin Beers

Board discussion included the state of current camera system, question on how many cameras will be in each secure vestibule, handicap door access, installation timeline, function of emergency buttons, and emergency protocols and procedures.

Jennifer Mackaluso, parent, addressed the Board regarding safety precautions during construction.

Vote: 7-0

### **C. Elementary Health Curriculum Revisions (Action Item) Debi Fragomeni**

Director of Elementary Education Michael Behrmann and Elementary Program Consultant Danielle Smith presented the Michigan Model for Health, K-5 to the Board of Education for the Board's consideration.

A motion was made to approve the Elementary Health Curriculum Revisions, as presented.

Moved by: Beth Talbert  
Supported by: Kristin Bull

Board discussion included parent access of curriculum, HIV curriculum, health curriculum requirements, program structure and timeframe, and future revisions to middle and high school health curriculum.

Vote: 7-0

### **D. Oakland Schools 2016-2017 Budgets (Action Item) Dana Taylor**

Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs Dana Taylor outlined the requirement of districts to approve the Intermediate School District's budgets.

A motion was made to approve the Oakland Schools 2016-2017 Budgets, as presented.

Moved by: Sandy Fiaschetti  
Supported by: Kristin Bull

Vote: 7-0

## **Additional Business**

### **A. Citizens Present at the Meeting - None**

### **B. Members of the Administration**

Dr. Shaner thanked State Superintendent Brian Whiston for visiting Reuther Middle School and Hamlin Elementary this past week, and thanked Michael Behrmann and Carrie Lawler for all their planning and hospitality related to the recent Chinese Delegation visit.

Debi Fragomeni shared the following district news:

- 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Reuther Middle School won the State Geography Bee, and will be participating in the National Geography Bee next month.
- The High School Design & Tech Department will have students in Lansing, MI this week representing Rochester Community Schools and CTE at the Michigan Industrial & Technology Education Society Professional Development Conference.

- Adams students excelled in the National Spanish Exam

### **C. Members of the Board of Education**

Sandy Fiaschetti shared the following PTA Council Updates

- Michigan PTA convention – Rochester had the highest representation across the state
- Another successful AIA Program is complete
- District awards received at the PTA State convention
- PTA Council gave scholarships to seniors
- PTA gave grants to Safe Routes to School
- Talk Early and Talk Often Parent Night very well received
- Subcommittees looking into new fieldtrips and recess concerns
- PTA Council is collecting used school supplies to donate to Pontiac

Jennifer Berwick thanked Lori Grein, Sue Herring and Karen Schaeffer for their work on the Hometown Hustle. *Big Fish*, the musical at Stoney Creek High School, was outstanding.

Kevin Beers visited Brewster Elementary for the Ice Cream Social / Open House. He also experienced a “flipped classroom” concept.

Kristin Bull was invited to the Visioning Session for Downtown Rochester.

Pat Piskulich announced two changes to the 2015-2016 Board of Education Schedule. The Work Session scheduled for Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> will change to a Regular Meeting / Work Session. It will remain at West Middle School as scheduled. There will also be a Closed Session on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at West Middle School immediately following the scheduled meeting.

### **Announcements**

#### **Upcoming RCS Events:**

May 17	Stoney Creek High School Honors Convocation, 7 p.m.
May 18	Rochester High School Honors Convocation, 7 p.m.
May 23	Board of Education Work Session, West Middle School, 7 p.m.
May 30	No School for Students (Pre-K and Post High); Memorial Day Holiday
June 2	Adams High School Honors Convocation, 7 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

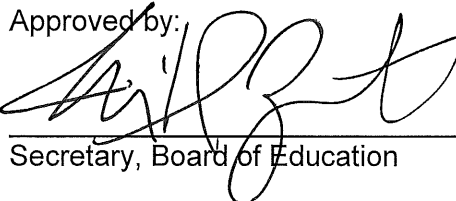
A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Moved by: Kevin Beers  
Seconded by: Mike Zabat

Vote: 7-0

Respectfully submitted:

Amy Schuster  
Recording Secretary

Approved by:  
  
Secretary, Board of Education