



**ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**  
501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan

**BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING**  
August 17, 2015

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order**

A Special Meeting, Open to the Public, of the Board of Education for the Rochester Community Schools, Rochester, Michigan was held on Monday, August 17, 2015 in the Harrison Room. President Jennifer Berwick called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Members Present: Jennifer Berwick, Beth Talbert, Pat Piskulich, Sandy Fiaschetti, and Kristin Bull

Members Absent: Mike Zabat, with notice

Others Present: Robert Shaner, Debi Fragomeni, Anne Evans, Michael Behrmann, Carrie Lawler, Lori Grein, Cindy Lindner, Doug Hill, and approximately 25 visitors.

Jennifer Berwick explained the interview process to the Board of Education applicants. Each candidate will be given approximately ten minutes to answer the questions asked from the current Board members. After all twelve candidates have been heard, the Board will rank them according to preference, and bring back the top selected individuals for interviews on Monday, August 24, 2015.

**Interview Process**

The following six applicants were interviewed: Kevin Beers, Michelle Buelteel, Dana Busch, Edmund Hillery, Merylyn Isabell and Elizabeth Witten.

The Board recessed at 8:09 p.m. and reconvened at 8:19 p.m.

The remaining six applicants were interviewed: Ryan Fitzpatrick, Anne Albertus, Johnathan Muenk, Melinda Deel, Jacob Katz and Mark Ornstein.

**Recess**

The Board recessed at 9:16 p.m. and reconvened at 9:32 p.m.

**Audience Comments**

Mr. Steve Albertus, citizen, addressed the Board regarding the District Mission Statement.

Mr. Jacob Katz, parent, addressed the Board regarding communication to Board candidates.

**Ranking Process**

Jennifer Berwick reviewed the ranking process and stated each Board member was to pick their top candidates and rank them according to their first, second and third choices.

After the ranking was complete, there were four candidates that had received the highest votes.

A motion was made to invite Kevin Beers, Michelle Bueltel, Elizabeth Witten and Ryan Fitzpatrick to return on August 24, 2015 for a final interview. The interview will take place under the New Business portion of the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Moved by: Pat Piskulich  
Supported by: Kristin Bull

Vote: 5-0

**Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m.


Moved by: Beth Talbert  
Supported by: Sandy Fiaschetti

Vote: 5-0

Respectfully submitted:

Amy Schuster  
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Recording Secretary

Approved by:

  
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Secretary, Board of Education