



ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan

BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION
October 24, 2016

MINUTES

Call to Order

A Work Session, open to the public, of the Board of Education for the Rochester Community Schools, Rochester, Michigan was held on Monday, October 24, 2016 at Hamlin Elementary School. Vice President Sandy Fiaschetti called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Members Present: Sandy Fiaschetti, Kristin Bull, Beth Talbert, Jennifer Berwick, and Kevin Beers

Members Absent: Pat Piskulich and Mike Zabat, with notice

Others Present: Robert Shaner, Debi Fragomeni, Elizabeth Davis, Carrie Lawler, Michael Behrmann, Anne Evans, Gary van Staveren, Susan Demeniuk, Cindy Lindner, Karen Gelardi, Wendy Beitel, Danielle Smith, and 4 visitors

Principal Gary van Staveren welcomed the Board of Education to Hamlin Elementary School. Mr. van Staveren gave the Board an update on Hamlin's enrollment and points of pride.

Communications

A. Secretary of the Board of Education

Kristin Bull shared the following communication received by the Board of Education since the prior meeting: Steve Emenheiser, regarding an incident that took place at Adams High School involving his children.

B. Citizens Requesting Placement on the Agenda - None

C. Members of the Board of Education - None

Work Session

A. Student Enrollment Goals

Paul Wills from Plante Moran CRESA presented a Pupil Enrollment and Demographic update to the Board including information on demographic trends, population trends, live birth rates by county, and grade pattern compilation.

Board discussion included clarification of full time equivalency and head count, and discussion regarding the kindergarten and Pre-K capture rates.

Joshua Raymond, parent, addressed the Board regarding the percentage of students living in our district that attend a Rochester district school.

B. Student Achievement Goals (Dr. Shaner)

Dr. Shaner gave an overview of the items being considered for Superintendent Student Achievement Measures.

Executive Director of Elementary Education Michael Behrmann outlined the literacy measures.

Board discussion included yearly cohort group dynamic changes.

Executive Director of Special Education Anne Evans shared information regarding students in the Language! Program.

Board discussion included the 2015-2016 6-8 grade growth rate, and the number of kids participating in the program.

Director of School Improvement and Supplemental Programs Karen Gelardi shared information regarding students that took the WIDA ACCESS test.

Board discussion included information on the WIDA test population and percentage of total district students that take this test.

Executive Director of Secondary Education Carrie Lawler reviewed the English Language Arts M-Step and SAT data.

Elizabeth Witten, parent, addressed the Board regarding comparing high school test scores with college success results.

Michael Berhmann outlined the numeracy measures.

Anne Evans shared information regarding students in the Trans Math program.

Carrie Lawler shared information regarding 8th grade M-STEP Math Proficiency, as well as 2016 SAT Math results.

Board discussion included a question regarding college admission changes based on new testing criteria.

Additional Business

A. Citizens Present at the Meeting - None

B. Members of the Administration

Director of Community Relations and Foundation Lori Grein reminded all of their upcoming Foundation Event – Sip, Savor & Shop, on November 10th.

C. Members of the Board of Education

Kristin Bull recently visited a history class at West Middle School. Kristin also accompanied Dr. Shaner and REA President Doug Hill on building Listening Tours at Long Meadow Elementary and Adams High School.

Announcements

Upcoming RCS Events:

November 7 No School for Students (K-12 and Post High)
November 7 **Board of Education Work Session**, 7:00 p.m., Administration Center
November 8 Election Day – No School for Students (K-12 and Post High)
November 9 Evening Conferences for Grades K-5
November 15 Evening Conferences for Grades K-5
November 17 Evening Conferences for Grades K-5
November 21 **Board of Education Meeting**, 7:00 p.m., Administration Center

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Moved by: Kevin Beers

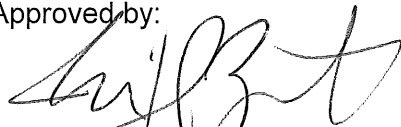
Supported by: Beth Talbert

Vote: 5-0

Respectfully submitted:

Amy Schuster
Recording Secretary

Approved by:


Secretary, Board of Education