



ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
February 6, 2017

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, February 6, 2017 in the Harrison Room. 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, Mike Zabat, Pat Piskulich, Kevin Beers and Michelle Bueltel

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Debi Fragomeni, Beth Davis, Dana Taylor, Carrie Lawler, Michael Behrmann, Anne Evans, Lori Grein, Pete Muscio, and approximately 75 visitors.

Spotlight on Success

A. National Merit Scholar Semi-Finalists

Director of Secondary Education Carrie Lawler announced the district commended students and National Merit Scholar semi-finalists. The students were presented with a certificate and acknowledged by the Board of Education.

Communications

A. Secretary of the Board of Education

Beth Talbert shared the following communications received by the Board of Education since the prior meeting: Mike Reno sent two messages – one regarding the restructuring of the Parent-Teacher Conferences, and a second regarding the revised district attendance and grading policy; and Kellen James with an invitation to attend the Stoney Creek Girls' Basketball Game for the 2nd Annual Teacher Appreciation Night.

B. Citizens Requesting Placement on the Agenda – None

C. Student Representatives to the Board

Student Representatives from ACE, Rochester, Stoney Creek and Adams High School shared information about activities taking place at their schools since the last meeting.

D. PTA Council Update

PTA Council President Barb Rill updated the Board on recent and upcoming PTA district events.

E. Members of the Board of Education

Michelle Bueltel provided an update on discussions held during Chat with the Board: Steve Goddard spoke about literacy, and Ben Johnson and Amy Frazier spoke regarding the Pledge of Allegiance, and plan to continue their discussion during Citizens Present at the Meeting.

Consent Agenda

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

- A. Current Bills Payable for January 1, 2017 through January 31, 2017 in the amount of \$13,196,996.14
- B. Approval for Kevin Beers to attend the Oakland County School Board Association Dinner Meeting on Wednesday, January 10 in the amount of \$30.00. Source of funding: General Fund
- C. Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes, January 9, 2017

Moved by: Mike Zabat
Supported by: Kristin Bull

Vote: 7-0

Reports

A. Superintendent's Committee Reports (Informational Item)

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Debi Fragomeni reported on behalf of Dr. Shaner. A Superintendent Steering Committee meeting was held on January 30, 2017. Topics of discussion included the upcoming Board of Education Retreat, open enrollment, and the superintendent evaluation.

Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs Dana Taylor reported on her Superintendent Business and Operations Committee meeting held on January 23, 2017. Topics of discussion included custodial services, budgeting documents, the status of business office process changes, and internal controls.

B. Rochester Community Schools Foundation – New Board Members

Director of Rochester Community Schools Foundation Lori Grein introduced new Foundation Board members Barb Rill, Pasquale Cusumano, Amy Grande and Mike Sampson to the Board of Education members.

New Business

A. Human Resources Report (Action Item) Elizabeth Davis

Chief Human Resource Office Elizabeth Davis presented the following notices:

RETIREMENTS

Bennet Bracey, teacher at Hart Middle School, submitted his letter of retirement effective at the end of the 2016-17 school year.

Paul Diegel, teacher at West Middle School, submitted his letter of retirement effective at the end of the 2016-17 school year.

Bernadette Gebregiorgis, Social Worker at Delta Kelly, submitted her letter of retirement effective at the end of the 2016-17 school year.

Francis Scislowicz, teacher at Hamlin Elementary School, submitted his letter of retirement effective January 31, 2017.

NEW HIRES

Sierra Wheaton, Speech and Language Pathologist, multiple buildings district wide.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT

Steven Rudnicki - Facilities Maintenance Manager

Motion to approve the Human Resource Recommendations, as presented.

Moved by: Kevin Beers

Supported by: Michelle Bueltel

Vote: 7-0

B. Board Of Education Policy 6320 Soliciting Prices/Bidding (Uniform Guidance Policies and Procedures) (First Reading) Dana Taylor

A motion was made to approve the First Reading of Board of Education Policy 6320 – Soliciting Prices/Bidding (Uniform Guidance Policies and Procedures), as presented.

Moved by: Beth Talbert

Supported by: Kevin Beers

A motion was made to table the item until the next regular meeting.

Moved by: Beth Talbert

Supported by: Kevin Beers

Vote: 7-0

C. Adams High School Band Uniforms (Action Item) Dana Taylor

A motion was made to approve the purchase of Adams High School Band Uniforms, as presented.

Board discussion included a comment regarding the replacement of the band uniforms from the other two high schools.

Moved by: Pat Piskulich
Supported by: Michelle Bueltel

Vote: 7-0

D. Bond Construction Project Bid Awards (Action Item) Dana Taylor

Dana Taylor outlined the following recommendations for bond construction bid award of contracts and approval of current project costs:

Addition and Renovations of West Middle School

A recommendation was presented to award the following contracts:

Pavex Corporation in the amount of \$438,400.00;
Asphalt Specialists, Inc. in the amount of \$276,963.00;
Blue Star Inc. in the amount of \$14,100.00;
CI Contracting in the amount of \$61,620.00;
Albanelli Cement Contractors Inc. in the amount of \$97,100.00;
D'Aloisio Masonry and Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$105,560.00;
Ross Structural Steel Inc. in the amount of \$89,760.00;
Ann Arbor Ceiling and Partition Company in the amount of \$246,850.00;
Wally Kosorski & Co. Inc. in the amount of \$42,780.00;
R.E. Legggette Company in the amount of \$17,800.00;
Harnish Fireproofing in the amount of \$8,750.00;
Superior Designs, Inc. in the amount of \$19,950.00;
DC Byers Company in the amount of \$13,900.00;
Royal Roofing Company, Inc. in the amount of \$141,500.00;
William Molnar Roofing Co., Inc. in the amount of \$99,708.00;
Kulbacki, Inc. in the amount of \$64,890.00;
Hewett Co., Inc. in the amount of \$110,000.00;
MasterCraft Floors in the amount of \$223,800.00;
Kuhn Specialty Flooring in the amount of \$23,800.00;
Eldorado Tile and Marble in the amount of \$7,340.00;
Accurate Painting Company in the amount of \$8,110.00;
CWW Inc. dba Creative Windows in the amount of \$4,800.00;
Steel Equipment Company in the amount of \$49,650.00;
Gardiner C. Vose, Inc. in the amount of \$33,944.00;
Detroit Automatic Sprinkler Company in the amount of \$22,600.00;
Oakland Plumbing Company in the amount of \$41,900.00;
Tech Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$131,931.00;
Metro Controls, Inc. in the amount of \$29,000.00;
E.L. Electrical in the amount of \$161,205.00;

for a contract sum of \$2,587,711.00, plus other project costs in the amount of \$589,833.00 for a total of current project costs in the amount of \$3,177,544.00.

Replacement of Video Cameras Systems in District Busses

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for purchase and installation of 62 Seon TL4F Video Camera Systems from Unity School Bus Parts in the amount of \$115,959.20.

Future Project Costs for Unit Ventilators – District Wide

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for unit ventilators (district wide) from Bolhouse LLC per the agreed upon Unit and Accessory Pricing Guide through the year 2020.

Interior Bleachers for Rochester High School – Addition and Renovations Re-Bid

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for interior bleachers for Rochester High School to Interkal Spectator Seating LLC for a contract sum of \$14,342.00, for a total of current project costs for February 2017, in the amount of \$17,020,322.00.

Communication Cabling Bid Package 1 (Hugger & Musson)

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for the Communication Cabling Bid Package 1 to Amcomm for a contract sum of \$125,000.00.

Interactive Flat Panels – Bid Package 1

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for the Interactive Flat Panels - Bid Package 1 to VSC in the amount of \$171,393.49.

Hard Tile for Hugger Elementary Addition and Renovations

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for the hard tile at Hugger Elementary to Eldorado Tile and Marble in the amount of \$71,586.00.

Window Shades for Hugger Elementary Addition and Renovations

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for window shades at Hugger Elementary to Rose Collection in the amount of \$8,956.00.

Hard Tile for Musson Elementary Addition and Renovations

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for the hard tile at Musson Elementary to Eldorado Tile and Marble in the amount of \$71,586.00.

Window Shades for Musson Elementary Addition and Renovations

A recommendation was presented to award a contract for window shades at Musson Elementary to Rose Collection in the amount of \$9,116.00.

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

Board discussion included a potential track at West Middle School, the redesign of the car loop at West, the process of picking contractors, the purchase of heating and cooling ventilators, interim flat panels, and the replacement of shades in the entire building.

Moved by: Michelle Buelstel
Supported by: Kevin Beers

Vote: 7-0

Additional Business

A. Citizens Present at the Meeting

Ben Johnson and Amy Frazier addressed the board regarding the Pledge of Allegiance. They felt that students should have a choice in reciting the Pledge.

Michelle Chevatewa recently left Fitzgerald public schools as a previous Board member and wanted to introduce herself.

Debbie Jones, West PTSA President, commented on the absence of a track at West Middle School.

B. Members of the Administration

Executive Director of Elementary Education Michael Behrmann announced that Adams, Brewster and Hamlin have been nominated for National Blue Ribbon status. Also, ten of our schools have received Reward School status.

The district just completed a historic week with 25 students joining us from Hai'an High School in China. Rochester High School students were outstanding ambassadors, not only for our district, but for our country.

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Debi Fragomeni invited Board members to the Board Retreat scheduled for Saturday.

C. Members of the Board of Education

Michelle Buelstel visited University Hills Elementary, Meadow Brook Elementary and Reuther Middle School. The students were so polite and friendly. At Makerspace, students created their own musical instruments. In a science class, children created their own energy drink.

Pat Piskulich thanked Superintendent Cabinet for their efforts with the Chinese guests.

Kevin Beers commented on the outstanding New Day Foundation for Families fundraiser that honored district student Sam Kell.

Sandy Fiaschetti thanked Debi Fragomeni and Michael Behrmann for filling in for Dr. Shaner.

Announcements

Upcoming RCS Events:

Feb. 11	Board of Education Retreat , 9:00 a.m., Harrison Room
Feb. 20	No School for Students, Mid-Winter Break
Feb. 21	No School for Students, Professional Development
Feb. 27	Board of Education Work Session , 7:00 p.m., Baldwin Elementary
March 10	No School for Students, Professional Development

March 13 **Board of Education Regular Meeting**, 7:00 p.m., Harrison Room

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Moved by: Kristin Bull
Seconded by: Mike Zabat

Vote: 7-0

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by:

Lori Grein
Recording Secretary

Beth Jalbert
Secretary, Board of Education