



ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan

BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK SESSION
September 25, 2017

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, September 25, 2017 at McGregor Elementary School. 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, Pat Piskulich, Mike Zabat, Kevin Beers, Michelle Bueltel and Barb Anness

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Robert Shaner, Debi Fragomeni, Lori Grein, Carrie Lawler, Michael Behrmann, Anne Evans, Dave Pontzious, Wendy Beitel, Susan Rapp, Lisa Ogiemwonyi, Ashley Painter, Doug Hill and approximately 6 visitors

Principal Dave Pontzious welcomed the Board of Education to McGregor Elementary School. Mr. Pontzious gave the Board an update on new staff and student initiatives taking place at McGregor.

Communications

A. Secretary of the Board of Education

Kevin Beers shared the following communications received by the Board of Education since the prior meeting: Joanna VanRaaphorst inviting BOE members to attend a breakfast meeting of the Greater Rochester Area Inclusion Network on November 16, 2017.

B. Citizens Requesting Placement on the Agenda - None

C. Members of the Board of Education - None

Work Session

A. Student Achievement Results

1. M-STEP

Executive Director of Elementary Education Michael Behrmann, along with Curriculum Consultants Susan Rapp, Ashley Painter and Lisa Ogiemwonyi and Early Literacy Coach Wendy Beitel shared the Elementary M-STEP results for the 2016-2017 school year. Comparisons were made to comparable surrounding districts, county, and state results.

- a. **PSAT/SAT** – Executive Director of Secondary Education Carrie Lawler, along with Curriculum Consultants Susan Rapp, Ashley Painter and Lisa Ogiemwonyi, reviewed the PSAT/SAT results from the 2016-2017 school year. Comparisons were made to comparable surrounding districts, county, and to state results.

2. i-Ready

Jeff Tompkins from Curriculum Associates gave a history of i-Ready use in Rochester Community Schools.

Kristyn Buhl-Lepisto from Curriculum Associates reviewed i-Ready data from the year-end 2016-2017 school year. Information reviewed included mathematics and reading performance and growth by school, grade and placement level.

Joshua Raymond, parent, addressed the Board regarding high achieving student groups.

Additional Business

A. Citizens Present at the Meeting

Joshua Raymond, parent, addressed the Board regarding i-ready reports.

B. Members of the Administration

Dr. Shaner thanked McGregor for hosting the Work Session, as well as our curriculum consultants for attending the meeting to provide further insight into the testing results.

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Debi Fragomeni reported on the following:

- Mindfulness for Educators Part 1 began today at Van Hoosen. This year, with the generous support of the Rochester Community Schools Foundation, we will be offering four Mindfulness professional development sessions available to district staff.
- Dr. Shaner and Debi Fragomeni were in Traverse City last week for the annual Michigan Association of School Administrators Fall Conference. Dr. Shaner was part of a panel that presented a session titled "Top 10 Things Every Superintendent Should Know".

C. Members of the Board of Education

Pat Piskulich valued the district acknowledgement of "Tech Appreciation Day."

Announcements

Upcoming RCS Events:

October 9 - Board of Education Regular Meeting, Admin Center, 7 p.m.

October 11 - Evening Conferences (9-12)

October 12 - Evening Conferences (6-8)

October 18 - Evening Conferences (6-8)

October 19 - Evening Conferences (9-12)

October 23 - Board of Education Work Session, Brewster Elementary, 7 p.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

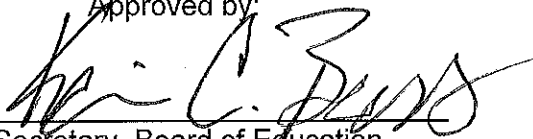
Moved by: Mike Zabat

Seconded by: Barb Anness

Vote: 7-0

Respectfully submitted:

Amy Schuster
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

Ken C. Bess
Secretary, Board of Education