



## **ROCHESTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

501 West University Drive, Rochester, Michigan

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

February 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM ~ Harrison Room

## **MINUTES**

### **Call to Order**

A Regular Meeting, open to the public, of the Board of Education for Rochester Community Schools, Rochester, Michigan was held on Tuesday, February 12, 2019, in the Harrison Room. Vice President Kevin Beers called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Board members led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Shaner led the meeting with a moment of silence for the recent passing of Sam Dewey.

### **Roll Call**

Members Present: Kevin Beers, Barb Anness, Mike Zabat, Michelle Bueltel and Andrea Walker-Leidy

Members Absent: Kristin Bull and Sandy Fiaschetti, absent with notice

Others Present: Dr. Robert Shaner, Debi Fragomeni, Elizabeth Davis, Dana Taylor, Lori Grein, Carrie Lawler, Anne Evans, Jessica Thomas, Pete Muscio, Cindy Lindner, Jennifer Fickel and approximately 20 visitors.

### **Communications**

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

Barb Anness shared three communications were received by the Board of Education since the prior meeting.

#### **B. Student Representatives to the Board**

Student representatives from ACE, Adams High School, Rochester High School, and Stoney Creek High School were not in attendance this evening due to the district closing due to inclement weather.

#### **C. PTA Council Update**

PTA Council President Maria Miceli updated the Board on recent and upcoming PTA district events.

Some of the events included:

- Rep. Webber will be attending Council Meeting on February 25 at 7pm
- Legislative Committee is planning an Advocacy Day on February 19 in Lansing
- Founder's Day is February 28
- STEAM Fair is March 2

**D. Citizens Requesting Placement on the Agenda - None**

**E. Members of the Board of Education**

Michelle Bueltel received three email communications: Dave Fuller regarding the RCS website; Jason Dick regarding start times for schools; and Nancy Costello and Emily Sosolik regarding IA Joint Steering Committee.

**Consent Agenda**

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

**A.** Current Bills Payable for January 1, 2019 through January 31, 2019 in the amount of \$13,288,440.34

**B.** Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes, December 10, 2018

**C.** Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes, January 14, 2019

Moved by: Mike Zabat

Supported by: Andrea Walker-Leidy

Vote: 5-0

**Reports**

**A. Superintendent's Committee**

Dr. Shaner presented from the January 14, 2019, Steering Committee. Topic of discussion was governance.

**B. Legislative Update**

Dr. Shaner presented that he and Barb attended the National School Board Association Equity Symposium and Advocacy Institute in Washington D.C.

Dr. Shaner also spoke about his experience at the MASA Conference and Governor Whitmer's speech.

Dr. Shaner attended a Legislative breakfast with other Oakland County Superintendents.

Dr. Shaner also met with Senator McMorro and other Oakland County representatives at Oakland Schools regarding legislative priorities and how they can support public education moving forward.

Lastly, Dr. Shaner had a conversation with Representative Reilly regarding preserving local control.

Barb Anness reported on her experience and feedback from NSBA Equity Symposium and Advocacy Institute.

**New Business**

**A. Human Resources Report**

Chief Human Resources Officer Elizabeth Davis presented the following recommendations:

REA RESIGNATIONS

Krisanne Rieck, 3rd Grade Teacher at University Hills Elementary School, submitted her letter of resignation effective February 6, 2019. Ms. Rieck had been with the district since August 2004.

ADMINISTRATOR RESIGNATIONS

Ebony Taylor, Human Resource Manager, submitted her letter of resignation effective January 25, 2019. Ms. Taylor had been with the district since April 2018.

NEW HIRES - REA – 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

Laura Jamieson, English Teacher, Van Hoosen Middle School

Motion to approve the Human Resources Report, as presented.

Moved by: Michelle Bueltel

Supported by: Andrea Walker-Leidy

Vote: 5-0

**B. Approval of Revision to Policy 5708, First Reading**

Beth Davis presented the Recommended Revisions to Policy 5708, First Reading.

Beth Davis addressed the Board to answer their questions.

Motion to approve the Approval of Revision to Policy 5708, First Reading, as presented.

Moved by: Mike Zabat

Supported by: Barb Anness

Vote: 5-0

**C. Recommendation for Award of Contracts and Approval of Current Project Costs for Stoney Creek High School Renovation Bid Pack #1 – Roofing – Source of Funding: Capital Projects Fund.**

Dana Taylor presented the recommendation for award of contracts and approval of current project costs for Stoney Creek High School renovation. The recommendation was to award the contracts in the contract sum of \$1,476,000 plus allowances and contract management fees in the amount of \$264,866 for a total of current projects in the amount of \$1,740,866.

Pete Muscio, Director of Capital Projects & Facilities, and a representative from Frank Rewold & Son addressed the Board to answer their questions.

Motion to approve the recommendation for Recommendation for Award of Contracts and Approval of Current Project Costs for Stoney Creek High School Renovation Bid Pack #1 - Roofing, as presented.

Moved by: Andrea Walker-Leidy

Supported by: Michelle Bueltel

Vote: 5-0

**D. Recommendation for Award of Contract and Approval of Current Project Costs for Serving Area Upgrades at Hart Middle School and Stoney Creek High School – Source of Funding: Food Service Fund.**

Dana Taylor presented the recommendation for award of contract and approval of current project costs for serving area upgrades at Hart Middle School and Stoney Creek High School in the amount of \$341,750, and to approve a contingency amount of 10% for a total project not-to-exceed amount of \$375,925.

Pete Muscio and Dr. Shaner addressed the Board to answer their question.

Motion to approve the Recommendation for Award of Contract and Approval of Current Project Costs for Serving Area Upgrades at Hart Middle School and Stoney Creek High School, as presented.

Moved by: Andrea Walker-Leidy

Supported by: Michelle Bueltel

Vote: 5-0

**E. Recommendation to Approve Bond Change Orders for Completed Projects and Projects in Progress**

Dana Taylor presented the recommendation to approve the bond change orders for completed projects and projects in progress in the amount of \$117,778.

Motion to approve the Recommendation for Award of Contract and Approval of Current Project Costs for Serving Area Upgrades at Hart Middle School and Stoney Creek High School, as presented.

Moved by: Michelle Beultel

Supported by: Barb Anness

Vote: 5-0

**Additional Business**

**A. Citizens Present at the Meeting – None**

**B. Members of the Administration**

Dr. Shaner recognized that Wednesday is Food Service Recognition Day and thanked all of the staff with Chartwells. Additionally, RCS was notified of its district-wide accreditation and Karen Gelardi for all of her service and dedication toward this accreditation. Lastly, thanked the RCS Grounds crew, the City of Rochester Hills and the Road Commission for their continued diligence during the inclement weather. Dr. Shaner also acknowledged Robin Carter for facilitating the recent MLK, Jr. events and the incredible MLK, Jr. posters from the kids.

Debi Fragomeni recognized the students who were in the audience and reminded everyone that the kids are our compelling why.

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

Michelle was very pleased with the MLK, Jr. events and acknowledged Robin Carter and her team. She attended the recent diversity & inclusion meeting. Michelle attended the PTA Council meeting recently held. She and Barb attending the OCSBA meeting in January. Michelle serves as a liaison on Rochester Area Youth Assistance (RAYA) and highlighted some of the upcoming meetings.

Andrea commended Robin Carter on the MLK, Jr. events and the awareness she brought to the district and to the community members who attended. She reminded everyone about Hometown Hustle on Saturday, May 11, 2019, as well as the Greater Rochester Leadership class Feb 7.

Barb thanked Dr. Shaner for adding a legislative update to tonight's agenda.

Kevin thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting, for the moment of silence, and to Barb for her advocacy in Washington D.C.

### **Announcements**

February 18 – No School for Students, Mid-Winter Break

February 25 – 7:00 p.m., Board of Education Work Session, Stoney Creek High School

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Moved by: Michelle Bueltel

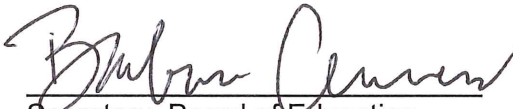
Seconded by: Mike Zabat

Vote: 5-0

Respectfully submitted:

Christina Whitmore  
Recording Secretary

Approved by:

  
Secretary, Board of Education