



**BOARD OF  
EDUCATION**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
With Closed Session  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
14400 DIX-TOLEDO RD.  
SOUTHGATE, MI 48195**

PRESIDENT

TIMOTHY O. ESTHEIMER

**DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

VICE PRESIDENT

ANDREW A. GREEN

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Green

SECRETARY

DR. DARLENE L. POMPONIO

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:** Irvine, Baker-Herring, Wilson

TREASURER

JASON CRAIG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Estheimer read the District Mission and Vision Statements.

TRUSTEES

NEIL J. FREITAS

RICK LAMOS

SHAWN SAGE

**REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

2021/22-29 Mr. Craig made a motion to revise the agenda, and add Action Item #1, Approval of the Tentative Agreement with Food Service Staff and Southgate Schools. Supported by Dr. Pomponio.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

**ADMINISTRATION**

SUPERINTENDENT

SHARON IRVINE

**CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Robert Pawlowski- Wished the Titans good luck this Friday as well as for the Homecoming Game.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

DIRECTOR

BARBARA WILSON, CFO

Billie Schultz- Asked the Board for a breakdown of what the CARES Act and Esser I, II, and III funds have been spent on. Requested funds be spent on ventilation and AC. Expressed concern with children wearing masks all day, stating it's not healthy. She is pleased with the mental health programs that have been rolled out in the schools.

CURRICULUM/FEDERAL

PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

DR. MICHELLE BAKER-

HERRING

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**

Ms. Irvine encouraged attendance at the Homecoming festivities-parade, game and is hoping for a large turnout. The October Newsletter will be out next week. A breakdown of Esser fund spending will be included. Mask wearing-we are still under Wayne County's emergency order. The County will determine our direction on the mask mandate.

## FINANCE UPDATE

No report

## CONSENT

2021/22-30 A motion was made by Dr. Pomponio the Board approve the Minutes from September 14, 2021 Closed Session and Regular Meeting and the HR Update. Supported by Mr. Sage.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

## ACTION

1. **Approval of the Tentative Agreement with Food Service Staff and Southgate Schools:** Ms. Irvine informed the Board that an agreement has been reached and ratified by the Food Service yesterday.

2021/22-31 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Craig, the Board approve the Tentative Agreement with Food Service Staff and Southgate Community School District September 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

## EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES

None

## INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Pomponio- 'It is great to see all of the school spirit throughout the district. The clubs are active and students are preparing for Powder Puff and Homecoming. The students are working hard and showing their sportsmanship throughout the area in Soccer, Golf, Football, Volleyball, Swimming, Cross-Country, Band, and others. You are making us proud! I am so amazed at how dedicated our students are when I see the band practicing in the parking lot in the rain for hours. You all are awesome!

I was in Lansing for a couple days last week for governmental relations and updates at the MASB Directors meeting. It appears that the Department of Education will be funding board training in the near future. I will keep you posted!

## CLOSED SESSION

2021/22-32 It was moved by Mr. Craig supported by Mr. Sage, the board enter into closed session at 7:15 p.m.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

Collective Bargaining-Board members discussed collective bargaining agreements.

2021/22-33 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Sage the Board exit closed session at 8:13 p.m.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

**ADJOURNMENT**

2021/22-34 It was moved by Mr. Craig supported by Dr. Pomponio, the Board adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Freitas, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

NO:

*Respectfully submitted by: Theresa Grzechowski*

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Dr. Darlene Pomponio-Secretary  
Board of Education

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