



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

**BOARD OF
EDUCATION**

PRESIDENT
JASON CRAIG

DATE: Tuesday, February 28, 2022 7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage

VICE PRESIDENT
TIMOTHY O. ESTHEIMER

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Freitas,

SECRETARY
DR. DARLENE L. POMPONIO

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Irvine, Wilson

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Mr. Craig read the District Mission and Vision Statements.

TREASURER
RICK LAMOS

REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

TRUSTEES
NEIL J. FREITAS
ANDREW A. GREEN
SHAWN SAGE

2021/22-101 Moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Mr. Estheimer the agenda be revised to add Action Item #6 Overnight Field Trip of the Winter Percussion as presented.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

ADMINISTRATION

SUPERINTENDENT
SHARON IRVINE

PRESENTATIONS

1 Beacon Therapy Dog Program: Ms. Doctor-Miller, Principal of Beacon Day Treatment, gave the Board a presentation about a plan for a Therapy Dog Program at Beacon. Beacon supports and services 27 districts throughout Wayne County. The students come with various disabilities, different areas of support that is needed. A therapy dog would help students who are dealing with depression, social isolation or anxiety. Their presence can decrease anxiety, increase, moods and just help with physical well-being of students overall.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE
DIRECTOR
BARBARA WILSON, CFO

Ms. Doctor has been in touch with Green Acres Labradors in Highland Michigan. Two dogs have been identified as being a good fit for our program. The dogs are in training now, training takes 14 to 18 months. Staff will also be provided training. The dog would be transitioned to our program by coming once a week and increasing that time until they are released to us. Staff will have the opportunity to apply to become the host family. They would be the primary handler and will be vetted to be sure they are dedicated to Beacon and willing to take on that responsibility as well as someone with flexibility in their schedule so they can do the walkthroughs and class visits. There will also be a secondary handler so they can step in and provide support to the primary handlers schedule.

CURRICULUM/FEDERAL
PROGRAMS DIRECTOR
DR. MICHELLE BAKER-
HERRING

The company guarantees the dog. If something didn't work out, another dog would be provided. Total cost \$11,750; includes the dog, training, care and expenses, bed, crate, food, leash, vest and collar. Budgeting continued expenses could come from sponsorships. Discussion: training, host family, daily schedule for the dog/staff member during the school day.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Robert Pawlowski- Addressed the Board about virtual students having access to the libraries in our schools. He also announced his intention to run for the Board of Education in November.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Ms. Irvine congratulated the sports teams that made it to states; wrestling and cheerleading. She congratulated all of the 1st semester Honor Roll students. Atlas students that earned Honor Roll will be acknowledged. The Board was invited to the Honor Roll Breakfast at DMS on Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. Freshman and 6th grade orientation will take place Thursday, March 3, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

CONSENT

2021/22-102 Moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Green, the Board approve the minutes from February 8, 2022 Closed Session, February 8, 2022 Regular Meeting and HR Update.

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

NO:

ACTION

1. Approval of the Purchase of the Fanuc Robot Certification Cart: Mr. Ibegbu, instructor for Mechatronics, asked for the Board's assistance with the purchase of "The FANUC Fenceless ER-4iA R 30iB Mate Plus controller CERT Cart", which will be used to prepare our Mechatronics students Fanuc Robot programming and troubleshooting. In addition to possibly preparing them for the FANUC Robot Level 1 certification.

The Industry Value of the Advanced CERT Software Configuration, delivery and installation is \$43,200. The Skilled Trades initiative Equipment Funding Grant, applied through DCTC will be covering the cost of the equipment, less \$7,671 (Cost of shipping and add-on of Fenceless IRVision 2D Guidance Hardware and Software Vision Package, and remaining balance from the grant). The remaining balance would come out of the yearly Mechatronics Budget supplied by the State. Discussion: the Fanuc Co., warranties and the funding for this machine.

2021/22-103 Moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Sage, the Board approve the purchase of The Fanuc Robot Certification Cart as presented.

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

NO:

2. Approval of the FRAP Learning Center Lathe Install: Mr. Ibegbu addressed the Board about two Haas CNC lathes in the Mechatronics program that are inoperable. They require a reworking of electrical feeds and compressed air drops in their learning center at the Ford Flat Rock Assembly Plant, where these classes are housed. The plant only allows their approved companies to perform any work that is needed, thus getting multiple quotes is unattainable. This work would be done by Rudolph Libbe Inc.

Two options were presented to the program. One costs \$18,876.45; with this option, there is no guarantee the existing power panel will supply enough amperage when most of the classroom equipment is operating and likely to trip breakers. Option two costs \$35,300.95 and will provide a high electrical demand solution allowing all equipment to operate simultaneously. This would not be an additional cost incurred by the district. Our Mechatronics program via Wayne RESA and DCTC has recently received a 61 b grant from the State of Michigan, and this grant will more than cover the cost of this work. Option two is recommended.

2021/22-104 Moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Green, the Board approve the Flat Rock Assembly Plant Learning Center Lathe Install for \$35,300.95.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

3. Approval of the Copier RFP Award: Ms. Wilson presented the Board with the results of the RFP for District Copiers. Southgate Schools currently has 17 Canon copiers that were leased 66 months ago. They have become very inefficient and require replacement. Our current process is to lease the machines for a period of 60 months with a municipal lease. This means the copiers become property of the District at the end of the lease.

A Request for Bid was sent in December to three companies that are quoting Sourcewell pricing (consortium rates). Copier companies were listed on the MSBO website, as Sourcewell approved vendors. The three companies contacted for bids are Marco, UTEC and Toshiba.

The specifications we requested are 17 black and white 50 page per minute copiers with two paper drawers and a by-pass tray. The machines must be multi-functional with print, scan and fax ability. We are ordering two additional black and white machines for new offices (Central Enrollment and Maintenance). We also requested two color 50 page per minute color copiers with four paper drawers and a by-pass tray. Again the machines must be multi-functional with print, scan and fax ability.

Ms. Wilson met with the Director of Technology, the Director of Facilities and our Benefits Coordinator for input. It was unanimous to recommend UTEC's bid. Their total cost is \$4,136.40 higher over the life of the lease than Toshiba, but cost was not the only driving factor. Some of the other factors we considered are past business relationship with UTEC, faster black and white copiers than Toshiba for minimal cost. Toshiba is bidding on older machines (mfg. date 2019) (UTEC- Sept. 2020 and January 2022) and the news that Toshiba, as a company, has sold part of their business with the sale being completed next month. So there is a bit of uncertainty on how this will impact Southgate Schools. It is being recommended that the Board award the bid to UTEC at a total lease price of \$79,759.20 over 60 months. Discussion: selling the old machines, possible grant funding, servicing of machines.

2021/22-105 Moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Sage, the Board award the copier RFP to UTEC for the total lease of \$79,759.20 over 60 months as presented.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

4. Approval of Anderson High School Branding Bid Package 6: Mr. Gary Kent-PMC presented the Bid Package 6 Award Recommendation. The package for the Athletic Field Entrance from the 2020 Bond selection process, budget and scope of work was reviewed. RFP documents were formally issued on October 13, 2021. Sealed electronic bid proposals were received and publicly opened. These proposals were reviewed to determine the budget implications. Post-bid scope review meetings were conducted from January 17, 2022 to January 20, 2022 and were attended by various members of the Steering Committee.

Upon completion of the interviews, and after subsequent discussions, The Project Team is recommending Baker Construction, Duke and Duke and Detroit Spectrum for this project, pending review of the terms by District legal counsel. Total project award amount for Banding Bid Package 6 is \$78,620.00. Discussion: Contingency, warranties and the stencil.

2021/22-106 Moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Lamos, the Board award the Athletic Field Entrance Bid Package in the amount of \$78,620.00 as presented.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

5. Approval of Replacement Digital Press: Ms. Ann Marie Barnard requested the Board to approve the purchase of a replacement digital press. The press is used for both classroom projects such as graduation invites, spiral-bound calendars as well as Southgate Community School District's design/print jobs such as business cards, postcards, play booklets, tickets and graduation programs. The current press is over 6 years old and is not providing the quality we would need moving forward.

Three bids from Ricoh, Cannon and Konica Minolta. The Ricoh Pro C5300 fit the classroom and district printing needs the best. In addition, Ricoh is currently one of the top brands in the industry so students would be learning on equipment that is an industry standard. Ms. Barnard is also working with Ricoh on implementing their new advance training modules that will expand student's knowledge of the printing industry along with a new certification program that is now available that will help students further gain employment in the design and or printing industry.

The purchase price of the Rich Pro C5300 is \$24,987.00 and includes delivery, installation and training. The service/maintenance pricing is locked for 60 months and will include no monthly base charge. The billing monthly will be or actual usage only through a single click charge (13x19, single sided) and includes service, all parts and labor, and supplies including staples. The click charge will be .033 for color and .008 for black and white.

DCTC will be bearing the final cost of the Ricoh C5300.

2021/22-107 Moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Green, the Board approve the replacement of the digital press in the amount of \$24,987.00 as presented.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

6. Approval of the Overnight Field Trip for Winter Percussion: Ms. Irvine presented the request for the approval of the field trips for Winter Drumline for Regional and World Championships. Each year the Southgate Anderson Winter Drumline participates in one regional competition out of state and competes at WGI World Championships. Indianapolis Regionals take place at Franklin Central High School March 4-6, 2022. WGI World Championships will take place in Dayton Ohio April 20-22, 2022. Expenses for these trips are funded entirely by the Southgate Ban Boosters' fundraising efforts and student participation fees. Board approval is being sought so students can attend these events.

2021/22-108 Moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Estheimer, the Board approve the Overnight Field Trip for Winter Percussion as presented.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES

None

INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Green commented on all of the great things going on in the District. We are moving in the right direction. It is a credit to the Board, the community and the teachers.

Mr. Sage thanked Ms. Irvine, administration and teachers for putting students first and recognizing them.

Mr. Lamos commented that we are working to build a process as opposed to attacking and hearing about problems as they come running at you. With the hope that the outcome of all the effort will be a more deliberate approach to managing our business here in the district. He is proud to be a part of this board.

Dr. Pomponio was asked to judge the Robotics Competition in Belleville on March 25 and 26th. She is very proud of all of our Titans and proud to be a part of this.

ADJOURNMENT

2021/22-109 Moved by Mr. Estheimer supported by Mr. Sage the Board adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

YES: Craig, Estheimer, Green, Lamos, Pomponio, Sage
NO:

Respectfully submitted by: Theresa Grzechowski

Dr. Darlene Pomponio-Secretary
Board of Education

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