



MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024
7:00 PM

Present: Bird/Clark/Collins/Polverento/Stoliker/Wawrzynski
Absent with notice: Wheeler
Staff: Malley/Lindbert/Jensen/Lerch/Hatch/North/Dobson/Fletcher/Weaver/McDonald
Guests: J. Kessner, P. McPhee, T. Geiersbach, R. Fritz

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Music Programs

Superintendent Malley reported we have several music programs coming up in December. The community can look forward to enjoying programs this month at our Middle School, High School, Murphy and Ralya.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Data Analysis Update - Elementary Schools (Attachment A)

Erin North and Kevin Hatch, elementary principals, reported on elementary fall data. Mrs. North reported Acadience Data has been used for twelve years and this data helps drive interventions for students. Mr. Hatch reported on elementary beginning of the year NWEA scores and shared these assessments are done exclusively online using Chromebooks, that this is an adaptive test adapting individually to the student being assessed. Board of Education members posed questions regarding the results and how the results compare to previous years.

2. Out-of-State Field Trip - Students to the Art Institute of Chicago (Attachment B)

Kaylee Fletcher and Matt McDonald shared their request for an out-of-state field trip to the Art Institute of Chicago. These experiences inspire and give the students an incredible opportunity to see works of art in person. Board members inquired about how many students will attend, what sort of financial support is available, and how many chaperones will be attending. This request will be in the consent agenda at the January 13, 2025, meeting.

3. First Reading of Thrun Policies Series 1000

The Policy and Personnel Chairperson, Tracy Collins, presented a first reading of the Thrun board policies as listed below:

PO 1101 - General Policy Statement

PO 1201 - Mission Statement

PO 1301 - Creation, Amendment and Posting of Policies

PO 1401 - Definitions

The items were reviewed and procedures going forward were discussed among board members.

V. CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Five Minute Time Limit)

Board Correspondence

President Bird shared no correspondence was received as reported by Secretary Wheeler.

Comments from the Public

The following individuals presented a public comment: Kessner/McPhee/Geiersbach

VI. BOARD REPORTS

1. Policy/Personnel Board Report

Vice President Collins reported that Mr. Ferguson, High School Athletic Director, and Emilie Weaver, Middle School Athletic Director, spoke about athletics and equity in sports. Stephanie Horwath shared about the Great Start Readiness Program, a preschool program providing free preschool to 3 and 4 year olds. The committee also began reviewing the 1000 series board policies.

2. Finance/Facilities Board Report

Trustee Wawrzynski reported that their meeting also reviewed equity in sports with the athletic department and learned about the Great Start Readiness Program.

3. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Report

Superintendent Malley reported the DEI leadership team met last week. Sub-Committees met to discuss supporting events such as registration days and Kindergarden round-up. The Retention Committee is interested in expanding recruitment across the state and the Bias Committee is reviewing financial barriers to students and learning about fees hidden in plain site. The group as a whole is trying to identify obstacles and make meaningful strides about inclusivity for staff, students and families.

4. Items from Board Members

Trustee Polverento thanked Cammy Wheeler for her 10 years of service to the Board of Education. President Bird reiterated that sentiment and shared that we are lucky to have worked with Cammy for so long. She will be missed.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI, SECONDED BY STOLIKER TO APPROVE:

1. THE NOVEMBER 25, 2024, MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, AS PRESENTED.
2. THE RECOMMENDED PROPOSED NEW, REVISED, AND RESCINDED BOARD POLICIES, AS PRESENTED.
3. 2024 SUMMER TAX CERTIFICATION NOTICE, AS PRESENTED.
4. THE DECEMBER 3, 2024, POLICY/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, AS PRESENTED.
5. THE DECEMBER 5, 2024, FINANCE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES, AS PRESENTED.

Motion carried. Unanimous vote: 6-0

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. A Policy/Personnel Committee Meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2025, at 7:45 AM in the Administration Building.
2. A Finance/Facilities Committee Meeting is schedule for January 9, 2025, at 8:00 AM in the Administration Building.
3. The next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting will be held on January 13, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the Haslett Administration Building.

IX. STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING

MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY CLARK TO MOVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:58 PM PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(1)(b) OF THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT AND UPON REQUEST OF THE STUDENT'S PARENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING A HEARING TO CONSIDER THE DISCIPLINE OF A STUDENT WHOSE IDENTITY IS KNOWN TO THE BOARD.

Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 6-0 (Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays)

MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY COLLINS TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:59 PM.

Motion carried. Unanimous vote: 6-0

MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI, SECONDED BY POLVERENTO TO APPOINT ATTORNEY JESSICA MCNAMARA OF THE THRUN LAW FIRM, P.C., TO SERVE AS THE BOARD'S HEARING OFFICER FOR TONIGHT'S STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING.

Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 6-0

MOTION BY COLLINS, SECONDED BY STOLIKER TO MOVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:00 PM PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(1)(b) OF THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT AND UPON REQUEST OF THE STUDENT'S PARENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING A HEARING TO CONSIDER THE DISCIPLINE OF A STUDENT WHOSE IDENTITY IS KNOWN TO THE BOARD.

Motion carried. Unanimous Vote: 6-0 (Roll Call Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays)

MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY STOLIKER TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 9:09 PM.

Motion carried. Unanimous vote: 6-0

X. **ACTION ITEM**

MOTION BY WAWRZYNSKI, SECONDED BY STOLIKER TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION READ BY HEARING OFFICER JESSICA MCNAMARA TO CONTINUE SUSPENSION OF A HASLETT MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT, SAID STUDENT MAY RETURN JANUARY 6, 2025, ONLY IF ALL CRITERIA PRESENTED IS MET.

Motion carried. 4 ayes - 2 nays (Roll Call Vote: Bird/Aye, Collins/Nay, Clark/Nay, Wawzynski/Aye, Polverento/Aye, Stoliker/Aye)

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY POLVERENTO, SECONDED BY COLLINS TO ADJOURN AT 9:16 PM.

Motion carried. Unanimous vote: 6-0

Date Approved _____

Board Secretary _____

(S. Lerch, Recorder)