

Rochester Board of Education
Board Governance Committee
November 28, 2006
Minutes

Attendance:

Commissioners Henley and Elliott, and Powell; Board Staff Ms. Lee and Ms. Dunsmoor. (Commissioner Powell arrived at 6:10 p.m.)

Chairman Henley convened the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

Agenda Item 1: Approve September Committee Minutes

Motion to approve the August minutes by Commissioner Elliott, second by Chairman Henley. Adopted 2-0 with Commissioner Powell absent.

Agenda Item 2: Personnel Committee

Chairman Henley opened the discussion by asking if the committee members had reviewed the mission and vision statements that were presented at the September meeting by Commissioner Elliott. Commissioner Elliott stated that the statements had been reviewed and she would like to recommend that the policy be forwarded to the Policy Committee for further discussion.

ACTION: Chairman Henley said that he would recommend that the discussion of the Personnel Committee be referred to the Policy Committee for further review and action.

Other Discussion Items

Discussion moved to Board representation on local and national organizations focusing on local, state, and federal legislation and regulation. The Committee agreed that the Board should seek membership with other organizations and take advantage of serving on committees of organizations such as MCSBA that educate members on legislative, labor relations, reform, technology, and other educational issues.

ACTION: Ms. Lee will forward a list of current member organizations and the Board members that serve as liaisons to them.

Agenda Item 3: Board Self Evaluation

Chairman Henley opened the discussion by asking if the Committee was prepared to advance the 2005-06 Board of Education Self-Evaluation Tool to the full Board for adoption. The tool was originally presented at the September meeting; it is administered by the Board Clerk for the purpose providing Board members with information about their performance and identifying areas that require improvement or enhancement to strengthen the Board and its operation. Chairman Henley asked that the 2005-06 Board of Education Self-Evaluation Tool be used for the 2006-07 evaluation and set as a benchmark.

ACTION: Ms. Dunsmoor will distribute the tool to the full Board for completion by Thursday, December 21, 2006.

Agenda Item 4: Next Meeting

The committee will schedule the next meeting at a later date.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Powell, second by Chairman Henley. Adopted 3-0 at 6:35 p.m.