

Rochester Board of Education
Board Governance Committee
August 1, 2006
Minutes

Attendance:

Commissioners Henley, Elliott, and Powell; Board Staff Ms. Lee and Ms. Dunsmoor

Chairman Henley convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed Special Assistant Shanai Lee.

Agenda Item 1: Personnel Committee

Chairman Henley said he wanted to discuss the need to reinstate the Personnel Committee. He asked Commissioner Elliott to open the discussion.

Commissioner Elliott said she is a proponent of the Board performing due diligence and putting checks and balances in place for the Board and the District. She said her concern is that the personnel items that come before the Board at Business Meeting do not have the opportunity for adequate questioning. The Personnel Committee would provide members with the opportunity to ask questions at the committee level versus at the Business Meeting. Chairman Henley asked Commissioner Elliott to draft a vision statement for the proposed Personnel Committee.

Discussion moved to changing the date of the Business Meeting. Commissioner Powell said the Policy Committee had discussed changing the date of the Business Meeting in May but it was not reflected as an agenda item for the June Business Meeting. Commissioner Elliott suggested that Chairman Henley interact with Commissioner Brennan to address concerns with changing the date of the Business Meeting. Chairman Henley said he will work with Commissioner Brennan to address concerns with changing the date of the Business Meeting.

ACTION: Commissioner Elliott will draft a vision statement for the proposed personnel committee for the September meeting.

ACTION: Chairman Henley will address changing the date of the Business Meeting with Commissioner Brennan.

Agenda Item 2: Superintendent's Evaluation Tool

Chairman Henley called for a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to the Superintendent's Evaluation Tool. Made by Commissioner Powell, Seconded by Commissioner Elliott. Adopted 3-0 at 6:40 p.m.

Executive Session convened at 6:40 p.m.

Reconvened in regular session at 7:35 p.m.

Next Meeting:

Governance will continue the discussion of the Superintendent's Evaluation Tool at its next meeting tentatively scheduled for August 8, 2006.

Motion to adjourn by Commission Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 3-0 at 7:40 p.m.