REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1 September 11, 2017

Regular Meeting 9/11/2017

A Regular meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held September 11, 2017, at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 17715 Brady Street, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Kurland called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

Call to Order

Present: Doby, Graham, Gubachy, Kurland, and Pridemore (Late 7:38 PM)

Absent: Caloia, Isabell

Roll Call

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of Allegiance

None.

Call to the Audience on Agenda Items

President Kurland asked everyone to please place their cell phones on silent or vibrate.

President's Remarks

A moment of silence was held in honor of the victims of 9/11, the people suffering from the hurricanes, and the wildfires in the West.

Superintendent Shivers gave congratulations to staff and administration for a great first week of school. She mentioned that the Fall Partnership Council Luncheon is Wednesday, September 27, 2017, 11:30 AM at the Township Library. She also mentioned that RU's Homecoming Football Game is Friday, September 29, 2017, against Annapolis.

Superintendent's Remarks

It was moved by Member Doby, seconded by Member Graham to adopt the agenda of September 11, 2017, Regular Board Meeting as presented.

Adoption of Agenda as Presented

Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion: Carried

None. Presentations

None. Board Secretary

Communications

Office of Business Services Communications

Winston Property
Update

Assistant Supt. McIntyre said per prior directions from the Board, a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requesting copies of communications between Redford Union School District and Detroit Public Schools (DPS) was sent to DPS. DPS responded to the FOIA. No new information was produced. Per DPS, no such documentation exists.

Assist Supt. McIntyre consulted with Attorney George Butler on the response from DPS.

RU Attorney George Butler, Dickerson Wright, attended a foreclosure forfeiture court hearing on September 6, 2017, that was to determine if the church had the right to remain in the property because they are facing foreclosure.

Attorney Butler gave RU three options: 1) challenge the title via Quiet Title Action; 2) Agree to deed the title over to DPS; 3) Or do nothing and wait to see if DPS tries to develop, sale the property.

Supt. Shivers suggested Assist Supt. McIntyre finds out who requested the appraisal on the Winston property in 2009.

Member Doby said she would like to continue to pursue who owns the property. She also suggested that Assistant Supt McIntyre contact Loveland Technologies and/or Data Driven Detroit for parcel information.

Questions were asked and answered. Discussion ensued.

Regarding the Winston Property, going forward the board agreed to receive "Actionable Information" on the Board Agenda and informational kind of things in the Supt's Friday Updates.

Assistant Supt. McIntyre said that the District had been approved for 2017-2018 Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) which allows all students to eat free district-wide.

Assistant Supt. McIntyre said the 2017 Summer School Program they severed 884 breakfasts and last year they served 235. The number of lunches serviced was 3,456, and last year they served 2,746. It was a 46% increase compared to last summer. He would like to expand and continue the program next year for the community.

Trustee Pridemore said she would like for the district to do a Community Food Distribution. Boxes of food through Gleaners.

Vice President Gubachy said that there are two programs through Gleaners: Backpack Program and Mobile Food Program that is ran out of Jane Addams School, South Redford. It is available to all township residents.

Food Service Update

It was suggested that there be communication with South Redford to see if they are getting RU students/residents at the mobile food program.

It was also suggested to have a conversation with Sue Pherson of Interfaith Relief about a partnership.

Assistant Supt. McIntyre said that MacGowan was approved for the fresh fruit and vegetable program.

Assistant Supt. of Human Resources Communication

Assistant Supt Ward said that he had spoken with Mr. Palka (NEOLA) and that Ms. Palka will be attending the Special Board Meeting on September 25, 2017, at 6:00 PM.

NEOLA – Board Policy/Guidelines Information

Assistant Supt. Ward said he would provide information to the board and that he had also asked both representatives for pricing information.

None

Administrative Committee Reports

It was moved by Member Pridemore, seconded by Member Doby, to approve the consent agenda items as amended. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

Consent Agenda Amended

Waive the reading and approve August 21, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education, as presented.

Regular Meeting minutes of August 21, 2017, as presented

Waive the reading and approve August 28, 2017, Special Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education, as amended.

Special Meeting minutes of August 28, 2017, as amended

Recommend payment of \$1,160,458.87 for checks dated 8/4/2017 to 9/1/2017.

Disposition of Checks September 1, 2017

Approve electronic transfers for the month of August 2017 in the amount of \$1,457,529.17.

Electronic Transfers August 2017

Approve NEW HIRES: CERTIFIED: requests as listed below:

- 1. Dawn Townsend/2nd grade Teacher/Beech/Effective 8/30/17
- 2. Philip Pacheco/Computer Teacher/Beech/Effective 8/30/17

New Hires: Certified Dawn Townsend Philip Pacheco

Christina Thomas

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3. Frances Borg/Art Teacher/MacGowan/Effective 8/30/17	Frances Borg
4. Stacy Brooks/Consumer Science Teacher/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17	Stacy Brooks Michelle Lewandowski
5. Michelle Lewandowski/HI Teacher/Beech/Effective 8/30/17	
6. Joe DeMarsh/ASD Teacher/Hilbert/Effective 8/30/17	Joe DeMarsh
7. Sana Haq/Science Teacher/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17	Sana Haq
8. Claudia Rushlow/Reading Specialist/EDT/Effective 8/30/17	Claudia Rushlow
9. Murcy Jones/3rd-grade Teacher/Beech/Effective 8/30/17	Murcy Jones
10. Meredith Burke/Speech & Language/Beck/Effective 8/30/17	Meredith Burke
11. Yolanda Brown-Spidell/Veritas Teacher/Keeler/Effective 8/30/17	Yolanda Brown-Spidell
Approve NEW HIRES: NON-CERTIFIED: requests as listed below:	New Hire-Non Certified
Ashley Miller/Educational Assistant/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17	Ashley Miller
Baxtor Barrowcliff/Educational Assistant/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17	Baxtor Barrowcliff
3. Stefanie VanAlstyne/Educational Assistant/Hilbert/Effective 8/30/17	Stefanie VanAlstyne
4. Gary Wojar/Educational Assistant/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17	Gary Wojar
Brenda Lauback/ Educational Assistant/Beech/Effective 8/30/17	Brenda Lauback
Cecelia Reed/Educational Assistant/Hilbert/Effective 8/30/17	Cecelia Reed
7. Kim Campbell/Educational Assistant/ HI Program/Beech/Effective 8/30/17	Kim Campbell
8. Rosalind Grayson/Academic Teaching Assistant/Beech/Effective 9/5/17	Rosalind Grayson
Approve NEW HIRE: NON-AFFILIATED: request as listed below:	New Hire-Non-Affiliated
 Ian Iler/Behavior Intervention Coordinator/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17 	lan ller
Approve LEAVE REQUESTS: as listed below:	Leave Requests
 Shelley Albright/Educational Assistant/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17 	Shelley Albright
2. Caroline Snyder/Teacher/RUHS/Effective 8/30/17	Caroline Snyder
Approve SEPARATIONS: requests as listed below:	Separations
 Nicole Lewandowski/Educational Assistant/Resignation/Effective 8/21/17 	Nicole Lewandowski
2. Rob Curtiss/Science/RUHS/Effective 8/22/17	Rob Curtiss
3. Diane de Mollevan/Educational Assistant/Beech/Effective 8/25/17	Diane de Mollevan
4. Monesha MacKenzie/Teacher/Beech/Effective 8/28/17	Monesha MacKenzie
Approve SHARED-TIME TEACHERS NEW HIRES (SES GROUP): requests as listed below:	Share-Time Teachers
	New Hires (SES Group)
1. Laura Hayden/Austin High School/Effective 8/14/17	Laura Hayden
2. Daniel Langolf/Austin High School/Effective 8/14/17	Daniel Langolf
3. Mary Diehl//Austin High School/Effective 8/14/17	Mary Diehl
4. Katherine Howell/Austin High School/Effective 8/14/17	Katherine Howell
5. Debra Krussman/Regina High School /Effective 8/15/17	Debra Krussman
6. Pamela Olejniczak/Austin High School/Teacher/Effective 8/14/17	Pamela Olejniczak
7. Michele Crachiolo/St. Isaac/Teacher/Effective 9/5/17	Michele Crachiolo
8. James Baker/Austin High School/Teacher/Effective 8/14/17	James Baker
Approve SHARED-TIME TEACHERS RESIGNATIONS (SES GROUP): requests as listed below:	Share-Time Teachers
	Resignations (SES
	Group)
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Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carried

1. Christina Thomas/Shared-time Teacher/Effective 8/17/17

Academic Highlights:

The Academic Coordinator Beatrice Benjamin presented the Board with the State Assessment Results.

State Assessment Results

There were questions and answers.

The board requested that the Data Information be added to the Regular Board Agenda going forward.

A Board Data Retreat was scheduled for October 23, 2017, at 4:30 PM, at the Board Office and the Special Board meeting, will be at 6:00 PM.

Action Items

It was moved by Member Gubachy, seconded by Member Doby that the Board of Education, have the 1st reading of the Student Code of Conduct.

Student Code of Conduct 1st Reading as Amended

A number of questions were asked, and discussion ensued about the Restorative Practices section.

Superintendent Shivers said she would have Assistant Superintendent Ward check the attendance law. The board agreed that part of the attendance section needed to be redacted.

The motion was amended by Member Gubachy to have the 1st reading instead of the 2nd reading as amended by redacting page 3-4 under the Restorative Justice (Restorative Practices) section paragraph starting with the word "Further" through page 4 ending with the word "principal." Member Doby seconded the amendment.

Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carried as Amended

The Superintendent said that at the September 25, 2017, Special Board Meeting that they would bring forth clarification on the attendance piece.

It was moved by Member Doby, seconded by Member Graham, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Assistant Supt. Greg McIntyre, approve the District to move forward with the Mobotix camera solution, not to exceed \$605,000.

Questions were asked and answered. Discussion ensued.

There were comments and questions from Harry Kick (District Resident).

Member Doby requested comparative information.

Security Camera System Recommendation Tabled until September 25, 2017, Special Board Meeting.

A motion was moved by Member Doby and Seconded by Member Gubachy to table the Security Camera System Recommendation until September 25, 2017, Special Board Meeting.

Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carried

It was moved by Member Pridemore, seconded by Member Doby that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to waive the ineligibility for School of Choice students to be provided transportation on an individual basis upon application from a parent or guardian. This will allow for School of Choice students to receive limited transportation services when a hardship has been established.

School of Choice Transportation

Questions were asked and answered.

Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carried

It was moved by Member Gubachy, seconded by Member Graham that the Board of Education approve the motion to appoint Maureen Miller to the Redford Township District Library Board for a term ending June 30, 2021.

Redford Township District Library Board

ROLL CALL

S. Caloia: ABS; C. Doby: Abstained; T. Graham: Yes; L. Gubachy: Yes; P. Isabell: ABS;

J. Kurland: Yes; E. Pridemore: Yes

Yes: 4 No: 0 Motion: Carried

None. Items removed from Consent Agenda

None. Call to the Audience on Non-Agenda Items

There was a reminder of the RU's Football Game vs. Clarenceville on September 15, 2017, and there will be a special honoring for Jimmy Rollin (deceased) and his family at the game.

Board of Education Communication/ Discussion

There was a reminder of the Cognizance Dinner on September 15, 2017, at 4:30 PM, St. Robert Bellarmine Church Gym, Redford. The district reserved a table.

President Kurland mentioned that she attended a Michigan Department of Civil Rights Conference on Refugees and she also attended a seminar on LGBTQ students/policies. She will ask the presenter for the PowerPoint and share it with the board.

There was a reminder of Oktoberfest, September 22-23, 2017.

Monday, September 25, 2017 – Special Meeting – 6:00 PM Board of Education Administrative Office, 17715 Brady Street, Redford, MI 48240 **Future Meetings Dates**

Monday, October 9, 2017 – Regular Meeting – 7:30 PM

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Monday, October 23, 2017 – Board Retreat – 4:30 PM Board of Education Administrative Office, 17715 Brady Street, Redford, MI 48240

Monday, October 23, 2017 – Special Meeting – 6:00 PM Board of Education Administrative Office, 17715 Brady Street, Redford, MI 48240

It was moved by Member Gubachy, seconded by Member Graham to adjourn the Meeting at 9:39 PM.

Adjournment

Yes: 5 No: 0. Motion: Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia J. Isabell,
Secretary
Redford Union Schools Board of Education