



Board of Education
October 12, 2009
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BECC Building, Board Room
125 S. Church Street
Brighton MI 48116

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This is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda item "Public Participation."

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Anderson at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Bill Anderson, Joe Carney, Jay Krause, Cheryl Leach, Beth Minert, Joyce Powers and Greg Rassel. Also present: Superintendent Gray; Assistant Superintendents Gisting, Schwager and Surrey; Attorney Frank Mancuso; staff; press; and visitors.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Reports/Recognition

High School students and staff were recognized as "Shining Stars" for planning and coordinating the 2009 Homecoming events.

IV. Public Participation

Keith Sargent addressed the Board concerning the snow removal bid process.

V. Board Reports/Correspondence

Trustee Carney addressed the Board concerning the state budget situation and equitable funding for K-12 students. He asked that resource links be added to the district's web page regarding school funding.

VI. For Action

- A. Consent Agenda, Minutes of September 28, 2009/Bills of October 1, 2009 - Moved by Leach, supported by Minert to approve the consent agenda with the correction on the date of the bills to October 1, 2009. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- B. Policies - Moved by Rassel, supported by Minert to adopt Policies 5114- Foreign Exchange Students, 5320 - Immunization, 5330 - Use of Medications, 5460 - Graduation Requirements, 5517 - Harassment of Students, 5517.01 - Bullying and other Aggressive Behavior Toward Students, 5605 - Suspension/Expulsion of Students with Disabilities, and 5610 - Suspension and Expulsion. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- C. Staff Recall - Moved by Carney, supported by Leach to recall Melissa Caldwell to a .4 FTE position at Scranton Middle School as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- D. New Hires - Moved by Krause, supported by Rassel to approve the employment of Becky Lucas at 1.0 FTE Hilton Special Education, Amanda Bowren as .2 FTE Scranton Language Arts, and Scott Matousek as .4 FTE Scranton Social Studies as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- E. Acceptance of Donation - Moved by Leach, supported by Minert to accept the \$1400 donation from the 2009 Senior All Night Party Committee to be used by the High School Media Center for the purchase of technology with appreciation. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

VII. For Future Action

- A. Policies 5530 - Drug Prevention, 5532 - Performance Enhancing Drugs/Compounds, 5540 - Interrogation of Students, and 5630.01 - Student Seclusion and Restraint were presented for a first reading.
- These policies will be placed on the October 26 agenda for Board adoption.
- B. Curriculum Coordinators - Dr. Surrey withdrew the proposal to fund additional curriculum coordinator positions in the amount of \$26,000. The proposal will stand as originally approved and budgeted at \$80,000.
- C. Audit Report - Dr. Gisting reported that the audit is complete; however, there are some journal entry adjustments to the General Fund and the Capital Projects Fund.

VIII. For Information

- A. Finance - no report.
- B. Human Resources - Mr. Schwager reported that the recall of paraprofessional staff will impact the budget by \$140,436.00. A letter will be prepared for the Board President's signature regarding the Level 3 Grievance Hearing held on September 28, 2009.
- C. Instruction/Curriculum - Dr. Surrey reported that the revisions for the re-imagining grant will be submitted by Friday, October 16, 2009. Twenty school districts in the state will be selected to receive this grant.

IX. Work Session

Dr. Gray discussed the following topics with the Board:

- Update on enrollment decline, 150 student decline projected for the 2009/10 budget. Enrollment decline after fourth Wednesday count is expected to exceed 350 students. The Alternative Education/Adult Education count is not completed at this time. Decline is due to a large senior class that graduated last year, a limited Schools of Choice Program, and families moving out of Brighton and the state.
- Deficit Elimination Plan which must be adopted by December and submitted to the state.
- Staffing efficiencies.
- May need to combine current elementary schools and re-purpose a K-4 building as an International Baccalaureate Academy.
- Adding K-12 foreign language and expanding educational offerings.
- Bond proposal for sinking fund (capital projects and athletic facilities) and technology needs.
- Contract services need to be considered.

Board discussion took place:

- Set up committee to look at sinking fund and technology bond
- Look at reorganizing schools
- Make decision on contracted services

- Unlimited Schools of Choice
- Increase Adult Education program
- Add AP selections
- Board would like calendar time line for ideas to be discussed, evaluated, implemented.
- Equitable funding
- Right sizing our schools

X. Closed Session

Moved by Leach, supported by Minert to enter closed session for the purpose of approving the September 28, 2009 closed minutes. Roll call vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Board entered closed session at 8:40 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 8:40 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:46 p.m.

Board entered open session at 8:48 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Date Approved:

Approved by:

William R. Anderson, President

Elizabeth Minert, Secretary

(Sheri Lohmiller, Recorder)