Brighton Area Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Monday, February 23, 2009 7 PM - BECC

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Recognition
- VI. Call to the Public
 - A. Comment Card

Time extended to provide individuals an opportunity to address the Board of Education. Time allotment is up to 30 minutes, individuals may speak for three minutes each. Individuals must identify themselves by name and address. The Board may hear issues, but is not required to answer questions or make statements and will refer most issues on to the Superintendent.

- VII. Old Business
- VIII. Consent Agenda
 - A. Bills of January 23-February 12, 2009
 - B. Minutes of February 9, 2009
- IX. New Business
 - A. Curriculum
 - B. Finance
 - 1. Signatories
 - C. Human Resources
 - 1. New Hire, Certified Staff
 - D. Other
 - 1. Selection of Superintendent Search Firm
 - 2. Minutes of February 11, 2009
- X. Communications and Reports
 - A. From Superintendent
 - B. From Board
 - C. Announcements
- XI. Work Session
 - A. Elementary Research Team Report and Recommendation

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 "Call to the Public."

Brighton Area Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Monday, February 9, 2009 7 PM - BECC

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Anderson at 7:01 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present: William Anderson, Joe Carney, Jay Krause, Cheryl Leach, Beth Minert, Joyce Powers and Greg Rassel.

Also present: Interim Superintendent Riutta, Interim Assistant Superintendent Moyer, Chief Financial Officer Michael Hubert, Attorney William McCririe, staff, press and visitors.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Powers, supported by Minert to accept the agenda as amended (add Sinking Fund Legislation Resolution as item X.B.3.). Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

V. Recognition

A. Shining Stars

Shining Stars were presented to Maureen Ray, Kim Ladd, Chuck Fuhst and Bob Kozlowski.

B. Elementary Readers' Workshop

Kris Valade, Chris Darkowski, Christina Mitte and Laurie Yokie presented on the district's Literacy Initiatives.

VI. Superintendent Search Presentation

A. MASB at 7:15 p.m., Gunnard Johnson

Mr. Johnson presented the MASB proposal for conducting the superintendent search. The costs associated with the MASB proposal would not exceed \$8500. Each Trustee was given a proposal booklet outlining the services that MASB would provide in the search process.

B. Michigan Leadership Institute at 8:30 p.m., Michael Wilmot

The Board will hear the Michigan Leadership proposal later on the agenda as Mr. Wilmot is expected around 8:30 p.m.

VII. Call to the Public

Betty Clohosey thanked Bob Kozlowski and Chuck Fuhst for maintaining the bus fleet in such good condition.

Shannon Daul and other high school students addressed the Board requesting that Spanish V be offered at the high school instead of taking the class through the dual enrollment option.

Sandy Daul asked that the Board consider the students' request to add a Spanish V class.

John Conely addressed the Board regarding the budget deficit.

VIII. Old Business

IX. Consent Agenda

A. Bills of January 17-22, 2009

Moved by Leach, supported by Powers to approve the bills as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

B. Minutes of January 26 and 27, 2009

Moved by Powers, supported by Krause to approve the January 26, 2009 minutes as corrected (Cheryl Leach in attendance) and to approve the January 27, 2009 minutes as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

X. New Business

A. Curriculum

1. French Club Trip Request, First Reading - Moved by Rassel, supported by Krause to approve the French Club trip request as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

B. Finance

1. 2008/2009 General Fund Budget Amendment - Due to changes in revenues and expenditures, the amendment to the 2008/2009 General Fund budget was presented for Board consideration.

The budget will have a \$3.4 million deficit. The district will voluntarily submit reports to the state addressing the deficit and plans to reduce the deficit. There will be another amendment submitted to the Board later in the year.

Moved by Leach, supported by Carney to amend the 2008/2009 General Fund Budget as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

2. Resolution, Cash Flow Borrowing - Due to the budget deficit and the schedule of the state aid payments to the local school districts, it is anticipated that the Brighton school district will need to participate in cash flow borrowing. The Cash Flow Borrowing Resolution was presented to the Board for consideration which

would be for an amount not to exceed \$9.2 million and include a maximum interest rate of 7%.

Moved by Rassel, supported by Carney to adopt the State Aid Operating Loan Resolution as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

3. Resolution, Sinking Fund Legislation - Trustee Carney presented a resolution for the Board's consideration concerning support of legislation that would increase types of purchases that sinking fund dollars could be used to support. It is understood that legislation regarding the use of sinking fund dollars will be reintroduced in the State House and Senate this session.

Board discussion took place regarding the resolution.

Moved by Carney, supported by Powers that the board of Education approve the Sinking Fund Resolution and further, that it be forwarded to our State Senator and Representatives. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

C. Human Resources

D. Other

XI. Superintendent Search

A. Michigan Leadership Institute, Presentation

Mr. Mike Wilmot gave an overview of the superintendent search proposal submitted by the Michigan Leadership Institute. The cost of the search would be \$6800 and would include all components discussed in the presentation and included in the packets distributed to the Trustees. This cost would exclude direct copy costs.

XII. Communications and Reports

A. From Superintendent

1. Mrs. Riutta indicated that she would reconvene the Budget Task Force that was convened in May 2008.

B. From Board

- Secretary Minert indicated that the Board Human Resources
 Committee met and discussed a preliminary superintendent search
 calendar. Please review the calendar and provide feedback to her.
- 2. Secretary Minert asked Mrs. Riutta for additional information/data concerning the Elementary Research Team's work i.e. redistricting

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plans, number of staff layoffs, re-utilization of the school that will be recommended to close, transportation, class sizes for the configuration, and the potential loss of Schools of Choice students and where would this revenue loss be assumed in the budget. Mrs. Riutta requested a copy of the email sent to President Anderson regarding this request.

3. Trustee Krause reported that the Choir Concert raised over \$4,000 toward the purchase of a piano for the High School vocal music program.

C. Announcements

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

| Date Approved: | |
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| Approved by: | |
| William R. Anderson, President | Elizabeth Minert, Secretary |
| | (Sheri Lohmiller, Recorder) |

VIII.



| TO: | Trustees, | Board o | of Education |
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FROM: Bonnie P. Riutta, Interim Superintendent of Schools

RE: Consent Agenda

DATE: February 19, 2009

The bills of January 23 through February 12, 2009 and the minutes of February 9, 2009 are presented for your consideration under the Consent Agenda.

| Motion | |
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| Moved by: Supported by: | |
| To approve the consent agenda as presented. | |
| Voice vote: Ayes Nays | |

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IX.B.1.



TO:

Trustees, Board of Education

FROM:

Bonnie P. Riutta, Interim Superintendent of Schools

RE:

Signatories

DATE:

Motion Moved by:

Nays

February 19, 2009

At the July 2008 Organizational meeting, the Board approved the Superintendent and Executive Director of Administrative Services as signatories for the following funds:

Certificates of Deposit
Savings Accounts
Imprest Fund
All Internal Accounts
Payroll/Accounts Payable Accounts
Money Market Accounts
Wire Transfer of Funds
Automated Cleaning House Transfer of Funds

It is my recommendation that the Signatories be reconsidered and that the Superintendent and/or Maria Bolen, Assistant Superintendent for Finance be named signatories for these accounts.

Supported by: That the Superintendent and/or Maria Bolen, Assistant Superintendent for Finance be designated signatories for the funds as presented. Voice vote: ____ Ayes

IX.C.1.



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| TO: | Trustees. | Board | ΟŤ | Education |

FROM: Bonnie P. Riutta, Interim Superintendent of Schools

RE: New Hire, Certified Staff

DATE: February 19, 2009

Attached is the resume and recommendation to hire Tracie Crawford at a .2 FTE Special Education teacher at Brighton High School. This position was created by the resignation of a former employee.

It is my recommendation that the Board approve the employment of Tracie Crawford as presented.

| Motion Moved by: Supported by: |
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| To approve the employment of Tracie Crawford as a .2 FTE Special Education teacher at Brighton High School. |
| Voice vote: Ayes Nays |



Memo

To: Bonnie Riutta, Interim Superintendent

From: Peggy Moyer, Interim Asst. Supt. Human Resources

Date: February 12, 2009

Re: Recommendation for New Teacher Hire

I present the following recommendations for the positions indicated below. Attached to this memorandum is the resume for this candidate. If there are any questions, I would be glad to discuss them at your convenience.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the appointments of the following teachers:

| Teacher | Building | Subject | Rationale | FTE | Step |
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| Tracie Crawford | BHS | Special Education | Resignation/Dean Bush | 0.2 | BA Step 1 |

I would like to have these items placed on the February 23, 2009 Board Agenda.

Attachment

Tracie L Crawford 418 Coleman St. Pinckney, MI 734-223-6925 tlc_tracie@yahoo.com

EDUCATION

South Lyon High School

Graduated 1995

Eastern Michigan University

- State of Michigan Certifications: (SA) Cognitive Impairment*, (CC) History, (BD)
 Speech
- Completed Undergraduate Baccalaureate Major: Communications and Theater Arts, Minor: History
- Continuing Education in Special Education Graduate Program

Graduate Special Education Student Teaching

Sept. 2008 - Nov. 2008

-Pathfinder Middle School

- Planned and taught lessons to 7th and 8th grade special education students
- Student population included students with autism, learning disabilities and cognitive impairments
- Lessons taught in math, reading and life skills
- Worked with a variety of reading programs including; Wilson Reading System, Edmark, Read Naturally and Talking to the Text
- Made accommodations and modifications to general education curriculum for students as needed
- Participated in IEP writing, evaluations and meetings
- Interacted with parents and discussed student progress

Undergraduate Student Teaching

Sept.

2005 - Dec. 2005

- Planned and taught lessons for a high school Interpersonal Communications course
- · Created curriculum based assessments for students
- . Learned and implemented classroom management techniques

EXPERIENCE

Job Coach

Aug. 2007 - Jan. 2008

Work Skills Corporation - Brighton and Willow Run

- Worked with adults with barriers to employment, teaching various job skills to help each client become a productive member of the community
- Worked with various enclave groups at multiple sites helping to teach skills and coach participants so they may be ready to find employment on their own
- Helped coach clients with more profound disabilities at the home office production operation helping clients do work for area automotive companies

April 2007 - June 2007

Long Term Substitute Teacher

Novi Community Schools - Novi High School

-Consumer Science

- Developed lesson plans that parallel the state and district curriculum
- Helped students with special needs by making accommodations or modifying lessons and assignments to suit each student's needs
- Filled out evaluations to be used on an IEP for students with special needs
- . Participated in an IEP meeting as the regular education teacher representative
- . Listened to student's feedback and ideas to help create plans for future lessons.

Building Substitute

Sept. 2006 - April 2007

Novi Community Schools - Novi High School

- Supervised and taught students grades 9-12 in a variety of subject areas when teacher was absent
- . Frequently filled in for special education teachers
- . Worked in the resource room, as a special education cooperating teacher
- Worked in the Learning Academy with students who have moderate to severe cognitive impairments
- Traveled with the Learning academy on Community Based Instruction
- Participated and helped supervise students in the Learning Academy to give a luncheon for building staff members.

SPECIAL INTERESTS

 Reading, Swimming, Scrapbooking, Walking, Spending time with my children.

AWARDS/HONORS

- High School: Co-Editor of the yearbook, Advertising Editor of the school newspaper, Co-Captain of the Pom Pon team.
- · Honor roll student

*Program Complete, Pending State Approval

. EMU: Dean's List for multiple semesters, member of Alpha Gamma Delta

| REFEI | RENCES | |
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| • | Derek Fries – Eastern Michigan University Professor/Advisor | (248) 941-1365 |
| • | Jeanne Fricke – Pathfinder Middle School Special Educator | (810) 225-5259 |
| • | Lori Garner - Novi High School Special Educator | (248) 449-1212 ext. 5071 |
| • | Pat Tessmer - Pinckney High School Educator | (810) 225-5761 |
| | Stephanie Schriner - Novi High School Administrator | (248) 449-1212 ext. 1503 |
| • | Evelynne Lundberg – Work Skills Corporation | (810) 227-4868 ext. 208 |

IX.D.1.



| TO: | Trustees, Board of Education |
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| FROM: | William R. Anderson, President - Board of Education |
| RE: | Selection of Superintendent Search Firm |
| DATE: | February 19, 2009 |
| Please be p February 9, | repared to discuss the two presentations that were presented at the 2009 Board meeting regarding the Superintendent Search process. |
| Motion Moved by: Supported b | y: |
| To contract Superintend | with to conduct the ent Search for Brighton Area Schools. |
| Voice vote: Ayes Nays | |

IX.D.2.

TO:



| FROM: | Bonnie P. Riutta, Interim Superintendent of Schools |
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| RE: | Minutes of February 11, 2009 Special Joint Meeting |
| DATE: | February 19, 2009 |
| The minutes | s of the February 11, 2009 meeting are presented for your consideration |
| Moved by: Supported t | by: |
| To approve | the February 11, 2009 meeting minutes as presented. |
| Voice vote: Ayes Nays1 Abste | |

Trustees, Board of Education

Brighton Area Schools Board of Education Special Joint Meeting w/SELCRA Wednesday, February 11, 2009 7 PM - BECC

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Anderson at 7:02 p.m. Members present: William Anderson, Jay Krause, Cheryl Leach, Beth Minert, Joyce Powers and Greg Rassel. Member absent: Joe Carney (arrived 8:05 p.m.). Also present: SELCRA Board and staff: Director Pat Gerace, Secretary Cheryl Royster, Board members—Dan Mulvihill, Steve Holden, Kim Tobin, Jean Ledford, George Kilpatrick, Tom Murphy, Christine Voight and Chad Cooper.

Also present: Interim Superintendent Bonnie Riutta, Anne Rennie-Director of Community Education, and John Thompson-Director of Athletics.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Call to the Public

No Comments.

IV. SELCRA Contract

The current SELCRA contract expires June 30, 2009.

Items discussed included facility usage and fees associated with usage, the offering of competing programs, direct/indirect costs of programs, and the mailing of two different brochures for the Community Education program and for the SELCRA program.

Mrs. Riutta restated what was agreed to by SELCRA and Community Education regarding the review of the contract:

- A complete review of the contract will be conducted by Pat Gerace and Anne Rennie.
- The issuance of a joint program brochure will be studied.
- The 15% indirect possibility or group B 15% rate with results to be shared with both Boards.
- Anne Rennie and Pat Gerace will meet to address these issues and will develop
 a recommendation for both Boards' to consider. This must be completed by the
 end of March as changes have to be submitted to both Boards prior to April 1
 deadline as provided for in the current contract.

Meeting recessed at 8:15 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 8:27 p.m.

Moved by Leach, supported by Minert to adjourn. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

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| Date Approved: | |
| Approved by: | |
| William R. Anderson, President | Elizabeth Minert, Secretary |
| | (Sheri Lohmiller, Recorder) |