



Board of Education
April 26, 2010
7 PM

Committee of the Whole

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."

Board of Education
Brighton Area Schools
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 26, 2010
7 PM - BECC

Minutes

I. Call to Order

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

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present: William Anderson, Jay Krause, Cheryl Leach, Beth Minert, Joyce Powers, and Miles Vieau. Member absent: Greg Rassel.

Also present: Superintendent Gray, Assistant Superintendents Gisting, Schwager and Surrey, staff, press and visitors.

IV. Acceptance of Agenda

Moved by Krause, supported by Minert to accept the agenda as presented. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.

V. Public Participation

No comments.

VI. Board Reports and Correspondence

None.

VII. For Action

- A. Consent Agenda (Minutes of April 12, 2010, Bills of April 1, 8, 15, 2010) - Moved by Anderson, supported by Powers to approve the consent agenda as corrected (minutes to reflect correct spelling of Regruth). Voice vote: 5 ayes, 1 abstention-Vieau, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.
- B. Staff Layoffs, Certified - Moved by Minert, supported by Anderson to approve the staff reductions as presented with regret. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent - Rassel. Motion carried with regret.
- C. Layoffs, BASAA - Moved by Krause, supported by Vieau to reduce administrative staffing to include the layoffs of Debra Higgins and Kay Short with regret. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried with regret.
- D. BASAA Contract Extensions - Moved by Powers, supported by Minert to approve the contract extensions of Scott Brenner, Richard Browder, Jeff Eisele, Ken Hamman, Kirk Hobson, Susan Johnson, Elson Liu, Pat Meyer, Peggy Moyer, Anne Rennie, John Thompson, Henry Vecchioni,

Mary Williams and Jack Yates through June 30, 2012. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.

E. Handbook Revisions

1. Elementary - Moved by Krause, supported by Minert to approve the Elementary Handbook as presented. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.
2. Maltby Intermediate - Moved by Powers, supported Krause to approve the handbook as amended. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.
3. High School - Moved by Minert, supported by Powers to approve the handbook as revised. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.

F. Energy Education Resolution - Moved by Minert, supported by Powers to adopt the Energy Management Conservation Resolution as presented. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.

G. RFP Technology, –Computing - Moved by Krause, supported by Minert to approve the purchase of 78 –Computing units for a total cost of \$45,998.52 as presented. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.

H. Resignations

1. Moved by Anderson, supported by Krause to accept the resignations for retirement purposes of Rich Adams, Cathleen Ambrose, Marygrace Britt, Betty Evenson, Jill Gosselin, Marianne Johnson, Linda Lorenz, Dian Shields, and Karen Smith with appreciation. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.
2. Retirement, BASAA - Moved by Minert, supported by Powers to accept the resignation for retirement purposes of Kay Nicholas with appreciation. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.

VIII. For Future Action

- A. Apple Computers, Elementary - Elson Liu, Director of Technology, presented a proposal for the purchase of 50 Mac mini computers for \$26,901. These computers will be used to replace classroom and lab computers that are eight to ten years old. This item will appear on the May 10, 2010 agenda for Board consideration.
- B. Appointment of Alternate to LESA PAC - Anja Geyer has expressed interest in continuing her appointment as the alternate representative to the LESA PAC. This appointment would expire June 30, 2013. A recommendation will be presented for consideration at the May 10, 2010 Board meeting.

IX. For Information

- A. Curriculum/Instruction

Basia Kiehler reviewed the AdvancED Standards and reported on the upcoming NCA visit that will take place May 3-5, 2010.

B. Finance

Dr. Gistingier reviewed the March Financial statement related to the Deficit Reconciliation Report. She further reported that the district received responses from seven companies regarding the Food Service RFP, completed a review of certified staff files related to longevity, and the MESSA rate increase of 24.2%.

C. Human Resources

No report.

D. Other

None.

X. Committee of the Whole

A. Elective Course, Scranton Middle School - Principal Henry Vecchioni presented information on the "Life Skills 7" course proposal. The recommendation was reviewed by Curriculum Council and there are no additional costs or textbooks needed for the course. This item will be placed on the May 10, 2010 Board agenda.

B. Sinking Fund - Superintendent Gray and the Board discussed the need for reinstatement of the Sinking Fund. Dr. Gray reported that 1 mill for ten years would be approximately \$22 million. Currently, the district is undertaking a five year comprehensive replacement/renovation plan. Once the plan is completed it will be presented for Board review and discussion in planning for a future sinking fund millage request.

XI. Closed Session, BEA Negotiations

Moved by Krause, supported by Powers to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiation strategies connected with the BEA bargaining unit, inasmuch as the administration requested a closed session. Roll call vote: 6 ayes, 1 absent-Rassel. Motion carried.

Board entered closed session at 8:22 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 8:22 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:29 p.m.

Board entered open session at 9:05 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 9:05 p.m.

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Date Approved:

Approved by:

Cheryl Leach, President

Beth Minert, Secretary

(Sheri Lohmiller, Recorder)