



Board of Education
February 8, 2010
7 PM

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, February 8, 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

Members present: William Anderson, Jay Krause, Cheryl Leach, Beth Minert, Joyce Powers, Greg Rassel and Miles Vieau.

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

IV. Acceptance of Agenda

Moved by Rassel, supported by Anderson to accept the agenda as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

V. Recognition

"Shining Stars" were presented to Teddi DiCicco, Lisa Ockerman, Susan Goodfellow, Kris Nash, Sharon Jones, and Robin Tomburrini for their actions in assisting a student during a medical incident.

VI. Public Participation

Sandy Weston, Barbara Fuller, Marty Levitte, Tim Fuller, Keith VanHentenryck, Barry Goode, Jo Hurshe, and Joe Carney addressed the Board concerning the privatization of custodial services and equitable funding.

VII. Board Reports/Correspondence

Trustee Powers attended the Community Education Open House held at Miller on February 2, 2010 to highlight the programs offered by the department.

VIII. For Action

A. Consent Agenda

Moved by Powers, supported by Minert to approve the consent agenda as presented. Voice vote: 5 ayes, 2 abstentions - Krause and Rassel. Motion carried.

B. Level 3 Grievance Recommendation

Moved by Krause, supported by Rassel to take the Level 3 Grievance Recommendation off the table and place on the agenda for Board consideration. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 nay - Powers. Motion carried.

It was recommended that the Storey Level 3 Grievance and amended grievance be denied.

Moved by Rassel, supported by Krause to deny the Level 3 Grievance and amended grievance as presented. Voice vote: 5 ayes, 1 nay - Powers, 1 abstention - Anderson. Motion carried.

C. Bid Award, Custodial Services

Board discussion took place concerning the custodial service bids.

Moved by Rassel, supported by Anderson to award the custodial service bid to D.M. Burr and further, that hourly rates be increased to \$9.50 and \$11.50 and to give administration the latitude to seek 100% insurance coverage for employees. Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 nay - Powers. Motion carried.

D. Leave of Absence

Moved by Minert, supported by Rassel to grant Margaret Goodhue an unpaid medical leave of absence for the second semester of the 2009/2010 school year as requested. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

E. Call for Joint Meeting with SELCRA

Moved by Rassel, supported by Krause to call for the annual joint meeting with SELCRA on Wednesday, February 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at BECC. Voice vote: 7 ayes.

If school is canceled on Wednesday the SELCRA meeting will also be canceled and rescheduled.

F. Bid Award, Cellular Service

Moved by Rassel, supported by Krause to award the cellular bid award to Verizon as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

IX. For Future Action

A. Sinking Fund

Dr. Gray recommended that in the near future the Board consider a 1 mill for 10 years Sinking Fund ballot issue to maintain the district's buildings. After Board discussion it was suggested that an August election be held instead of May and further, that a 1, 3, 5 and 10 year capital projects plan be developed.

B. Energy Education Proposal

Mr. Mike Beetar and Mr. George Woons presented a program whereby the district would manage its energy controls resulting in a savings to the district. A portion of the savings would offset the costs of managing the program. This item will be presented for Board consideration on February 22, 2010.

X. For Information

A. Curriculum/Instruction

1. Dr. Surrey is working on strengthening systems at the secondary level to ensure optimum instructional delivery and student mastery of content areas.
2. Professional Development - Dr. Surrey is working with the Vice Presidents of the BEA for next year's offerings.
3. NCA Visit - Site visits are May 3 - 5, 2010.
4. Report Cards - A report card committee will be created and active this spring to refine the card and determine where assessments aren't being completed. The committee will continue in the 2010/11 school year to study the entire report card.
5. Ed2020 was purchase in the fall for online credit recovery. Teacher Lynette Daig is working on this project and to date sixty-three students are registered.

B. Finance

1. Deficit Elimination Plan - Dr. Gisting reported on the progress to date concerning the Deficit Elimination Plan. She also recapped accomplishments made during the past twelve months.
2. RFP's were let for banking services.
3. President Leach asked when the ERI proposal was presented to the BEA and the status of the proposal. Dr. Gray responded that the ERI has not received acceptance from the BEA and is off the table per the BEA.

C. Human Resources

1. District personnel will be meeting with representatives from LESA to ensure a smooth transition for the county transportation collaborative which will provide services to the Brighton Area Schools.
2. A staffing update will be presented at the February 22, 2010 board meeting.
3. Leave payout days for some BESPAs employee divisions will be studied. Currently, a \$10/hour substitute in the custodial area would cost the district \$136/day and a \$12/hour substitute in the transportation department would be \$130/day. President Leach asked to see a written recommendation presented to the Board February 22, 2010.

XI. Closed Session

Moved by Rassel, supported by Krause to enter closed session for the purpose of approving the January 25, 2010 closed minutes. Roll call vote: 7 ayes.
Motion carried.

Board entered closed session at 9:03 p.m.
Meeting recessed at 9:03 p.m.
Meeting reconvened at 9:07 p.m.
Board entered open session at 9:10 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Date Approved:

Approved by:

Cheryl Leach, President

Elizabeth Minert, Secretary

(Sheri Lohmiller, Recorder)