



Board of Education  
March 14, 2011  
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, March 14, 2011  
7 PM - BECC

## **Minutes**

### **I. Call to Order**

President Leach called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **II. Pledge of Allegiance**

### **III. Roll Call**

Members present: Bill Anderson, John Conely, Jay Krause, Cheryl Leach, Beth Minert, Greg Rassel, and Miles Vieau.

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

### **IV. Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Anderson, supported by Rassel to approve the agenda as amended (add IX.B. Insurance Bids). Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

### **V. Public Participation**

Mandy Koonz of the University of Michigan addressed the Board concerning UM's Dance Marathon and invited Trustees to attend the mini-marathon that will be held at Brighton High School on March 24, 2011 beginning at 7 p.m. The high school students will help raise funds to improve the quality of life for children with disabilities.

Joe Malik addressed the Board about the possibility of broadcasting school events. He was directed to contact Superintendent Gray.

Henry Vecchioni, High School Principal-Grade 9, invited the Board to attend observations at Brighton High School concerning the special education delivery model prior the next Board presentation on this topic.

Douglas Fairbanks addressed concerning the insurance RFP and asked that the deadline be extended. This request was made so that bidders would have the opportunity to review MESSA experience data which would be provided on April 16, 2011. Superintendent Gray will speak with Dr. Gisting regarding the extension request.

### **VI. Board Reports/Correspondence**

No Board reports or correspondence.

Dr. Gray reminded the Trustees of the Joint meeting with SELCRA that is scheduled for Wednesday, March 23, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

**VII. For Action**

- A. Consent Agenda, Bills of February 24-March 3, 2011 and Minutes of February 28, 2010 - Moved by Krause, supported by Minert to approve the consent agenda as presented.

A question was asked concerning the utility charges for Lindbom Elementary. The district will ask that the utility company not estimate the readings.

Voice vote: 6 ayes, 1 abstention - Rassel. Motion carried.

- B. Acceptance of Donation - Moved by Vieau, supported by Rassel to accept, with gratitude, the donation of four HP 620 Essential Notebook computers made possible through the HP Employee Giving Program.  
Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- C. Policies, Second Reading - President Leach announced that Policy 5136 would be removed from the group of policies under consideration.

Moved by Rassel, supported by Krause to approve Policies 5111, 5111.01, 5111.02, 5460, 5512, 5517, 6144, and 6850 as presented.  
Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Minert, supported by Anderson to place Policy 5136-Wireless Communication Devices on the table for discussion. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Board discussion took place regarding replacement Policy 5136. This policy will be re-formatted and placed on the March 28, 2011 agenda for consideration.

- D. Leaves of Absence Requests - Moved by Minert, supported by Rassel to approve the leave extension request from Sarah Credo as presented.  
Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Minert, supported by Krause to approve the leave extension request from Tracey Flanigan as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Rassel, supported by Krause to approve the leave extension request from Janel Moon as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Minert, supported by Krause to approve the leave extension request from Christine Price Mishoulam as presented. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Trustee Anderson asked that the district send letters to the individuals who requested leave extensions that they were approved for the 2011/2012 school year and that another extension would not be granted. This letter would provide staff members with the appropriate notice concerning the Board's position on leave extensions.

- E. Resignation - Moved by Rassel, supported by Minert to accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, from Karen Goss with great appreciation. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Rassel, supported by Minert to accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, from Emily Brown with great appreciation. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Rassel, supported by Anderson to accept the resignation of Anna Hurtado with appreciation. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Krause, supported by Rassel to accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Sandy Davies with great appreciation. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

- F. Extension of Superintendent Gray's Contract - Moved by Vieau, supported by Rassel to extend Dr. Gray's employment contract for an additional year, effective through June 30, 2016. Voice vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

President Leach will meet with Mr. Krause and Mrs. Minert to discuss the terms of Dr. Gray's contract.

#### **VIII. For Future**

- A. Policies, First Reading - Policies 7434 - Use of Tobacco on School Premises, 8330 - Student Records, 8450 - Control of Casual Contact Communicable Diseases and 9160 - Public Attendance at School Events were presented for a first reading.

#### **IX. For Information**

- A. Curriculum/Instruction - Dr. Surrey distributed data regarding college readiness indicators and the percentage of students who received 1's on the MEAP (from 2009/10 test).
- B. Finance - At the March 28, 2011 Committee of the Whole meeting the Board will discuss budget assumptions used to create the 2011/12

budget. The district received approximately \$43,000 from LESA and the district will use those funds to replace phoenic ear equipment throughout the district. RFP's are due on Wednesday, March 16, 2011. RFP's for insurance bids were discussed. Superintendent Gray will speak with Dr. Gistingner concerning the request to extend the bid deadline.

- C. Human Resources - Preparations are underway for staffing. The district is conducting an internal review of highly qualified data to make sure that teachers are placed appropriately.
- D. Superintendent - The Strategic Plan will be completed by early summer.
- E. Other

**X. Closed Session**

Moved by Rassel, supported by Anderson to enter closed session for the purpose of approving the February 28, 2011 closed minutes. Roll call vote: 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Board entered closed session at 7:55 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 7:55 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:59 p.m.

Board entered open session at 8:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Date Approved:

Approved by:

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Cheryl Leach, President

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Beth Minert, Secretary

(Sheri Lohmiller, Recorder)