

MINUTES: SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

The **Special Meeting** of the Ypsilanti Community Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Sharon Irvine at 6:31 p.m.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENT

President Sharon Irvine, Secretary Maria Sheler-Edwards, Vice-President Dr. Celeste Hawkins (6:43 arrival), Trustee Brenda Meadows, Trustee Ellen Champagne, Trustee Sharon Lee

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ABSENT

Treasurer Meredith Schindler (*due to family emergency*)

ACCEPTANCE OF "AMENDED" AGENDA: The amended agenda was accepted as presented. Agenda amended as follows: **Add** - Action Item/Schneider Electric Energy Services Contract.

Motion by Lee, supported by Champagne

Action Recorded: 5/Yes; 0/No

PUBLIC COMMENTS #1

Gillian Ream Gainsley spoke on performance contracting.

SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC ENERGY SERVICES CONTRACT: [New Item/Amended Agenda](#)

MOTION TO approve the Schneider Electric Energy Savings Contract, a performance contract.

Motion by Champagne, supported by Sheler-Edwards

Roll Call Vote: 4/2 Yes

Yes: *Hawkins, Champagne, Sheler-Edwards, Irvine*

BOARD OF EDUCATION SELF-ASSESSMENT: Mary Kerwin, Facilitator/Senior Consultant of Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) facilitated this session. Board self-assessment is a governance tool. It is a way to build a strong and more effective Board. This session examined Board performance and ways to improve their work and to continue with progress. The result of this self-assessment was a "highly effective" rating for the Board.

REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION - Section 8(a) OMA, Personnel Evaluation of Superintendent

MOTION TO convene in closed session under Section 8(a) of the OMA to consider a personnel evaluation of the Superintendent.

Motion by Champagne, supported by Lee

Roll Call Vote: 6/0 Yes

Yes: *Hawkins, Meadows, Champagne, Lee, Sheler-Edwards, Irvine*

The meeting was called to closed session at 7:07 p.m. The meeting reconvened to open session at 9:03 p.m. *Mary Kerwin also facilitated this session.*

ACTION ITEM

ADOPTION OF SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION: There was no formal adoption of the Board's evaluation of Superintendent Alena Zachery-Ross. Zachery-Ross is a Washtenaw Intermediate School District (WISD) employee; the WISD will officially evaluate her. This MASB document will be sent to the WISD as input from the YCS Board toward Zachery-Ross' evaluation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS #2: *None*

OTHER: None

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS: None

Meeting Adjourned: Appx. 9:09 p.m.

Date Approved: 12/3/2018



Maria Sheler-Edwards, Secretary
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