

YPSILANTI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

*Administration Building, Professional Development Room * 1885 Packard Rd.; Ypsilanti, MI 48197*

MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (Meeting #2 of 2)

Monday, December 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Sharon Irvine at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Perry ELC students and Principal Lindsey Segrist.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENT

President Sharon Irvine, Secretary Maria Sheler-Edwards, Vice-President Dr. Celeste Hawkins (6:41 arrival), Treasurer Meredith Schindler (7:25 arrival), Trustee Brenda Meadows, Trustee Ellen Champagne, Trustee Sharon Lee

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ABSENT: *None*

ACHIEVEMENTS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Perry ELC Points of Pride included: 1) Climate of High Expectations; 2) Frequent Monitoring of Student Progress; 3) Opportunity to Learn and Student Time on Task; 4) Safe and Orderly Environment; 5) Positive Home/School Relations; 6) Strong Instructional Leadership, and; 7) Clear and Focused Mission.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Accepted as Presented

Motion by Lee, supported by Sheler-Edwards

Action Recorded: 5/Yes; 0/No

PRESENTATIONS: *None*

(Celeste Hawkins arrival)

PUBLIC COMMENTS #1

Tim King spoke on taxes and veteran assistance, acknowledging Rev. Robert Bull will also share ideas during public comments tonight. *Mike Gibbons* and *Sharon Quinn* shared comments on the Board agenda item of Ypsilanti Cooperative Preschool renting space at Chapelle School. Rev. *Robert Bull* spoke of an idea to repurpose Thurston and Kettering Schools for veteran housing. *Maria Goodrich* commented on Irvine in her role as Board president and the direction YCS is moving in.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO approve the following: 1) November 12, 2018 regular meeting minutes; 2) November 14, 2018 special meeting minutes; 3) November 14, 2018 closed session meeting minutes, and; 4) the personnel matters as per the attached list dated November 28, 2018: New Hires and Resignations.

Motion by Champagne, supported by Sheler-Edwards

Action Recorded: 6/Yes; 0/No

ACTION ITEMS, Student Affairs

Career & Technical Education/RCTC Grants & Donations: Chrysler Grant, I-CAR Grant & Collision Repair Education Foundation/Donor

MOTION TO accept the following, on behalf of Career and Technical Education: 1) \$5,000 Chrysler Tool Grant; 2) \$1,100 I-CAR Curriculum Grant, and; 3) \$500 in equipment/supplies from the Collision Repair Education Foundation.

Motion by Hawkins, supported by Meadows

Roll Call Vote: 6/0 Yes

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

Field Trip: YCS K-12 Art in 2019/20 (next school year)

MOTION TO approve the overnight and out-of-state field trip of YCS K-12 selected Art department students to the Department of Education in Washington, D.C. during Spring 2020.

Motion by Meadows, supported by Lee

Action Recorded: 6/Yes; 0/No

Discussion Included: Trip brought to Board in advance of 2019/20 school year due to fundraiser efforts will begin. Confirmation this trip will be open to K-12 students. Fundraising goal of \$75,000, plans if enough funds are not raised. Fundraising availability to teachers.

Field Trip: YCHS Science Club

MOTION TO approve the overnight field trip of the Ypsilanti Community High School Science Club to Mackinaw City, December 14 – 18, 2018.

Motion by Lee, supported by Hawkins

Action Recorded: 6/Yes; 0/No

(Meredith Schindler arrival)

ACTION ITEMS, Business/Finance

RESOLUTION: Lease Purchase/Facility Energy Conservation

MOTION TO adopt the Resolution Authorizing Lease Purchase Agreements.

Motion by Sheler-Edwards, supported by Champagne

Roll Call Vote: 6/1 Yes

Yes: Hawkins, Schindler, Meadows, Champagne, Sheler-Edwards, Irvine

Fund Balance Un-Commitment

MOTION TO update its June 30, 2015 commitment of \$5,000,000 of the June 30, 2018 fund balance in the General Fund, with a revised commitment of \$0 for the repayment of the operating debt that was refinanced in August 2013.

Motion by Champagne, supported by Schindler

Roll Call Vote: 7/0 Yes

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

Discussion Included: Schindler expressed concern with the wording of the motion, specifically "\$0" in the motion; how it is committed. Per Dr. Edwina Hill, Director of Business and Finance, un-committal means we could use those monies on other things. The item came to the Board based on a conversation with our outside auditors and a letter to the U.S. Treasury.

Athletics Transportation Costs

MOTION TO approve Getaway Tours to provide transportation for our athletic teams for scheduled Winter and Spring games, at a cost not to exceed \$67,080.

Motion by Meadows, supported by Lee

Roll Call Vote: 7/0 Yes

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

LEASE: Camp Zip

AMENDED: MOTION TO approve the lease with Camp Zip for the rental of one classroom at Chapelle School, with a lease period of January 1, 2019 – ~~December 31, 2020~~ September 30, 2019.

Motion by Sheler-Edwards, supported by Hawkins

Roll Call Vote: 7/0 Yes

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

Discussion Included: Approved lease includes - 1) lease period of nine months, and; 2) change in classroom/space being leased.

LEASE: Ypsilanti Preschool Cooperative

MOTION TO approve the one-year lease with Chapelle School with Ypsilanti Preschool Cooperative with an option to renew for an additional year, with a first lease year of December 1, 2018 – November 30, 2019.

Motion by Hawkins, supported by Sheler-Edwards

Roll Call Vote: 7/0 Yes

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

ACTION ITEMS, Human Resources

Athletics Coaching Salary Scale

MOTION TO approve the proposed Athletics pay scale for use beginning January 1, 2019 to compensate coaches and assistant coaches.

Motion by Lee, supported by Champagne

Roll Call Vote: 7/0 Yes

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS #2

Charlotte Tillerson commented on Board President Sharon Irvine's upcoming departure from Board service.

OTHER: None

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

- Zachery-Ross spoke on Irvine's upcoming departure from Board service, thanking her for successes and commitment of time in serving in her role.
- Irvine commented on four years of service, thanking Board members on successes. Accolades to Zachery-Ross for what she brings to the District, commenting that it takes "all of us". Spoke to strength of District, and Zachery-Ross playing a part in that. Irvine commented she hopes Zachery-Ross will become a permanent part of the District.

RECESS, to Honor President Sharon Irvine: 8:11 p.m. – 8:23 p.m., Reception in Honor of Board President Sharon Irvine to allow community to wish her well in future endeavors.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – Section 8 (h) OMA, Attorney-Client Privilege

MOTION TO convene in closed session under Section 8(h) of the OMA to consider an Attorney-Client Privilege matter.

Motion by Champagne, supported by Hawkins

Roll Call Vote: 7/0 Yes

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

The meeting was called to closed session at 8:24 p.m. The meeting reconvened to open session at 8:35 p.m. Open session discussion included Board discussion on November 2018 elected Board member Gillian Ream Gainsley's presence in closed session, including: 1) past practice; 2) policy; 3) polling members, and; 4) previous appointed Board. Decision was Ream Gainsley would not go back into closed session. Irvine said information will be available to her as of January 1, 2019. Now, return to closed session ...

RETURN TO CLOSED SESSION – Attorney-Client Privilege (continuation of session listed immediately above in these minutes)

MOTION TO return to closed session to further consider an Attorney-Client Privilege matter.

Motion by Lee, supported by Schindler

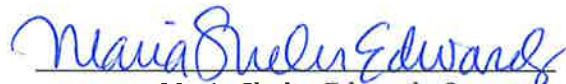
Roll Call Vote: 7/0 Yes

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

Meeting Adjourned: 9:15 p.m.

Attachment: RESOLUTION: Authorizing Lease Purchase Agreements

Date Approved: January 28, 2019



Maria Sheler-Edwards, Secretary
Board of Education
Ypsilanti Community Schools

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**YPSILANTI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, STATE OF MICHIGAN**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Education (the "Board") of Ypsilanti Community Schools, County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan (the "School District"), held in the YCS Administration Building, 1885 Packard Road, Ypsilanti, Michigan 48197, on December 3, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., prevailing Eastern time.

PRESENT: Members Sharon Irvine, Celeste Hawkins, Maria Sheler-Edwards, Meredith Schindler, Ellen Champagne,

ABSENT: Members Ø Brenda Meadows, Sharon Lee

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Sheler-Edwards supported by Member Champagne.

WHEREAS, the Board has previously determined that it is in the best interest of the School District to acquire various facility energy conservation improvement measures throughout the School District (the "Project") to be installed by Schneider Electric Buildings Americas, Inc. (the "Vendor"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the School District to finance the acquisition and installation of the Project by entering into one or more lease-purchase agreements (the "Agreements") with Flagstar Bank, FSB (the "Provider") pursuant to Section 380.1274a of the Revised School Code, Act 451, Michigan Public Acts of 1976, as amended (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Board to authorize the Superintendent (the "Authorized Officer") to negotiate and finalize the terms of the Agreements pursuant to the Act, and authorize the Authorized Officer to execute certain other documentation and undertake necessary actions relative thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Authorization to Enter into Agreements. The Board hereby authorizes the execution and delivery of one or more Agreements in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Three Million Seven Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,789,500) for a term not to exceed fifteen (15) years, to provide financing for the Project. The Board hereby determines that the useful life of the Project exceeds fifteen (15) years.
2. Delegation of Authority; Selection of Provider; Delivery of Agreements. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to negotiate and finalize the terms and conditions of the Agreements with the Provider, subject to the parameters set forth in this resolution, and is hereby authorized and directed make all determinations required under the Act.
3. Additional Documentation. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to execute such additional documentation as shall be necessary to effectuate the closing of the Agreements.

4. Security; Agreements Not Debt. Payments under the Agreements shall be a current operating expense of the School District subject to annual appropriations of funds by the Board. During the term of the Agreements, the School District shall be the vested owner of the Project and the terms of the Agreements may grant a security interest in the Project to the Provider. Upon the termination of the Agreements and the satisfaction of the obligations of the School District, the Provider shall release any such security interest in the Project. The Agreements shall not be subject to the Revised Municipal Finance Act, Act 34, Michigan Public Acts of 2001, as amended ("Act 34"), and shall not be a municipal security or a debt as those terms are defined in Act 34.

5. Tax Covenant. The School District hereby covenants that, to the extent permitted by law, it shall take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exemption of the interest on the obligations under the Agreements from federal income taxation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including but not limited to, actions relating to the rebate of arbitrage earnings, if applicable, and the expenditure and investment of proceeds of the Agreements and moneys deemed to be proceeds.

6. Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations. The School District hereby designates the Agreements as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for purposes of deduction of interest expense by financial institutions under the provisions of the Code.


7. Other Actions. The Authorized Officer and other appropriate officials and agents of the School District are directed to take all other actions necessary or advisable to effectuate the closing of the Agreements.

8. Bond Counsel. Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. is hereby appointed as bond counsel for the Agreements, notwithstanding its periodic representation in unrelated matters of other parties or potential parties to the transaction contemplated by this resolution, including the Provider and the Vendor.

9. Rescission. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

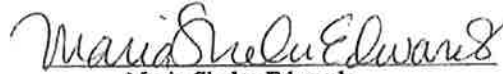
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AYES: Members Irvine, Hawkins, Sheler-Edwards, Schinder,
ABSTAIN: Members ✓ Meadows,
NAYS: Members Lee Champagne

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.


Maria Sheler-Edwards
Secretary, Board of Education

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of the Ypsilanti Community Schools, Washtenaw County, Michigan, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education at a meeting held on December 3, 2018, the original of which Resolution is a part of the Board's minutes, and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.



Maria Sheler-Edwards

Secretary, Board of Education

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