

MINUTES: SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, July 24, 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. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by President Irvine. Superintendent Dr. Benjamin Edmondson was a delayed arrival to this meeting.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENT

President Sharon Irvine, Secretary Maria Sheler-Edwards, Vice-President Dr. Celeste Hawkins, Treasurer Meredith Schindler, Trustee Brenda Meadows, Trustee Ellen Champagne, Trustee Sharon Lee (8:18 departure)

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ABSENT: None

MEMBERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE CABINET PRESENT (& Participants in Monitoring District Performance Session)

Data Assessment & Grants Coordinator Rob Cannon, Director of Facilities Steve Burgess, Communications & Marketing Coordinator Taryn Reid, Wellness & Community Partnerships Coordinator Kharena Keith

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Accepted as Presented

Motion by Schindler, supported by Lee Action Recorded: 7/Yes; 0/No

Added to Agenda: PRESIDENT IRVINE COMMENT | Vote on Community Liaison Contract, Enc. #5A.v at the July 16, 2018 regular Board meeting: Regarding this item, President Irvine clarified that 4 votes were required for this item to pass. The vote at the July 16th meeting was a 3 Yes/2 No vote - which was a no pass vote; however, Irvine stated this item would be brought before the Board again at the next regular Board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

AMENDED MINUTES: June 25, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

Amended Motion: MOTION TO approve the AMENDED, as revised (tonight), minutes of the June 25, 2018 regular Board meeting.

Motion by Lee, supported by Schindler

Action Recorded: 7/Yes; 0/No

<u>Discussion:</u> Regarding the motion to "approve Energy Services Contract, Schneider Electric", the amended motion of a 2 Yes/4 No vote - a "no pass vote"- was deleted during discussion of this item. The originally listed "tie vote" is correct. The presented amended minutes are revised to indicate the tie vote.

MONITORING DISTRICT PERFORMANCE: Mary Kerwin, Senior Consultant | Michigan Association of School Boards led this superintendent's progress report session. Discussion and monitoring on progress of superintendent's performance goals. Board members participated in this session, along with administrative Cabinet members listed above. Kerwin will prepare consult notes from this session, and will forward to us.

The Board recessed at 8:27 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:36 p.m.

(Superintendent Dr. Benjamin Edmondson arrival)

OTHER

- Brief conversation on a review of financial resources.
- Edmondson commented on the American Center for Mobility.
- Irvine spoke on performance contracting.
- Brief conversation of District needs: computers, room upgrades, roofs, etc. Cabinet would propose funding design pieces.
- Board decision to add a Tuesday, August 7, 2018 Board meeting for further discussion of finances.
- New date added to Board meeting schedule: July 26, 2018.
- New date added to Board meeting schedule: July 30, 2018 transitional leadership plan/options; interim superintendent.
- Irvine commented on a plan for November election and potential new Board members: 1) what does election look like; 2) possibly one person to plan it. MASB's Mary Kerwin will send additional information.
- Edmondson commented on recommended candidate for Estabrook principal, Ryan Johnson, to come before the Board for an approval on July 30th.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

- Meadows thanked Edmondson for his work; comments on his tremendous work.
- Edmondson commented on his appreciation of the Superintendency opportunity.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:12 p.m.

Date Approved: Quil 3, 2018

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

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