

**YPSILANTI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

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

**MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Monday, September 10, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by President Sharon Irvine at 6:35 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Holmes Elementary students and Holmes Lead Teacher, Stephanie Berry.

**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 (6:45 arrival)

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ABSENT**

Trustee Ellen Champagne, Trustee Sharon Lee

**ACHIEVEMENTS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

Holmes Points of Pride included: 1) Correlate 1 | Clearly Stated and Focused Mission; 2 & 3) | Correlate 3 | A Safe and Orderly Environment for Learning; 4) Correlate 4 | Climate of High Expectations for Success; 5) Correlate 6 | Opportunity of Learning and Student Time on Task; 6) Correlate 5 | Frequent Monitoring of Student Progress, and; 7) Correlate 7 | Positive Home/School Relationships.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:** Accepted as Presented

*Motion by Schindler, supported by Sheler-Edwards*

*Action Recorded: 4/Yes; 0/No*

**PRESENTATIONS**

Blueprint Installation Update (technology issues; continued below): Superintendent Alena Zachery-Ross shared the district installed the Mechanical Level, the first phase, last year. The Mechanical Level of the Blueprint for Systematic Reconfiguration is for creating a new structure of coherent, aligned district and building systems to ensure success for all students. (Continued below.)

Athletic Handbook Update: Athletic Director Lawrence Reeves shared changes that were made to this version of the Athletic Handbook.

(Brenda Meadows arrives)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS #1**

Debra Stevens commented on transportation.

PRESENTATION (continued from above): Blueprint Installation Update: Zachery-Ross and Assistant Superintendent Dr. Sherrell Hobbs gave a PowerPoint presentation. Presentation included: 1) strategic thoughts for what is happening with Blueprint in the district; 2) what is the District Network (DN) and what it does; 3) communication; 4) talent management; 5) instructional infrastructure, and; 6) leadership network.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION TO approve the following: 1) August 7, 2018 revised Special Meeting Minutes, Meeting #1; 2) August 7, 2018 revised Special Meeting Minutes, Meeting #2; 3) August 13,

2018 revised Regular Meeting Minutes; 4) August 27, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes, and; 5) the personnel matters as per the attached list dated September 5, 2018: New Hires and Resignations.

*Motion by Sheler-Edwards, supported by Schindler*

*Action Recorded: 5/Yes; 0/No*

#### **ACTION ITEMS, Student Affairs**

##### **Athletic Handbook**

MOTION TO approve the Athletic Handbook, as presented

*Motion by Schindler, supported by Hawkins*

*Action Recorded: 5/Yes; 0/No*

##### **Washtenaw ISD as Fiscal Agency, CTE Perkins**

MOTION TO approve the the Cooperative Agreement dated September 10, 2018 with the Washtenaw ISD, who acts as fiscal agent for the Career and Technical Education programs.

*Motion by Schindler, supported by Meadows*

*Roll Call Vote: 5/0 Yes*

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS #2: None**

#### **OTHER: None**

#### **BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

- Irvine commented on the team/volunteers of the Back-to-School Bash and the recent event.
- Sheler-Edwards inquired on the number of backpack donations. *Taryn Reid*, Marketing/Communication Coordinator stated about 1,000 were donated (many more than were donated last year); about 900 were given to students.
- Meadows inquired on the extra backpacks. *Reid* said they will be used for families who may need them, or they will be kept for next year. *Reid* also shared a donation received from the Huron Valley Correctional Facility; the donation will be forthcoming to the Board for approval.
- Irvine commented on Opening Day at Ypsilanti Community Middle School (YCMS). Stronger together.
- Zachery-Ross spoke of YCMS Opening Day, crediting Principal Petty and his team for the success of Opening Day.
- Irvine thanked those who attended the WIMA/WIHI ribbon cutting ceremony. She spoke of this partnership and our kids.
- Hawkins commented on the WIMA/WIHI ceremony and the Back-to-School Bash.

#### **REQUEST FOR 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.

*Motion by Meadows, supported by Schindler*

*Roll Call Vote: 5/0 Yes*

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

The meeting was called to closed session at 7:28 p.m. The meeting reconvened to open session at 7:55 p.m.

**ACTION ITEM | RESOLUTION: Proposed Sale of Kaiser School -- Item Tabled To 9/24/18**

**REQUEST FOR 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.

*Motion by Hawkins, supported by Schindler*

*Roll Call Vote: 5/0 Yes*

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

The meeting was called to closed session at 7:56 p.m. The meeting reconvened to open session at 8:19 p.m.

**ACTION ITEM | Settlement Agreement & Release**

MOTION TO: 1) approve the Settlement Agreement and Release as presented, and; 2) authorize the Superintendent to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board, in its current or substantially similar form.

*Motion by Sheler-Edwards, supported by Schindler*

*Roll Call Vote: 5/0 Yes*

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

*Meeting Adjourned: 8:21 p.m.*

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

9/24/2018



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

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