

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, March 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Dr. Celeste Hawkins at 6:56 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Beatty Early Learning Center students and teachers.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENT

President Dr. Celeste Hawkins, Vice-President Brenda Meadows, Secretary Maria Sheler-Edwards, Treasurer Gillian Ream Gainsley, Trustee Ellen Champagne, Trustee Meredith Schindler

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ABSENT

Trustee Sharon Lee

ACHIEVEMENTS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Beatty ELC Points of Pride included: 1) March Dadness; 2) Collaboration with Detroit TV/PBS; 3) New Gardening Program; 4) March is Reading Month; 5) Backpack Program; 6) Family Dance Party, and; 7) Monthly Parent Meetings.

ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDED AGENDA: "Amended agenda" amended as follows – **Table:** 1) Request for Closed Session: Section 8(h) OMA, Attorney-Client Privilege, and; 2) Reconvene to Open Session.

Motion by Schindler, supported by Champagne

Action Recorded: 6/Yes; 0/No

PRESENTATIONS

District Calendar Consideration, 2019/20: This session was facilitated by committee members: Ford Early Learning Center Principal Jeanina Harris, Ypsilanti Community High School Principal Cory Gildersleeve, Erickson Elementary Principal Kelly Mickel and Achieving College & Career Education Principal Jonathan Royce. Committee member and Holmes Principal Aaron Rose was not in attendance. Presented were the committee recommendations for 2019/20, along with a request to the Board for the consideration of a timeline for a Collegiate Calendar in 2020/21. Included in the presentation were: 1) the Blueprint Installation Impact; 2) Why Shift Holmes Elementary School and Ford Early Learning Center to a Traditional Calendar; 3) Proposed Timeline; 4) Collegiate and Traditional Calendars.

Lease Proposal, Middle School Kitchen | Willow Run Campus: Colleen Brewer, PIC Food Safety and Staffing led a PowerPoint presentation, along with coworker, Larry. This company is the management company for the Eastern Market's Community Kitchen, among others. Their goal is to provide a "community kitchen", providing the community with space for meetings, special events, cooking classes and more.

Grants Allocations, 2018/19: Priya Nayak, Director of State and Federal Programs led a PowerPoint presentation on the Federal, State and Washtenaw ISD (WISD) Grants allocations and the current financial implications. The Michigan Department of Education has approved all expenditures, though an amendment is not yet complete. Topics included: 1) 2018/19 Federal Grants; 2) Title I Part A – Improving Basic Programs; 3) Title II Part A – Supporting Effective Instruction; 4) Title III Part A – Language Instruction for Immigrant Students; 5) Title IV Part A – Student Support and Academic Enrichment; 6) 2018/19 State Grants, and; 7) 2018/19 WISD Grants.

PUBLIC COMMENTS #1: *None*

~~**REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION:** Section 8(h) OMA, Attorney-Client Privilege:~~ *Item Tabled from this Agenda; Moved to Special Meeting on this Date*

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: March 11, 2019 Regular Meeting

MOTION TO approve the March 11, 2019 regular meeting minutes.

Motion by Ream Gainsley, supported by Schindler

Action Recorded: 6/Yes; 0/No

ACTION ITEMS, Human Resources

RESOLUTION: Notice of Administrative Contract Non-Renewal # 1

MOTION TO approve the resolution to consider the non-renewal of an administrative contract as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion by Champagne, supported by Schindler

Roll Call Vote: 6/0 Yes

Yes: Meadows, Ream Gainsley, Champagne, Schindler, Sheler-Edwards, Hawkins

RESOLUTION: Notice of Administrative Contract Non-Renewal #2

MOTION TO approve the resolution to consider the non-renewal of an administrative contract as recommended by the Superintendent.

Motion by Sheler-Edwards, supported by Schindler

Roll Call Vote: 6/0 Yes

Yes: Meadows, Ream Gainsley, Champagne, Schindler, Sheler-Edwards, Hawkins

PUBLIC COMMENTS #2: *None*

OTHER

- *Schindler spoke of review of the calendar against religious holidays.*
- *Sheler-Edwards spoke of the annual transgender flag display on March 31st.*

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

- *Meadows commented on her recent time spent in the buildings. She spoke of the visit from U.S. Representative Debbie Dingell at Estabrook.*
- *Schindler spoke of Governor Whitmer's visit to Erickson.*
- *Hawkins commented on Dingell and Whitmer's visits. She also spoke of her attendance, along with Superintendent Zachery-Ross, at the Youth Mapping project (justice system involved youth).*
- *Zachery-Ross shared representatives from the following attended the Youth Mapping meeting: Department of Health and Human Services, Ozone House, schools, community services and law enforcement. Also, a quorum of Board members attended a Blueprint training. To honor March is Reading Month, mention of administrative staff reading books tomorrow (which will be recorded and shared). Comments of the importance of literacy. Governor Whitmer, U. S. Representative Debbie Dingell and Board members reading in the schools sends a message that literacy is a priority.*

Meeting Adjourned: 8:18 p.m.

Date Approved: April 8, 2019



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