

YPSILANTI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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

MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Monday, August 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Dr. Celeste Hawkins at 6:32 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Dr. Hawkins.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENT

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

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ABSENT

Trustee Sharon Lee (family obligation)

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Accepted as Presented, with One Note: National Bus Service is unable to attend tonight. Superintendent Zachery-Ross will provide an update.

Motion by Ream Gainsley, supported by Schindler

Action Recorded: 5/Yes; 0/No

(Meadows Arrival)

PRESENTATIONS

Role of YCS School Resource Officer: Deputy Thomas Guynes, Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office and YCS School Resource Officer, presented highlights of his role at YCS, including how his role positively impacts the District.

Communities in Schools of Michigan: Harold Taylor, Site Manager at Ypsilanti Community High School, presented a summary of the 2018/19 program year.

Student Transportation Update: National Bus was unable to attend this meeting. Alena Zachery-Ross, Superintendent, in the absence of a National Bus representative, gave an update of the Transportation department.

PUBLIC COMMENTS #1: *None*

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION TO approve the following: 1) August 12, 2019 regular meeting minutes, and; 2) the personnel matters as per the attached list dated August 21, 2019: New Hires, Resignations and Retirement.

Motion by Schindler, supported by Meadows

Action Recorded: 6/Yes; 0/No

ACTION ITEMS, Student Affairs

Field Trip, YCMS 7/8 Choir

MOTION TO approve the out-of-state/overnight field trip of the YCMS 7/8 Choir to Washington, D.C. in May 2020.

Motion by Schindler, supported by Meadows

Action Recorded: 6/Yes; 0/No

Heinemann (Literacy)

MOTION TO approve the Heinemann literacy purchase, Quote #5535477, for an amount of \$23,044.

Motion by Meadows, supported by Ream Gainsley

Roll Call Vote: 6/0 Yes

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS #2: *None*

OTHER: *None*

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

- *Zachery-Ross* welcomed the Board for Opening Day tomorrow. She spoke of staff already back and setting up rooms. Estabrook Elementary had a bus travel through neighborhoods with staff, talking with parents/the community and distributing school supplies. Erickson Elementary spent today in 'Leader in Me' training. Operations/Facilities and Aaron Rose – the buildings look welcoming.
- *Ream Gainsley* helped a friend setup up a classroom at Ford, commenting the condition of the building floors was immaculate.
- *Champagne* commented on optimism for this year.
- *Meadows* echoed Champagne's optimism.
- *Hawkins* echoed Champagne's comment too. She spoke of the work of this team, and she is proud to be a part of this District.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:30 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by: Paula Gutzman

Date Approved: 9.9.19



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