

Richmond Community Schools

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of 05-22-2017

7:00 pm on May 22, 2017 in the Richmond High School Media Center

MISSION STATEMENT

At Richmond Community Schools, we provide a quality education that empowers students to be successful in a global community.

A Regular Meeting of the Richmond Board of Education was held on Monday, May 22, 2017, in the Richmond High School Media Center, 35320 Division, Richmond, MI 48062

1. CALL TO ORDER

President, Margaret Teltow called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE

The Pledge was led this evening by members the Top Ten Seniors of Richmond High School: Amanda Gorr, Luci Evans, Nicole Rhein, Rachel Rigole, Amy Thueme, and Amanda Job.

3. MISSION STATEMENT

At Richmond Community Schools, we provide a quality education that empowers students to be successful in a global community. Read by Sarah Gillies, Secretary

4. ROLL CALL

Members Present: M. Teltow, S. Gillies, K. Furtaw, T. Bartell,
R. Edberg, D. Wirth, K. Simmons

Members Absent: None

Others Present: D. Kochan, K. Bartels, D. Michon, V. Laseke

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5. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by R. Edberg to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by K. Furtaw to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

7. TRUE BLUE MOMENT:

1.) Richmond High School Top Ten :

Mrs. Michon, High School Principal presented the Top Ten Seniors:

Amanda Gorr, Luci Evans, Nicole Rhein, Rachel Rigole, Alyssa Gall, Amy Thueme, Lydia Schade, Amanda Job, Raechel McKiernan, and Lauren Nicolopoulos.

2.) Spain Trip:

Mrs. Wolfe and Mrs. Smallwood shared pictures of the recent school trip to Spain. They said it was a fast-paced experience, but worth the trip. They landed in Madrid, visited various art museums, the Bull Ring, Barcelona and dipped their feet into the Mediterranean Sea. Their tour guide was impressed with the group as a whole and gave Mrs. Wolfe some positive feedback on their behavior and maturity.

8. CLOSED SESSIONS-Student Discipline Hearings for Student 050817-C

A. Discipline Hearing for Student 050817-C

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Furtaw move to closed session for the purpose of a student discipline hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

Returned to open session at 8:36 p.m.

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B. Discipline Hearing for Student 052217-A

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K.Furtaw to move to closed session for the purpose of a student discipline hearing at 8:32 p.m.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

Returned to open session at 9:24 p.m.

C. Discipline Hearing for Student 052217-B

Motion: Moved by member K. Furtaw and supported by T. Bartell to move to closed session for the purpose of a student discipline hearing at 9:25 p.m.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

Returned to open session at 10:07 p.m.

9. PRESENTATIONS

Budget Presentation #9

Members of the Board were in agreement that they did not want to drop below 5% of the Early Warning Fund Balance which is currently presented at 4.92%. They discussed additional adjustments such as less allowance for attorney fees, eliminating the school messenger system, extending the walk-zone, and eliminating the Director of Curriculum position. Mr. Walmsley was asked to bring back information to show what things would look like with the redistribution of curriculum responsibilities. Mr. Walmsley also “strongly recommended” that the counselors in each building teach for one hour of the day. There is one more regular board meeting scheduled for June 12th before the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget is to be approved. The Budget Hearing and approval of the Budget will take place on Monday, June 26, 2017.

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10. BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

Lee Elementary:

- May 24th – Change Wars Assembly sponsored by Parent Club – The money raised will be split between student council and parent club. The class that brings in the most money gets a chance to dunk Mr. Kochan in the dunk tank.
- May 25th – Preschool graduation. The three year old class will be held at 9:00 a.m. and the 4 year old class will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.
- May 26th – In honor of Memorial Day, there will be a school-wide pledge with the Honor Guard from Selfridge.
- June 2nd – A 4th grade pizza lunch will be held with the Richmond Police Department
- June 7th – 1st and 2nd Grade Award Assemblies
- June 8th – 3rd and 4th Grade Award Assemblies

Middle School:

- Richmond Middle School will host a league track meet on Thursday, May 25th.
- Richmond Middle School Choir Spring Concert will be on May 31st at 7:00 p.m.
- Seventh grade students will be taking their annual trip to the African American History Museum on June 2nd.
- Fifth grade students will take their annual trip to Beebe Street Park on June 5th.
- Sixth grade students will take their annual trip to Camp Copneconic on June 6th.
- The 8th grade dance and picnic will be held on Thursday, June 8th.

High School:

- The Forensics team had a successful trip to Mackinac Island where they stayed at the Grand Hotel and competed. Daniel Seguin took 3rd place in song Lyric Poetry and Haley Fortuna was invited to perform her Storytelling piece at the Evening of Champions along with eight other Michigan Forensics students.
- The Varsity Girls Softball team is 22-3. They won their tournament this past weekend.
- Shannon Gaffney and Brandon Furtaw will be competing at states for track.
- The Robotics team is holding a STEM camp at Camp Richmond this summer.
- Wrestlers received their State Champion rings at their banquet this past weekend.
- Graduation will take place this Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Macomb Center for Performing Arts

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11. SUPERINTENDENT AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Legislative Update:

- The House and Senate both are not happy with recent teacher retirement talks.
- Friday, May 26, 2017, will be a half day of school with Memorial celebrations and activities taking place at each building.

12. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- Kyle Simmons attended the recent Band Concert and Senior Awards. He said that our school has many talented students and he was impressed with the number of scholarships that were awarded to the seniors.
- Margaret Teltow attended a dinner with Mrs. Michon, Mr. Walmsley, Rachel Rigole and her parents to honor Rachel for her All County-All Academic Award.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

14. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of MISD Biennial Election Candidates

Motion: Moved by member T. Bartell and supported by K. Simmons to approve the designation of Margaret Teltow as the representative of this Board for the MISD Biennial Election meeting and electoral body, and Kristine Furtaw as an alternate in the event the designated representative is unable to attend, which body will elect two (2) candidates to the vacancies on the MISD Board on Monday, June 5, 2017. The designated representative is directed to cast a vote on behalf of this Board for John Bozymowski and Brian White. The Secretary of this Board is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Secretary of the MISD Board prior to the June 5, 2017 MISD Biennial Election meeting. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provision of this resolution are rescinded.

Voice Vote: Ayes: K. Furtaw, T. Bartell, S. Gillies, K. Simmons, R. Edberg, D. Wirth
Nays:
Abstained: M. Teltow
Motion Carries (6-0)

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B. Student Discipline – Student # 050817-C

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Furtaw that student 050817-C will receive an out of school suspension through the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Student 050817-C will continue to be suspended through the first semester of the 2017-2018 school year, which is January 19, 2018. This suspension will be an in-school suspension.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

C. Student Discipline – Student # 052217-A

Motion: Moved by member R. Edberg and supported by D. Wirth that student 052217-A will receive an out of school suspension for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Student 052217-A will continue to be suspended for the 2017-2018 school year through the end of the first quarter ending November 3, 2017 and this suspension will be an in-school suspension.

Voice Vote : All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

D. Student Discipline – Student # 052217-B

Motion: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by T. Bartell that Student 052217-B will receive an out of school suspension for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Student 052217-B will continue to be suspended through the first semester of the 2017-2018 school year ending January 19, 2018. This suspension will be an in-school suspension.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

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15. CLOSED SESSION-Negotiations

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Furtaw to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and move to closed session for the purpose of negotiations at 11:05 p.m.

Roll Call: All Ayes
Motion Carries (7-0)

Returned to open session at 11:15 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT

President, Margaret Teltow concluded the meeting and adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

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