

# Richmond Community Schools

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Superintendent

## BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**7:00PM ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2021, IN THE MEDIA CENTER AT RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL  
(35320 Division, Richmond, Michigan 48062)**

*This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in Agenda Item 9.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by D. Michon at 7pm.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the Board of Education.

**3. MISSION STATEMENT**

D. Michon, present.

D. Sutton, absent with notice.

S. Zube, present.

M. Teltow, present.

A. Pacitto, present.

K. Simmons, present.

B. Shuboy, present.

Forum: 6-0

**4. ROLL CALL**

Motion for approval of the agenda as presented by A. Pacitto; supported by K. Simmons.

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion for approval of the Consent Agenda as presented in the attached documentation, by B. Shuboy; supported by S. Zube.

### **Non-Discrimination Statement**

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## 6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion for approval of the Consent Agenda as presented in the attached documentation, by B. Shuboy, supported by S. Zube.

A. Personnel Report

B. Walmsley provided an update on personnel changes.

### RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS

**Bargowski, Jodie**

Title I Teacher  
Resignation

**Cameron Land**

Childcare Aide  
Resignation

**Christa McLeod**

Teacher  
Resignation

**Meghan Radoicic**

Teacher  
Resignation

**Halley Reed**

Assistant Cook  
Resignation

**Jill Ruhlman**

Preschool Aide  
Resignation

### NEW HIRES

**Cindy Arft**

Assistant Cook

**Jodi Bargowski**

Title I Teacher

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**Deborah Dobbs**  
Substitute Bus Driver

**Kimberly Ellis**  
Head Cook (High School)

**Krista Falk**  
Teacher

**Vanessa Fuller**  
Preschool Aide

**Marie-Christine Garand**  
CTE Culinary Teacher

**Michael Gibson**  
Dean of Students (Lee Elementary)

**Caryn Kukuk**  
Preschool Aide

**Daniel Molina**  
Volleyball Coach

**Laura Ottenbacher**  
GSRP Teacher

**Sarah Patuschyn**  
Secretary (Middle School)

**Emily Patterson**  
Social Studies Teacher

**Kristen Roseberg**  
Preschool Aide

**Halley Schwab**  
Preschool Teacher

**Jamie Moore**  
Substitute Cook

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Previously Hired By the District

**Brett Berg**

CTE/Social Studies Teacher

- B. Board Meeting Minutes
  - 1. 08-23-2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

No noted concerns from the Board of Education.

- C. Claims and Accounts
  - No noted concerns from the Board.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Motion Carries: 6-0

**7. BOND UPDATE**

B. Walmsley provided an update:

We are compiling a punch list to start closing out projects and finalizing them.

- Thank you to staff for being helpful and positive.
- Bid package for next summer's project will go out in October.

**8. PRESENTATION(S)**

A. Instructional Spotlight: Little Inventors

R. Ara provided an update regarding the Little Inventors STEM Challenge.

- Recognized Ava Vance, 4<sup>th</sup> Grader at Richmond Middle School.
- Ms. Charlebois and Ava spoke briefly about the project.
- Ms. Ara presented Ava with the Richmond Innovation Award
- Ava spoke briefly about the project.
- The Board of Education took a photo with Ava and her mom.

B. Instructional Spotlight: Grade K-5 S.T.E.A.M. Curriculum

- R. Ara provided an overview of the curriculum.
- Ann Durst thanked the Board for their support of the S.T.E.A.M Program. She also spoke about the curriculum.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Michon provided feedback regarding emails received, which were passed on to B. Walmsley for follow up. Reminded the community regarding starting with the teacher, then administration at the buildings, then to the superintendent so that they may be addressed.

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Feedback from parents:

- **Kelly Oldani** thanked the Board and provided feedback regarding her children's positive experience coming back to school. She also addressed questions regarding references in the Student Handbook on Page 10 that requires clarification.

Parent would like to know if the testing referenced on page 10 is for COVID-19 and if so, she would like to know if it will be provided on the premises? If it will, who is going to be providing the testing? Parent would also like clarification regarding invasive physical screening that is referenced in this and have a better understanding of what this means.

- **Shelby Paul** thanked the Board for listening to parents. She also asked a question on behalf of a parent regarding whether one of the crosswalks on the main drag. She was wondering if a stop sign, or cross guard would be there.

## **10. SUPERINTENDENT AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

B. Walmsley thanked parents for their patience. It was a great first day.

### Legislative Update

We received some guidance for our ESSER III funds.

## **11. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

- K. Simmons: None
- A. Pacitto: Welcomed everyone back and thanked parents, staff and the community for their patience.
- S. Zube: None
- M. Teltow: Recognized people who walked in the parade with members of the Board. She thanked staff and administrators who walked in the parade as well.
- B. Shuboy: Welcomed everyone back.
- D. Michon: Welcomed everyone back and thanked staff and anyone who walked in the parade.

## **12. CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER MATERIALS EXEMPT FROM DISCUSSION OR DISCLOSURE BY STATE OR FEDERAL STATUTE PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(H) OF THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

Motion by K. Simmons, supported by M. Teltow, pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, I move that the Board of Education go into Closed Session to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

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### Roll Call Vote

D. Michon: Aye  
S. Zube: Aye  
M. Teltow: Aye  
A. Pacitto: Aye  
K. Simmons: Aye  
B. Shuboy: Aye

Motion carries: 6-0

Closed Session began at 7:42pm.  
Closed Session ended at 8:09pm.

### **13. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned by D. Michon at 8:10pm.

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