

Richmond Community Schools

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of 09-11-2017

7:00 pm on September 11, 2017 in the Richmond High School Media Center

MISSION STATEMENT

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A Regular Meeting of the Richmond Board of Education was held on Monday, September 11, 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 Margaret Teltow, President of the Board of Education.

3. MISSION STATEMENT

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4. ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent:

Others Present: A.Birkmeier, D. Kochan, K. Bartels, D. Michon, T. Schadd,

Non-Discrimination Statement

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5. APPROVE AGENDA

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

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

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

7. FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT PROGRAM

High School Principal, Deborah Michon, introduced five of the eight foreign exchange students who are attending Richmond High School this year. She had each student tell the audience their name and where they were from, and a little something about themselves:

8. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Student Achievement Update

Anthony Birkmeier, Director of Curriculum and Educational Services, provided an overview of the M-Step and SAT scores. In most cases the growth was above the State average. Based on the two years of data, there has been a twenty point jump from the first year to the second year in the SAT scores.

B. Discussion on Commemoration of School Facilities (Board Policy 7250) -

Policy 7250 – Commemoration and Naming of School Facilities was discussed. Mr. Walmsley provided examples from other districts of the same policy. It was suggested that a sub-committee be formed to discuss the policy further and bring information back to the Board. Members, Ryan Edberg, David Wirth, and Kyle Simmons volunteered to be a part of that committee.

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9. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Teresa Ranger thanked the Board for inviting the Foreign Exchange Students. She thought it was a wonderful opportunity for all involved.
- Nick Matthes asked for help with the Robotics team. He said it is in need of a Head Mentor Coach.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT-Haley Fortuna

- All Schools are off to a great start.
- Lee School will have a Book Fair October 9th – 13th.
- Middle School began its WEB (Where Everyone Belongs) program.
- High School students will be painting their parking spots this weekend as a fund-raiser for the senior account.
- Homecoming is October 14th.

11. SUPERINTENDENT AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- The first week of school went well.
- Head count looks promising.
- Legislature now back in session, so not much to report at this time.

12. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- Member, K. Furtaw, was happy with the Good Old Days parade turn-out.
- Member, T. Bartell, is happy to see the “I Choose Richmond Community Schools” signs all around her township of Columbus.
- Member, K. Simmons, attended all of the new family dinners and thanked Sue Bevins for coordinating the food and the Administrators and staff for their hard work.

13. CLOSED SESSION – ATTORNEY/CLIENT COMMUNICATION

Motion: Moved by member K. Furtaw and supported by S. Gillies to move to closed session for the purpose of an attorney/client communication.

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

14. ADJOURNMENT

President, Margaret Teltow concluded the meeting and adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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