

Richmond Community Schools

35276 Division * Richmond, Michigan 48062 * (586) 727-3565 * www.richmond.k12.mi.us

Margaret Teltow, President
Kristine Furtaw, Vice President
Sarah Gillies, Secretary
Kyle Simmons, Treasurer
Traci Bartell, Trustee
Ryan Edberg, Trustee
David Wirth, Trustee
Brian J. Walmsley, Ed.S.
Superintendent

Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of 04-24-2017

7:00 pm on April 24, 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, April 24, 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 of the Blue Buddy Program led by Mrs. Kyle Bartels and Mrs. Ashley Gibson: Student in attendance were: Jaelyn Amhdar, Madison Schultz, Carson Gray, Christopher Czerwinski, Skylar Swartz, Morgan Moore, Kobe Byrd, and Mason Pierce.

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:

Others Present: A.Birkmeier, D. Kochan, K. Bartels, D. Michon, V. Laseke,
H. Napier

Non-Discrimination Statement

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, and Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1977, it is the policy of the Richmond Community School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, military status, national origin or ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age (except as authorized by law,) height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to, discrimination during any program, activity, service or in employment. Should you need to contact someone about discrimination of any kind in the school district, contact the Superintendent at 35276 Division, Richmond, MI 48062, Phone: 586-727-3565

5. APPROVE AGENDA

President Teltow recommended an amendment to the agenda: Move Item 13 to item 15.

Motion: Moved by member R. Edberg and supported by K. Simmons to approve the agenda as amended.

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

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies 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.) Blue Buddy Program: Student Christopher Czerwinski explained to the audience that the Blue Buddy Program is a mentorship program where the National Junior Honor Society students go to the Lee Elementary School and establish bonds with the Kindergarten students. They go there twice a month on Tuesdays and help the students with their classroom work. By helping the younger students, it in turn helps the older students by building social, teaching and public speaking skills. Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Gibson spoke on behalf of the Kindergarten children who are benefiting from this program. She says that the kids call them their “Tuesday Friends” and they enjoy having them join their classroom every other Tuesday. This was the first year that the program has been implemented and everyone involved would agree that it was a success.

Non-Discrimination Statement

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, and Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1977, it is the policy of the Richmond Community School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, military status, national origin or ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age (except as authorized by law,) height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to, discrimination during any program, activity, service or in employment. Should you need to contact someone about discrimination of any kind in the school district, contact the Superintendent at 35276 Division, Richmond, MI 48062, Phone: 586-727-3565

8. PRESENTATIONS

A. 2016-17 Teacher of the Year Nominees and Recipients:

The following teachers who were nominated for Teacher of The Year were recognized:

Ed Delore, Megan Gabridge, Dr. Mark Ladd, Kristie Lashbrook, Mike Murphy, Mike Rineer, John Schleder, Aimee Smallwood, Karen Van Ham, Melissa Wolfe, Molly Schack, Kyle Bartels, Krista Brown, Kathy Campau, Matthew Clendennin, Brandon Day, Cheryl Jahr, Brian Jarsma, and Julie Zvonek. They were each given a certificate of recognition.

Teacher of the Year for Will L. Lee Elementary – Mrs. Yvonne Wirth – Mr. Dave Kochan, Principal turned the microphone over to Student, Faith Thomson, who spoke kindly of Mrs. Wirth.

Teacher of the Year for Richmond Middle School – Mrs. Jacqueline Davidson – Mr. Keith Bartels, Principal, turned the microphone over to Student, Skylar Swartz, who explained what she liked about Mrs. Davidson.

Teacher of the Year for Richmond High School – Mrs. Veronica Belf – Ms. Deb Michon, Principal, turned the microphone over to Students, Mikala Evans, Jaret Gil, and Jessica Weaver, who said some very nice things about Mrs. Belf.

B. Fiscal Year 2018 Budget – Presentation #7:

Mr. Walmsley reviewed the proposed reductions and revenues with the board members and audience. A complete line by line budget proposal of the expenses was also provided to the board members.

9. BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Lee Elementary:

- The Read-a-thon has ended and some students were rewarded with a lunch with Mr. Kochan.
- The April 13th Blue Ticket winners at Lee Elementary earned tickets for being respectful, responsible, and using caution. Great job everyone!

Middle School:

- The Read-A-Thon ended with a volleyball match in the library to cap off a month of activities.
- The Friday before Mother's Day, mothers will be celebrated at a breakfast before school.

Non-Discrimination Statement

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, and Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1977, it is the policy of the Richmond Community School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, military status, national origin or ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age (except as authorized by law,) height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to, discrimination during any program, activity, service or in employment. Should you need to contact someone about discrimination of any kind in the school district, contact the Superintendent at 35276 Division, Richmond, MI 48062, Phone: 586-727-3565

High School:

- The high school musical, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, was performed this past weekend with great reviews.
- The high school students are busy preparing for Teacher Appreciation week.
- The Forensics class is conducting their annual murder mystery.
- The varsity baseball team won the tournament in North Branch, MI this past weekend.
- The Prom will be on May 8th at Alexander's in Marysville. The theme is Hollywood.
- There will be a blood drive held at the high school on May 8th.

10. SUPERINTENDENT AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

School Update:

- Mr. Walsmley asked the Business Manager, Vicki Laseke to explain a recent MEA Presentation document "Review of 2016-17 Budget Projection" She explained that in the "Budget Transparency Report of Operating Expenditures for 2015-16" graph, the function code for athletics #293 is included with the Instructional expenditures. In the other source document, the "General Amended Appropriations Resolution for the 2016-17 General Fund Budget", the document presents the instructional expenditures but does not include the Athletics expenditures. If the Budget Transparency Report for 2015-16 did not include Function 293 (Athletics) in the Instructional Expenditures and would have been put in Central and Other Support Services, then the two documents would have been more closely comparable.
- Mr. Walsmley also announced that as of 6:59 p.m. tonight, a tentative agreement had been reached with the Richmond Education Association. It will be effective until the year 2019.

Legislative Update:

- No recent updates.

11. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- Kyle Simmons stated that the informational meeting mentioned at the last public comment was not attended by him because he was legally advised along with other board members not to attend.
- Margaret was in agreement with Kyle's statement. She also said that she attended the play this past weekend and they all did a nice job and it was fun.
- Traci Bartell commented on the fact that everyone is happy that the past two weeks of testing is finished and thanked everyone involved.

Non-Discrimination Statement

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, and Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1977, it is the policy of the Richmond Community School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, military status, national origin or ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age (except as authorized by law,) height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to, discrimination during any program, activity, service or in employment. Should you need to contact someone about discrimination of any kind in the school district, contact the Superintendent at 35276 Division, Richmond, MI 48062, Phone: 586-727-3565

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

13. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of MISD FY 2018 Budget Approval

Motion: Moved by member T. Bartell and supported by K. Simmons to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Fiscal Year 2018 Macomb Intermediate Schools District (MISD) budget as presented on April 10, 2017 and outlined in the attached documents and resolution.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (6-0) (Mrs. Teltow abstained from voting as she is an employee of the MISD)

B. Approval of Literacy Library Materials

Motion: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by S. Gillies to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of literacy library books as listed in the attached documentation for a total not to exceed \$43,092.47 which funding from the appropriate 2016-17 Title I grant is authorized and presented in the attached documentation.

Roll Call: Ayes: K. Furtaw, S. Gillies, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, R. Edberg, D. Wirth, M. Teltow
Nays: None
Motion Carries (7-0)

14. CLOSED SESSION: ATTORNEY/CLIENT COMMUNICATION

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Simmons to move to closed session for an attorney/client communication at 8:18 p.m.

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

Returned to open session at 9:15 p.m.

Non-Discrimination Statement

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, and Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1977, it is the policy of the Richmond Community School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, military status, national origin or ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age (except as authorized by law,) height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to, discrimination during any program, activity, service or in employment. Should you need to contact someone about discrimination of any kind in the school district, contact the Superintendent at 35276 Division, Richmond, MI 48062, Phone: 586-727-3565

15. CLOSED SESSION: NEGOTIATIONS

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Simmons to move to closed session for the purpose of negotiations at 9:15 p.m.

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

16. ADJOURNMENT

President, Margaret Teltow concluded the meeting and adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Non-Discrimination Statement

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, and Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act of 1977, it is the policy of the Richmond Community School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, military status, national origin or ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age (except as authorized by law,) height, weight, or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to, discrimination during any program, activity, service or in employment. Should you need to contact someone about discrimination of any kind in the school district, contact the Superintendent at 35276 Division, Richmond, MI 48062, Phone: 586-727-3565