

Richmond Community Schools

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Brian J. Walmsley, Ed.S.
Superintendent

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

7:00PM OCTOBER 14, 2019 IN THE MEDIA CENTER OF RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL

1. CALL TO ORDER

J. Sexton called the Meeting to Order at 7:00pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board of Education led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. MISSION STATEMENT

A. Pacitto, Secretary read the District's Mission Statement, *"At Richmond Community Schools, we provide a quality education that empowers students to be successful in a global community."*

4. ROLL CALL

A. Pacitto, Secretary, took Roll Call

Present: J. Sexton, A. Pacitto, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube, K. Furtaw

Absent with Notice: S. Gillies

Quorum: 6-0

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motioned by K. Furtaw seconded by A. Pacitto to approve the Agenda as presented.

Ayes: J. Sexton, A. Pacitto, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube, K. Furtaw

Nays: none

Motion Carries: 6 to 0

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Walmsley would like to amend the Personnel Report to remove the latest new hire.

Motioned by S. Zube seconded K. Simmons to approve the amended Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes: J. Sexton, A. Pacitto, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube, K. Furtaw

Nays: none

Non-Discrimination Statement

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Motion Carries: 6 to 0

7. CLOSED SESSION FOR 101419 STUDENT DISCIPLINE HEARING PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(B) OF THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT

Motioned by K. Furtaw seconded by K. Simmons to move that the Board of Education go into Closed Session for the purposes of a Student Disciplinary Hearing for Student 101419 pursuant to Section 8(b) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: J. Sexton, A. Pacitto, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube, K. Furtaw

Nays: none

Motion Carries: 6 to 0

Entered:

Exited:

8. PRESENTATION

A. Student Achievement Presentation

1. Will L. Lee Elementary School

D. Kochan

Mr. Kochan provided student achievement data updates including averages compared to other students in the county and state. S. Zube and A. Pacitto asked questions in regards to 3rd grade test scores.

2. Richmond Middle School

K. Bartels

Mr. Bartels provided student achievement data updates for NWEA, PSAT and MSTEP including averages compared to other students in the county and state.

3. Richmond High School

A. Kastl

Mr. Kastl provided student achievement data updates on 2019 spring testing including averages compared to other students in the county and state. Testing included SAT and PSAT testing.

B. 1st Reading of Board Bylaws and Policies

B. Walmsley

Mr. Walmsley discussed revisions and updates to several board bylaws and policies.

C. Donation of Bleachers

C. Rinehart

The athletic department is looking for a grant to fund the purchase of new bleachers; board approval is needed because of the amount of the total cost of the bleachers.

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D. Bond Update

Superintendent Walmsley discussed the current bond election update with the board. 4,400 cards were mailed out last week to Richmond residents. The cards have a brief survey and information on the bond.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

NONE

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

A. Radjewski

Lee- October 1st Mr. Shepherd donated dictionaries. The fire department visited for fire prevention class. Lee held their Red Wings tickets fundraiser last week that earned them \$930.

Middle School – Sports are coming to an end and homecoming was a success. PTA sponsored Boo Bash is this Friday.

High School- 40 students took the PSAT this week. College application week was last week and went well. DECA had their first meeting last week and the club is growing. The Devil's Den is now opened during the school day.

11. SUPERINTENDENT AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

B. Walmsley

District-

Mr. Walmsley updated the board on several district events that are coming up in the near future.

Legislative-

Governor Signed the School Aid bill but vetoed about \$1 billion line-items.

Supplemental Budgets Introduced in House and Senate

This week, Republicans in the House and Senate each introduced a series of bills to reinstate specific funding that was vetoed in the budget by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. Five of the bills were in the School Aid Fund:

- Senate Bill 555 & House Bill 5077 - Sec. 11, reinstate the per pupil increase for charter schools (\$35 million)
- Senate Bill 556 & House Bill 5079 - Sec. 61c, appropriate \$16 million of Talent and Investment Fund dollars for CTE equipment upgrades.
- Senate Bill 558 & House Bill 5078 - Sec. 35a, include \$15 million for summer school for third graders who are not proficient in English language arts.

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- Senate Bill 561 & House Bill 5080 - Sec. 97, appropriate \$10 million for a panic button app and some school safety upgrades (\$5.2 million from SAF, \$4.8 million from the General Fund).
- Senate Bill 575 & House Bill 5093 - Sec. 22d, reinstate the supplemental payments for small and isolated districts (\$7 million).

Inspection Bill Receives Hearing in House Education Committee

Earlier this week, the House Education Committee began taking testimony on House Bill 4739, which would require all school buildings, public and nonpublic, to have an annual safety inspection conducted by the Department of Health and Human Services. It would also include recreational and athletic structures.

MDHHS would have to notify the district within 14 days after the inspection of any violations that need to be corrected. The district would then have 14 days to respond with proof that remediation had been made to correct such violations.

12. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board of Education

K. Furtaw stated her and M. Teltow visited the new robotics facility and were very impressed with it. M. Teltow said it is great the students get to practice on a regulation arena.

J. Sexton attended the Zoo field trip and said it was an excellent trip.

13. ACTION ITEM(S)

A. Approval of Bus Purchase

Motioned by M. Teltow seconded by K. Simmons to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of one (1) bus from Midwest Transit for a total not to exceed \$91,355.00 from the 2019-20 General Fund budget, which includes using the insurance settlement proceeds, as outlined in the attached documentation.

Roll call

Ayes: J. Sexton, A. Pacitto, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube, K. Furtaw

Nays: none

Motion Carries: 6 to 0

B. Board Action on Student 101419 Discipline Hearing

Motioned by A. Pacitto seconded by K. Furtaw to suspend Student 101419, consistent with the attached resolution following a Closed Session Hearing.

Roll call

Ayes: J. Sexton, A. Pacitto, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube, K. Furtaw

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Nays: none
Motion Carries: 6 to 0

14. 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

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

Roll call

Ayes: J. Sexton, A. Pacitto, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube, K. Furtaw

Nays: none

Motion Carries: 6 to 0

15. ADJOURNMENT

S. Gillies adjourned the meeting at 9:38pm.

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