

Richmond Community Schools

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Superintendent

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

7:00PM, NOVEMBER 12, 2018 IN THE MEDIA CENTER OF RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL

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 8.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** President M. Teltow called the meeting to order at 7:00pm
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Mrs. Durst's STEAM Program
and Ms. Gibson/Ms. McCoy's
Kindergarten Classes
- 3. MISSION STATEMENT** Read by T. Bartell
- 4. ROLL CALL**
Members Present: T. Bartell, M. Teltow, K. Furtaw, S. Gillies. K. Simmons, S. Boyd, J. Sexton
Member Absent: None
- 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Motion: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by S. Gillies to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Consent Agenda as presented in the attached documentation.
Voice Vote: Ayes: T. Bartell, M. Teltow, K. Furtaw, S. Gillies. K. Simmons, S. Boyd, J. Sexton
Nays: None
Motion Carries 7-0

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6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Moved by member K. Furtaw and supported by member T. Bartell to approve the Consent Agenda as presented in the attached documentation.

VOICE VOTE: Ayes: T. Bartell, M. Teltow, K. Furtaw, S. Gillies, K. Simmons, S. Boyd, J. Sexton

Nays: None

Motion Carries 7-0

7. TRUE BLUE MOMENT

A. Elementary STEAM Program

A. Durst

Ms. Durst discussed the Elementary STEAM program's accomplishments and activities. She showed various projects built by students. Students' demonstrated one of their projects to the Board of Education.

B. Ms. Gibson and Ms. McCoy's Kindergarten Classes

A. Gibson/L. McCoy

Ms. Gibson and Ms. McCoy presented on the kindergarten pumpkin investigation project.

8. PRESENTATIONS

A. FY2018 Audit Budget Presentation

J. Sopczynski,
Yeo & Yeo

Mr. Sopczynski presented the results of the FY18 Budget Audit to the Board of Education. He discussed the process of the audit and the results. He complimented T. Schadd and the rest of the Business Office staff on their organization and preparation.

B. 2018-19 School Improvement Update

1. Will L. Lee Elementary School

D. Kochan

Mr. Kochan presented on the Lee school improvement goals. The presentation focused on reading and writing. Mr. Kochan also discussed the professional development goals for teachers.

2. Richmond Middle School

K. Bartels

Mr. Bartels discussed Middle School improvement goals and the process that it is involved with school improvement.

3. Richmond High School

A. Kastl

Mr. Kastl presented the Richmond High School improvement plan. He discussed individualized plans to assess student needs. He also discussed developing an idea of student needs through a variety of tests and data from NWEA and other sources.

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C. Baseball Overnight Trip – Florida

S. Evans

Mr. Evans discussed the overnight baseball trip to Florida. He noted that the trip takes place over Spring Break and the trip was planned by parents. 25 students will be going.

D. High School Gymnasium Scoreboard

C. Rinehart

Mr. Rinehart presented information on updating the scoreboards in the Richmond High School gymnasium. He also discussed using a company that assists with the funding of the new scoreboard through advertising.

E. Auditorium Lighting Bid

B. Walmsley

Mr. Walmsley discussed the Richmond High School lighting bid and the upgrades that will be made to the facility through the use of bond money.

F. Snow Plowing/Removal & Salting, Lawn Mowing and Athletic Field Painting Services

B. Walmsley

Mr. Walmsley discussed the Snow Plowing/Removal & Salting, Lawn Mowing, and Athletic Field Painting Services bid.

G. First Reading of Board Policy

B. Walmsley

Superintendent Walmsley discussed and read the new NEOLA board Policies and presented his suggested changes to the policies.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

Tammy Stafford discussed her concerns with standards based grading.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

A. Radjewski

Ms. Radjewski presented the following updates for each District building:

Elementary School – student kindness rock garden. Green club is collecting bottles to turn in to a bench. Veterans day celebration. Nov. 13 kens country kitchen donating percentage of sales.

Middle School- The first marking period just ended. Winter sports are beginning at the Middle School. The annual holocaust museum trip is coming up. The Middle School held its fall book fair last week.

High School- Math day was held at the high school, students thought that it was a good program to have at the high school. November 7th was women's' interact self-defense course. The High School play is this Thursday and Friday at 7:00pm and Saturday at 2:00pm. The Interact Club is participating in kindness week by painting rocks with kind messages to place around community.

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Lame Duck Session is Here, Join Us for Views from the Capitol- Now that the election is over and the dust is starting to settle, the Legislature returns for its lame duck legislative session. The House and Senate are expected to meet for about 12 more days before the end of the year.

SB271 Repeals ban on schools starting before Labor Day, however districts could not have school on Mondays or Fridays in August.

HB5157 Repeals ban on schools starting before Labor Day, however districts could not have school on Mondays or Fridays in August.

SB384 Expand the use of sinking funds to include purchasing school buses.

SB584 Allow concealed carry in pistol-free zones, including schools, ban open carry in same zones.

SB784, 786 & 827 Clarifies law surrounding do-not-resuscitate orders for minors and enforcement at school.

SB795 Ban union leave time from counting toward retirement.

SB796 Ban collective bargaining agreements that allow for paid release time for union activities.

SB924 Allows for a school or other entities to hire private security police and gives them the same arrest authorities as local police.

HB4163 Makes calendar a prohibited subject of bargaining.

HB4184 Physical presence to vote. Creates a violation of the Open Meetings Act if a board member votes remotely.

HB4205 Prohibits any state rule from being stricter than federal rule/law.

HB4315-4316 Revises graduation requirements related to foreign language, arts and computer coding.

HB4317 Allows MI Occupational Safety and Health Administration training to count toward the health credit required for graduation.

HB4318 Allows students to take statistics to fulfill the Algebra II requirement for graduation.

HB5526 Establishes an A-F grading system for public schools and repeals the school reform/redesign office law.

House Education Debates Fingerprinting Student Teachers- On Thursday, the House Committee on Education held its first hearing on House Bill 5543, which would require school districts, ISDs and public-school academies to subject a student teacher to the same criminal history check requirements they would face if they were employing that individual. Specifically, we support the idea that these individuals should undergo background checks but question whether local districts should be in charge of the process instead of the student teacher's university.

House Committee Considers MPSERS Payroll Changes - The House Committee on Financial Liability Reform approved House Bill 6378 on Thursday. In committee, it was amended to make a change to the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System. It strikes a provision first added in 2017 that adjusts an employer's payroll base

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by the annual growth in its "payroll plus purchased services" (payroll and contracted services) and returns to applying the contribution rates to an employer's actual annual payroll. The bill is now before the full House for its consideration.

House and Senate Elect Caucus Leadership - On Thursday, the House and Senate Democratic and Republican Caucuses elected their leadership for next session.

Mr. Walmsley discussed growing enrollment numbers and three options: eliminate a program such as art or STEAM, move to portable classrooms, or reopen the unused wing at Richmond Middle School by moving the fourth grade to the Middle School. Mr. Walmsley's preference is to move fourth grade to the middle school.

Questions from the board about this issue: S. Gillies states she originally didn't like the idea of moving the fourth graders to middle school. Stated she is concerned with younger students walking through halls with older students, but after speaking with Mr. Walmsley she is more open to the idea. M. Teltow stated she doesn't like the idea of portables because it is a bad look for the district, she also stated she doesn't agree with eliminating programs. Her biggest issue with the move is that the community acted unfavorably about it. T. Bartell asked how this relates to strategic planning with the district and if this idea relates to that process. She also stated that she doesn't like the idea of portable classrooms.

12. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board of Education

None

13. ACTION ITEM

A. Unpaid Leave of Absence Request

MOTION: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by T. Bartell to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the unpaid leave of absence, as outlined by Article XII of the Master Agreement between the Richmond Board of Education and MEA-NEA Local 1, Richmond Education Association, for Jacqueline Davidson effective December 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 as outlined in the attached documentation.

VOICE VOTE: Ayes: T. Bartell, M. Teltow, S. Gillies. K. Simmons, S. Boyd, J. Sexton, K. Furtaw

Nays: None

Motion Carries 7-0

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B. Auditorium Lighting Bid

MOTION: Moved by member T. Bartell and supported by K. Furtaw to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and award a contract to Fantasee Lighting for Auditorium Stage Lighting and Sound Equipment for an amount not to exceed \$44,880.00, plus 10% for unknown site conditions, for which funding from the 2013 voter-approved Bond is authorized, as outlined in the attached documentation

ROLL CALL: Ayes: T. Bartell, M. Teltow, S. Gillies. K. Simmons, S. Boyd, J. Sexton, K. Furtaw

Nays: None

Motion Carries 7-0

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

MOTION: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by S. Gillies to go in to closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

VOICE VOTE: Ayes: T. Bartell, M. Teltow, K. Furtaw, S. Gillies. K. Simmons, S. Boyd, J. Sexton

Nays: None

Motion Carries 7-0

Enter: 10:07pm

Exit: 10:55pm

15. CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF NEGOTIATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(C) OF THE MICHIGAN OPEN MEETINGS ACT

MOTION: Moved by member _____ and supported by _____ to go in to closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act for the purposes of negotiations.

VOICE VOTE: Ayes: T. Bartell, M. Teltow, K. Furtaw, S. Gillies. K. Simmons, S. Boyd, J. Sexton

Nays: None

Motion Carries 7-0

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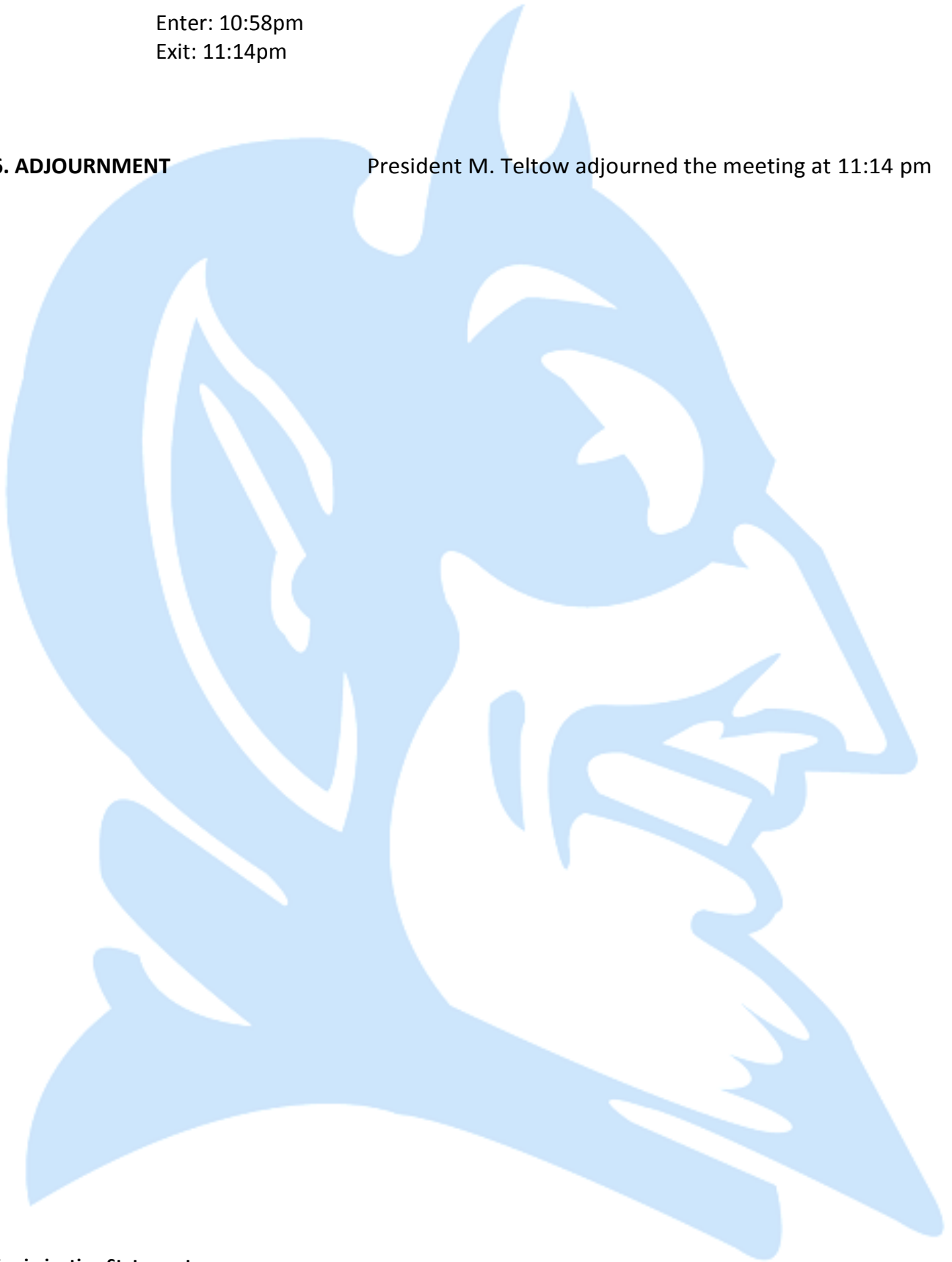
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Enter: 10:58pm

Exit: 11:14pm

16. ADJOURNMENT

President M. Teltow adjourned the meeting at 11:14 pm



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