

Richmond Community Schools

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Sarah Gillies, President
Jessica Sexton, Vice President
Angela Pacitto, Secretary
Kyle Simmons, Treasurer
Kristine Furtaw, Trustee
Margaret Teltow, Trustee
Sherri Zube, Trustee

Brian J. Walmsley, Ed.S.
Superintendent

BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

7:00PM, MAY 28, 2019 IN THE MEDIA CENTER OF RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Absent with Notice:

Quorum: 7-0

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

Motion Carries: 7 to 0

6. PRESENTATION

A. Discussion of candidates for the MISD Biennial Election Meeting

Ms. Pacitto stated she met Mr. Hubler from the MISD board and she supports him. S. Gillies stated that she supports both MISD candidates. The board agreed with both Ms. Pacitto and Ms. Gillies in supporting both candidates.

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 (including 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 employment. Inquiries related to any nondiscrimination policies should be directed to the Superintendent, 35276 Division Road, Richmond, MI 48062, (586) 727-3565.

B. Facilities Assessment and Bond Discussion

Mr. Walmsley discussed the Richmond Community Schools needs assessment in regard to facility maintenance. He discussed some potential facility upgrades based on the needs of the district and the anticipated growth of the district. Mr. Walmsley discussed a sinking fund, bond issues, and millage proposals, and the difference between each one and the best for Richmond Schools. Mr. Walmsley presented the PowerPoint from PFM Financial discussing a bond proposal. M. Teltow asked why the athletic needs weren't addressed before. A. Pacitto asked if anyone ever tried to get the AUD designated as a historical building. S. Gillies asked if we kept the 4th grade at the middle school would it open up more funds for building enhancements. K. Furtaw wants to know difference in turf and grass field. M. Teltow wants to know cost for up keep on a turf field. M. Teltow wants to know specific costs and the superintendent's recommendation. Board members voiced their concern with the specifics on costs of athletic bond dollar allocation.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

John Kocher addressed the board discussing his support of the bond and how he thinks the community would rally around the idea of supporting Richmond Athletics.

Brett Burg addressed the board discussing his support for the bond noting that he moved to Richmond just for Richmond Athletics.

Chris Davis addressed the board sharing her family's positive experience with Richmond Athletics and her support for the bond.

Allison Valentine addressed the board voicing her support for the bond.

Scott Keller addressed the board noting his appreciation and support for Richmond Athletics and the upcoming bond.

Corey Misko addressed the board expressing her love of Richmond Schools and hope for the board to allocate funds for athletic upgrades in the upcoming bond.

Dave Varga addressed the board about the upcoming bond and his hope for the board to eliminate pay to play and for the board to approve a bond with athletic upgrades.

Scott Evans addressed the board discussing his experiences with Richmond Schools and athletics and his desire for the board to support a bond that includes athletic upgrades.

Preston Treend addressed the board expressing his opinion on the potential return on investment with a bond that includes athletic upgrades.

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Jim Tavano addressed the board expressing his opinion supporting a bond that included athletic improvements and how it would positively impact the district as a whole.

8. ACTION ITEM

A. Approval of resolution to designate electoral representative to cast a vote on behalf of the RCS Board of Education at the MISD Biennial Election Meeting

Motioned by S. Zube seconded by A. Pacitto to direct Sherri Zube and Angela Pacitto as the electoral representative and alternative for Richmond Community Schools, to cast a vote on behalf of this Board of Education for Edward V. Farley and Donald R. Hubler at the Macomb Intermediate School District Biennial Election meeting on June 3, 2019, as outlined in the attached resolution.

Ayes: K. Furtaw, S. Gillies, A. Pacitto, J. Sexton, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube
Motion Carries: 7 to 0

B. Authorization for Superintendent to complete the required documentation for a Bond and submit to the Department of Treasury

Motioned by M. Teltow seconded by K. Furtaw to table the authorization for Superintendent to complete the required documentation for a Bond and submit to the Department of Treasury.

Ayes: K. Furtaw, S. Gillies, A. Pacitto, J. Sexton, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, S. Zube
Motion Carries: 7 to 0

9. ADJOURNMENT

S. Gillies adjourned the meeting at 8:56pm

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