

Richmond Community Schools

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of 05-14-2018

7:00 pm on May 14, 2018 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, May 14, 2018 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 students from the Mrs. Walter's 4th Grade Class and Mrs. Yaek's Advanced Placement Literature Class:

The following students were in attendance: Lily Ahrens, Payton Day, Grace Rowley, Krizia Tomas, Carley Barjaktarovich, Juliana Cieglo, Haley Fortuna, Sophia Kesler, Clayton Maksymiuk, Anna Maxwell, Hailey Reed, Emily Simmons, Courtney Tessmer, Jessica Weaver.

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, Trustee

4. ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent: R. Edberg with notice

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

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5. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion: Moved by member T. Bartell and supported by S. Gillies to approve the agenda as amended (President Teltow took the Personnel portion out of the consent agenda as there was nothing to report.)

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (6-0)

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Moved by member K. Furtaw and supported by D. Wirth to approve the consent agenda as amended.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (6-0)

7. TRUE BLUE MOMENT:

A. Top Ten:

The top ten high school seniors were celebrated. The following students were in attendance: Carley Barjaktarovich, Sophia Kesler, Clayton Maksymiuk, Anna Maxwell, Jessica Weaver, Haley Fortuna, Emily Simmons, Michael Bullock, Courtney Tessmer, Juliana Cieglo. Each student was asked to speak about themselves and were presented with a certificate from Mr. Walmsley and the Board of Education.

8. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Overnight Field Trip Presentation – European Tour

Mrs. Ameer Smallwood presented a request for approval of the European tour to take place March 28, 2019 to April 6, 2019. The major places to be visited are Barcelona Spain, and parts of France and Italy. Students and chaperones will be using personal funds.

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B. Donation for Athletic Field Improvements

John Foster from Foster Oil approached Chris Rinehart, High School Dean of Students, about donating a concrete foundation for bleachers around the Girls Varsity Softball field. He then agreed to donate the concrete foundation for both the Varsity Boys and Girls fields. This donation will ensure the District meets Title IX compliance for comparable facilities for boys and girls sports.

C. Fiscal Year Budget Presentation #3

Superintendent Brian Walmsley provided the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Presentation #3. He reminded the board that they had agreed upon basing the budget foundation on the \$230.00 per pupil increase based on the Senate budget. He reviewed the projected enrollment and provided participation numbers from the past two years for freshmen sports. A suggestion was made that freshmen sports be funded approximately \$8000.00 next school year with the assumption that efforts would be made throughout that year with fund raising to cover the costs the following year. The board will then reconsider freshmen sports for the 2019-2020 school year. Declining projected allocations for Title Funds were also discussed.

D. Bond Projects – Phase Three

With the final bond sale, a new bus and bus camera system will be action items at tonight's meeting. Some of the projected purchases with the final bond money are:

- Middle School Gymnasium sound system
- High School Auditorium Lighting
- Culinary Arts Room Remodel
- Music chairs and stands
- Upgrade the Wi-Fi Access Points
- Computer Lab Upgrades (all schools)
- 1.1 Devices

9. CLOSED SESSION

Motion: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by K. Furtaw to move to closed session pursuant to Section 8(b) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act and upon the request of the student's parent, for the purpose of conducting a hearing to consider the discipline of a student whose identity is known to the Board as Student 151418 at 8:28 p.m.

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Voice Vote: All Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, M. Teltow, T. Bartell, S. Gillies, D. Wirth
Motion Carries (6-0)

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

10. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Student Nick Matthes announced that the High School Robotics went on to win Second in the World's Final Competition. He requested access to the building to continue summer work and projects concerning the robotics program.
- Comments were made regarding the possibility of ending transportation services to day care businesses in Richmond. All that spoke were in favor of keeping the transportation.

11. BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Elementary School:

- The PTO is collecting change for "change wars" this week and will celebrate on May 23rd. by having Mr. Kochan in the dunk tank.
- Books for bikes will take place for third graders next week.
- Preschool graduation is May 24th.
- Field day will take place on May 29th and 30th.

Middle School:

- Mornings with Mom took place last week to celebrate Mother's Day.
- The fifth graders will soon be attending the one-room school house at the park.
- Student government will soon be doing its annual clean up at the park for the Historical Society.
- The Middle School will be celebrating Memorial Day by holding a Freedom Run (5K) on May 25th.

High School:

- Band concerts took place last week.
- Choir concerts will take place this week.
- Graduation is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23rd at the Macomb Center for Performing Arts.
- Senior awards will take place this Thursday night.
- Varsity Girls Soccer won the BWAC Championship today.

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12. SUPERINTENDENT AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

Legislative:

- The budget should be finalized the week of May 21st with final votes on the budget possible before legislators leave for the Mackinac Policy Conference.
- State Superintendent, Brian Whiston, has passed away this week.
- Legislation was approved this week that requires permanent expulsion of any pupil who commits a sex crime against another pupil in the same public school district regardless of the attack's location.

School News:

- Five students graduated from Macomb Early College on Friday with their Associate Degree; Alexis Anthony, Eric Donato, Emily Kazmierczak, Kari Olsen, and Robert Trombley.
- Two of our EMT students passed the National Registry for EMT licensing exam and on the 18th birthday can be licensed by the State to work on an EMS vehicle.
- One of the students, Maryann McLeod is 18 years old and will apply for her license next week. She has already been offered a part time position with the Richmond-Lenox EMS.

13. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- Margaret enjoyed "James and Giant Peach"
- Traci thanked Margaret for handling the employee appreciation gifts that were distributed last week.

14. ACTION ITEMS

A. Student 051418 Discipline Hearing

Motion: Moved by member K. Furtaw and supported by K. Simmons that following a Closed Session hearing, the Board votes to suspend, a student whose identity is known to the Board of Education consistent with the attached resolution.

Voice Vote: All Ayes
Motion Carries (6-0)

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B. Approval of Overnight European Trip

Motion: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by D. Wirth to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve European Tour overnight trip as presented in the attached documentation.

Voice Vote: Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, S. Gillies, D. Wirth, M. Teltow
Nays: None
Motion Carries (6-0)

C. Approval of Literacy Library Books

Motion: Moved by member T. Bartell 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 \$60,550.54 which funding from the appropriate 2017-18 Title I grant is authorized and presented in the attached documentation.

Roll Call: Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, S. Gillies, D. Wirth, T. Bartell
Nays: None
Motion Carries (6-0)

D. Approval of Independent Classroom Libraries

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Furtaw to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of Independent Classroom Libraries as listed in the attached documentation for a total not to exceed \$84,014.39 which funding from the appropriate 2017-18 Title I grant is authorized and presented in the attached documentation.

Roll Call: Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, S. Gillies, D. Wirth, M. Teltow
Nays: None
Motion Carries (6-0)

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E. Approval of Bus Purchase

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Simmons to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of one (1) seventy-seven (77) passenger bus from Holland Bus Company at the cost of eighty-one thousand, five-hundred twenty-three dollars (\$81,523.00) as specified in the attached quote and for which funding from the 2013 Voter-approved Bond is authorized as indicated on the attached documentation.

Roll Call: Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, S. Gillies, D. Wirth, M. Teltow
Nays: None
Motion Carries (6-0)

F. Approval of Bus Camera Systems

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by D. Wirth to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of eight (8) Bus Camera Systems from A Parts Warehouse as listed in the attached documentation for a total not to exceed \$17,944.00 for which funding from the 2013 Voter Approved Bond is authorized and presented in the attached documentation.

Roll Call: Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, S. Gillies, D. Wirth, M. Teltow
Nays: None
Motion Carries (6-0)

G. Approval of Donation for Athletic Field Improvements

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies supported by K. Simmons to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and accept the donation for the athletic field improvements from the Foster Family and Foster Oil.

Voice Vote: Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, D. Wirth, M. Teltow, S. Gillies
Nays: None
Motion Carries (6-0)

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H. Approval of Termination of Director of Curriculum and Educational Services Contract

Motion: Moved by member K. Simmons and supported by K. Furtaw to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and non-renew the contract of the Director of Curriculum and Educational Services for budgetary reasons, effective July 1, 2018 as presented in the attached documentation and direct the Superintendent to issue any and all appropriate notifications.

Voice Vote: Ayes: K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, D. Wirth, M. Teltow, S. Gillies
Nays: None
Motion Carries (6-0)

15. CLOSED SESSION

Motion: Moved by member K. Furtaw and supported by K. Simmons to move to closed session to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state statute at 9:45 p.m.

Roll Call: All Ayes: M. Teltow, K. Furtaw, K. Simmons, T. Bartell, S. Gillies, D. Wirth
Motion Carries (6-0)

Returned to open session at 10:14 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT

President, Margaret Teltow concluded the meeting and adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

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