

Richmond Community Schools

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Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes of 05-09-2016

7:00 pm on May 9, 2016 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.

REGULAR Meeting Minutes of 05-09-2016

A Regular Meeting of the Richmond Board of Education was held on Monday, May 9, 2016, 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 the following students from Mrs. Durst's first grade class: Russell Bolen, Nick Savoie, Theresa Keller, Keegan Trombley, Annabella Cochrill, Brock Thomson and Lauren Rewalt.

3. MISSION STATEMENT

At Richmond Community Schools, we provide a quality education that empowers students to be successful in a global community. Read by Kris Furtaw, Secretary

4. ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent: J. Theut w/notice

Others Present: A. Birkmeier, K. Bartels, D. Mangune, V. Laseke, D. Michon, S. Bevins

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5. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Furtaw to approve the agenda as presented.

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

6. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Personnel Report
- B. Claims and Accounts
- C. Minutes from Previous Meetings
 - 1. April 11, 2016 – Regular Meeting
 - 2. April 11, 2016 – Closed Meeting A
 - 3. April 11, 2016 – Closed Meeting B
 - 4. April 16, 2016 – Special Board Meeting
 - 5. April 16, 2016 – Special Closed Meeting
 - 6. April 25, 2016 – Regular Board Meeting
 - 7. April 25, 2016 – Regular Board Meeting

Motion: Moved by member S. Gillies and supported by K. Simmons to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the consent agenda as presented.

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

7. TRUE BLUE

- A. Outstanding Teacher Recognition – A certificate was awarded for the following 2015-16 Outstanding Teacher for each building:
 - I. Ann Durst – Elementary – Principal Dave Mangune presented
 - II. Krista Brown – Middle School – Principal Keith Bartels presented
 - III. Aimee Smallwood – High School – Principal Deborah Michon presented

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- B. School Lunch Heroes – May 6th was School Lunch Heroes Day, which is a day set aside to recognize the contributions that food service members make to the educational success of students all over the country. Sue Bevins, Director of Food Service, recognized her food service staff.

- C. Robotics Demonstration – The Richmond Robotics Team 4130 demonstrated their latest robot. They recently received the Judges Award at the competition in Kettering and the Engineering Inspiration Award at the Marysville competition. The current members included: Nick Matthes, Erik Brinke, Emma Kettel, Scott Kettel, Thomas Dickerson, Andrew Caporuscio, Matthew Graves, John May, Sarah Graves. Their leadership consists of Mr. Robert Potts, Mr. Graves and Mr. Durkee.

8. BOARD OF EDUCATION STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Haley Fortuna

Elementary School Update:

- On April 29th, Jennifer Biewer from Allstate in Richmond, provided all fourth grade students tree saplings for Earth Day.
- M-Step and NWEA testing is in motion. The third grade students have completed their M-Step tests and fourth grade started it today (May 9th). All the grades are working on their NWEA this week.

Middle School Update:

- To celebrate earth day the student council cleaned up the campus. Students covered the entire campus and cleaned up trash.
- The student council performed its annual Richmond Historical Society Clean up.
- National Junior Honor Society held its annual induction ceremony, saying good bye to this year's eight grade members and celebrated over forty new members from the current seventh grade.
- Mornings with Mom was a hit as numerous moms showed up before school and had a quick celebration.

High School Update:

- Prom was a success with the theme "Around the World."
- Band and Choir concerts are approaching with a choir concert next Thursday, and band this Thursday.
- Senior awards takes place in the evening on May 19th, with many scholarships given.
- Honors Economics is in Washington D.C. this week.

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9. SUPERINTENDENT AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

School Update:

- Mr. Walmsley wished all the moms a Happy Mother's Day.
- Students from Richmond will be earning their Associates Degree through the Early Macomb College program at the Macomb Community College this Friday at 7:00 p.m. The students are Connor Behem, Alexa Dickenson, and Ann Saelens.
- This Saturday, Mr. Ken Baggallay will be participating in a bus driving rodeo in Clintondale.
- May 19th is college signing day in the high school media center at 3:15 p.m.

Legislative Update:

- Last week the House approved the Detroit package which removes 500 million dollars from the school aid fund to start a new school district in Detroit in order to fix the Detroit schools.

10. ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- Member Traci Bartell expressed concerns about the school calendar that could apply to all districts and about money being taken from the K-12 fund to be offered to community colleges.
- President Margaret Teltow attended the National Junior Honor Society induction ceremony and said that Mrs. Bartels does a great job. She said that she also attended the play (*Bye Bye Birdie*) last weekend and Haley Fortuna did an excellent job as well as the rest of the cast. Margaret also attended the All County Academic Banquet which recognized Graham Barton and Ashley Reece. Margaret said that Mrs. Deb Michon is a part of the team that makes that event happen and always makes Richmond look good.

Student Question: Why can't we have an area to eat outside?

Mr. Walmsley's response: Currently there is not a facility or structure to be used, there would have to be more supervision, and the timing for this year is just not enough. It can be looked into for the future.

11. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Overnight Field Trip to Spain – Aimee Smallwood requested approval for the 2016-17 trip to Northern Spain. This would be open to high school art and Spanish students. The trip would encompass history, culture, food, art, language, and people. The trip is scheduled to take place March 31, 2017 to April 18, 2017 and will occur during Spring Break. It will be funded by the individuals who wish to attend.

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- B. Lunch Prices - Sue Bevins provided a PowerPoint presentation to explain the increase in lunch prices for the 2016-17 school year. If the district increases lunch prices from \$2.50 to \$2.75 at Lee and does not increase prices at the middle school (\$2.75) and high school (\$3.00), it would generate an average price of \$2.83 which will provide a positive carryover to 2017/18 of 5 cents, thus likely to not require an increase in 2017/18.
- C. K-12 Theatre Program – Kelly Osterman was available to provide an overview of the theatre program and provided a proposed contract in which the Youth Theatre would provide a complete performing arts program meeting all State of Michigan Educational Standards to the Richmond Community School District for the 2016-17 school year. All programs would be for Richmond students only. The program will include complete coordination including scripts, rights, costumes, sets and tech from auditions through performances. It was concluded that this may require further discussion.
- D. 2016 – 17 Budget Presentation
Superintendent, Mr. Brian Walmsley, reviewed the proposed budget by presenting a Revenue spreadsheet and a complete expense spreadsheet. He reviewed several line items on the expense sheet.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public comments were made.

13. ACTION ITEMS

A. **Approval of Overnight Varsity Softball Tournament to Pinconning**

Motion: Moved by member D. Hill and supported by K. Simmons to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the overnight Girls Softball Pinconning trip request as presented during the April 25, 2016 Board meeting and in the attached documentation.

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

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B. Approval of Voluntary Severance Program (VSP)

Motion: Moved by member T. Bartell and supported by D. Hill to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Voluntary Severance Plan (VSP) as presented in the attached documentation. Furthermore, the Board of Education delegates the Superintendent to act as its agent for all purposes related to the plan documents.

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

14. ADJOURNMENT

President, Margaret Teltow concluded the meeting and adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

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