

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION
 REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1
 July 14, 2008

A regular meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held July 14, 2008, at the John C. Raeside Administration Building, 18499 Beech Daly, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Gubachy called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Regular Meeting
 7/14/08
 Call to Order

Present: Brenner, Caloia, Gubachy, Isabell
 Absent: Calvert, Pytel, Wujcik

Roll Call

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of
 Allegiance

President Gubachy spoke to:

President's Remarks

- Thanked everyone for coming out tonight and asked that all phones be turned off or on vibrate.
- A week ago at the June 30th budget meeting the numbers revealed great progress towards the District coming out of deficit.

Superintendent Rhodes spoke to:

Superintendent's
 Remarks

- Excited as well about the progress of the District working its way out of deficit. Diesel and gas prices will impact the District but it is anticipated that the District will be out of deficit by June 2009.
- Ashley Miracle was introduced as the new student representative on the Board of Education for the 2008-2009 school year.

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Caloia, to approve the July 14, 2008 agenda as presented. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Adoption of
 Agenda

Nothing at this time.

Call to the
 Audience: Public
 Participation
 Regarding Agenda
 Items

MOVED by Brenner, seconded by Caloia, to waive the reading and approve the June 9, 2008 regular meeting, June 16, 2008 special and closed session meeting, June 30, 2008 special meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education, as presented. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Review and
 Approval of
 Minutes

Isabell volunteered to serve as delegate to the MASB Assembly
MOVED by Brenner, seconded by Caloia that Isabell serve as delegate to the Michigan Association of School Boards Assembly. Ayes: All. Motion: Carried.

MASB Delegates
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Nothing at this time.

Communications

Michael Givler from Umbaugh & Associates presented the options the Board has to pursue a Bond issue in the future with no mileage increase to the community.

Presentations
Umbaugh
Michael Givler

Dan Kritta of Wold Archietects & Engineers presented a proposal with a long range planning template to identify the needs and deficiencies of the District. Building codes, safety issues and the mechanics of the facilities would be reviewed with the people in the buildings.

Wold Archietects &
Engineers
Dan Kritta

Bev Bonning from Thrun Law Firm spoke of her history with the District that began in the late 1980s and was part of the 1997 bond issue. Bonning explained the legal issues and the Department of Treasury deadlines. Election dates were reviewed and explained regarding filing and ballot language.

Thrun Law Firm
Bev Bonning

Caloia **MOVED** to remove item XII, 2, b, from the consent agenda.

Action Items:
Special Consideration
of an Action Item from
Consent Agenda

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Brenner, to approve the Fiscal and Budgetary Services consent agenda items as presented. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Fiscal and Budgetary
Services

Approve payment of 56543 through 56838 with the exception of check numbers, 56575, 56578, 56584, 56617, 56623, 56667, and 56668 which were voided.

Disposition of Checks

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Brenner to approve the Business and Operational Services consent agenda items as amended. Ayes: All. Motion Carried.

Business and
Operational Service

Approve electronic transfers for the month of June 2008.

Electronic Transfers
June 2008

MOVED by Brenner, seconded by Caloia, to approve the Human Resource services consent agenda items as presented. Ayes: All. Motion Carried

Human Resources

Approve FMLA for the following, effective date as shown:

- Jill Burch, Teacher/Hilbert MS/9-9-08

Approve resignation for the following effective date as shown:

- Rhonda Gauthier, Teacher/Hilbert MS/8-31-08
- Cynthia Johnson, Accounts Payable/Central Office/6-27-08
- Jennifer McNeff, Title I Reading Instructor/Bulman/8-1-08

Approve RUEA Recalls effective July 1, 2008:

- Thomas Ciuffetelli/Pearson
- JoAnn Drallos/Hilbert MS

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- Joshua Gartner/RUHS
- Crystal Glenn/MacGowan/Stuckey
- Mike Humitz/RUHS
- Theresa Lewandowski/Hilbert MS
- Scot Martin/RUHS
- Mike McCrea/RUHS
- Laurene Nathan/RUHS
- April Paris/Pearson
- Jennipher Reader/RUHS
- Lori Shezko/RUHS
- Brian Sloma/RUHS
- Barbara Smith/Hilbert MS
- Caroline Snyder/RUHS

Approve Child Care Layoffs effective June 16, 2008:

- Ross Decker/Bulman
- Adam Eaves/Stuckey
- Amanda Freedman/Pearson
- Jennifer Septer/Pearson
- Carol Singleton/Pearson
- Lewanda Willoughby/Pearson

Approve contract renewal for Brett Steel, Athletic Director, for the 2008-2009 school year.

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Caloia to approve the Board-Administrative Services consent agenda item as presented. Ayes: All.
Motion Carried

Approve Comerica Bank as the designated depository of general operating and other funds for 2008-2009.

Authorize the Board Treasurer, Superintendent, and Assistant Superintendent of Business as signatories on bank accounts at Comerica Bank.

Approve Assistant Superintendent of Business, as the designated delegate and Superintendent, as alternate to the Board of Directors of the MAISL Risk Insurance Trust.

Designate to the Superintendent the responsibility of posting public notices of all meetings of the Board of Education.

Appoint the Superintendent as the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Coordinator for Redford Union Schools.

Item XII, 2, b. was reintroduced. Neil Thomas, Director of Special Education and Superintendent Rhodes answered questions from the Board of Education regarding the Psychiatric evaluations and fees.

Items Removed From
Consent Agenda

MOVED by Brenner, seconded by Isabell to approve an increase from the daily rate of \$300 for Psychiatric evaluations to \$300 per evaluation, to be paid from Act 18, Title VIB, and District Special Education funds.

Psychiatric Evaluation
Rate

Brenner spoke to the Board regarding a student discipline system currently used in East Detroit. Brenner suggests that the Board look at this system and amend the current student code of conduct.

Board of Education
Communication/Discussion

Nothing at this time.

Superintendent
Communication

Susan Featheringill informed the Board that the business department is currently working through the end of the year reports.

Assistant
Superintendent of
Business Finance

Brenner asked if an amount could be put on items that were taken out of general fund that a bond issue would have paid for. Featheringill will work with Sevigny to put together this information.

Wendy Russell, 4259 Sandhill Lane, Dexter. Teacher voiced her concern regarding staff morale and settling the contract.

Call To The Audience
W. Russell

Carol Rich, 10765 Tuthill, South Lyon. Social Worker voiced her concern regarding funding to ADT.

C. Rich

Beth Kusisto, 18705 Warenden, Redford. Resident voiced her concern regarding attorney fees.

B. Kusisto

Monday, August 11, 2008 – Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
John C. Raeside Administration Building, 18499 Beech Daly Road, Redford.

Future Meeting Dates

MOVED by Brenner, seconded by Isabell to move to closed session at 9:01 p.m. to discuss the RUAA contract. Roll call vote: Brenner – Yes, Caloia – Yes, Gubachy – Yes, Isabell – Yes. Total vote: 4/0. Motion: Carried.

Closed Session
RUAA Contract
Negotiations

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Caloia to return to open session at 10:22 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion: Carried.

Return to Open Session

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Caloia to approve the RUAA contract extension amendment. Roll Call vote: Brenner – Yes, Caloia – Yes, Gubachy – Yes, Isabell – Yes, Total vote: 4/0. Motion: Carried.

RUAA Contract
Extension

Gubachy directed the Superintendent to seek similar cost sharing with the secretaries and educational assistants.

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Caloia to adjourn meeting at 10:25 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion: Carried.

Adjournment

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Respectfully submitted,

Cozette Calvert, Secretary
Redford Union Board of Education