REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1 April 19, 2010

A regular meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held April 19, 2010, at the John C. Raeside Administration Building, 18499 Beech Daly, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Isabell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting 4/19/10
Call to Order

Present: Brenner, Caloia, Calvert, Gubachy, Isabell, Wierimaa, Wujcik, Goulet

Roll Call

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent Stoneman spoke:

Superintendent Remarks

- Information for the Board on the Enhancement millage with a resolution on the agenda tonight. It is a 1.9 mill vote and being organized by Wayne RESA. If Boards of more than 50% of the students in the county approve the resolution then this will become a ballot issue. Redford Union would receive \$362 per student, which would be slightly ahead of what would be collected from the community. The vote would take place in August if this becomes a ballot issue. The Superintendent stated that he is not speaking in favor or against but is presenting the facts. Brenner noted from his reading that this would be a 1.2 million income for the district. Stoneman noted that there are no strings attached to the money and can be spent in anyway the district deems.
- Announced that three of the five scholarships from the Redford Chamber Scholarship Fund were award to Redford Union seniors: Rebecca Lanci, Shelby Malott, and Melissa Goulet. Each student will receive a \$1200 scholarship.
- Marie Miller, the MASB consultant for the Superintendent's search, was pleased
 to learn that the National Association of Federal Education Program
 Administrators selected Rebecca Lanci to receive their Iva McAnts Scholarship in
 the amount of \$2500. Marie is a member and sits on the board of the NAFEPA and
 was pleased to learn that the scholarship was awarded to a Redford Union Senior.
- A reminder to the Board that part of the process and the MASB Superintendent search included a workshop with the Board & new Superintendent. A date will be set and the Board will be notified.

MOVED by Wierimaa, seconded by Caloia, to approve the April 19, 2010 agenda as presented. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Adoption of Agenda Call to the Audience on an agenda item: A. Raden

Alice Raden, 452 Aspen Drive, Wixom. Teacher voiced her concerns regarding the attorney fees listed on the agenda and that the attorney fees could have been used to improve technology.

J. Aren

James Aren, 22814 Brookdale, Farmington. Teacher voiced his concerns regarding the attorney fees listed on the agenda. Teachers are hopeful. Aren compared attorney fees from 2006 through the present year. Advised the Board that before they continue to move on with appeals that the Board consider the costs. Every penny counts.

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Wierimaa, to waive and approve the February 23, 2010 special meeting minutes and the March 8, 2010 regular meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education, as presented. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Kathy Robbin, Principal of MacGowan Elemenatary, spoke about March reading month at MacGowan and shared a powerpoint presentation about the school's community of readers.

Presentations
K. Robbins – March
Reading Month

Karen Moffitt, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, reviewed with the board the attorney fees per category over a three year period. Moffitt explained the roof replacement and the review of the bids. Moffitt also explained that Chase Bank is on the agenda for approval with lower fees, interest is double of the current bank, and provided the lower interest rate for the recent purchase of buses.

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Comments

Wierimaa requested item XII, B, 1, c, d, e, & f. be removed from the consent agenda. Caloia requested item XII, 3, d, &e. be removed from the consent agenda.

Special Consideration of an Action Item

<u>MOVED</u> by Wierimaa, seconded by Gubachy, to approve the business and operational services consent agenda items as amended. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Business and Operational Services

- Approve payment of \$1,394,484.35 for checks dated 3/9/10 to 4/16/10.
- Approve electronic transfers for the month of March 2010 in the amount of \$2,518,056.86
- Approve JP Moran Chase as an additional designated depository of general operating and other funds for 2009-2010.
- Authorize the Board Treasurer, Superintendent, and Assistant Superintendent of Business Services as signatories on bank accounts at J.P. Morgan Chase.

Disposition of Checks Electronic Transfers

JP Morgan Chase

Signatories on JP Morgan Chase Account

<u>MOVED</u> by Wierimaa, seconded by Caloia, to approve the human resource services consent agenda items as presented. Ayes: All. Motion carried

Human Resources

Approve new hire certified employment:

DEBORAH NOBLE/Speech & Language Teacher/Beck/4-12-10

Approve new hire coach:

- SCOTT BENNETT/RUHS Varsity Softball/3-15-10
- JUSTIN FLOYD/RUHS/Boys Assistant Track/3-15-10

Approve heath leaves:

- JILL BURCH/Teacher/Hilbert/4-20-10
- BRIDGET LINDSEY/Teacher/EDT/3-22-10
- STACEY MCGILL/Teacher/ADT/4-15-10
- KIMBERLIE SANDERS/Teacher/ADT/3-19-10

Approve RUEAA layoff recall:

• JIBRIL NAEEM/Educational Assistant/ADT/3-15-10

Approve separations:

- FRED CATHEY/Plumber/Building & Grounds/3-15-10
- JOHN MCAFEE/Assistant Track Coach/Hilbert/3-12-10
- AARON MORAN/Assistant Boys Track Coach/RUHS/3-9-10

Health Leaves

D. Noble

S. Bennett

J. Floyd

J. Burch

B. Lindsey

S. McGill

K. Sanders

J. Naeem

J. Hacciii

F. Cathey

J. McAfee

A. Moran

• BETH SARKO/Bus Driver/Transportation/3-25-10

B. Sarko

MOVED by Wierimaa, seconded by Caloia, to approve the educational services consent agenda items as amended. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

Educational Services

Approved field trip request from Hilbert Middle School to attend professional musical performances, Museum of Science & Industry, and Lincoln Park Zoo in Chicago, April 23, 2010 through April 24, 2010.

HMS Chicago Trip

Approve field trip request from Hilbert Middle School to visit Washington, D.C. to study subjects covered in U.S. History, May 5, 2010 through May 8, 2010.

HMS Washington, D.c. Trip

Approve field trip request from Bulman Elementary to attend Walled Lake Educational Camp. May 5, 2010 through May 7, 2010.

Bulman 5th grade Camp

Wierimaa spoke to the removal of adoption resolution in support of the Regional Enhancement Millage. Wierimaa stated that he could not support the resolution and he considers it a bad idea because it is based on student enrollment and property values, both have declined in Redford. Caloia agreed with Wierimaa but for different reasons. Caloia stated that she can not vote yes for anything that is going to raise property taxes and questions the language within the resolution to allow for the change of language on the final ballot proposal. Brenner expressed his opposition to both comments as he is in favor of the Regional Enhancement Millage that would bring over a million dollars into the district. Brenner states that he had reviewed his tax bill and 1.9 mills would cost him less than \$10 per month for a potential million dollars a year in school revenue. Wierimaa suggested a roll call vote. MOVED by Brenner, seconded by Gubachy to approve to adopt resolution in support of Regional Enhancement Millage. Wierimaa-No, Brenner-Yes, Caloia-No, Wujcik-No, Calvert-No, Gubachy-Yes, Isabell-Yes. Total vote: No-4, Yes-3. Motion is defeated.

Items Removed From Consent Agenda Regional Enhancement Millage

Representatives from Wold Architects explained the roof bidding process used to the Board. Three systems were bid and it is recommended of Wold and the Communication Committee that Summit Roofing be the vendor awarded the bid. The membrane system with a 20 year warranty is the system chosen. Wold is comfortable with the recommendation and foresees timely and quality work. **MOVED** by Wierimaa, seconded by Caloia to items: XII, B, 1, d, e, f. Ayes: All. Motion: carried.

Roofing Bids Redford Union High School Hilbert Middle School Beck Center & Stuckey

Accept bid for Redford Union High School roof replacement projects.

Accept bid for Hilbert Middle School roof replacement projects.

Accept bid for Beck Center & Stuckey Elementary roof replacement projects.

Caloia questioned the senior trip to Cedar Pointe and asked how many students were attending. Karen Moran, Principal at RUHS was in the audience and responded that the deadline for signing up was this Friday, April 16, 2010. Moran is anticipating 200 students. Caloia questioned the Central Europe trip in April 2011 and the number of students attending. A teacher from RUHS stated it was for any student from 9th to 12th grade. Past overseas trips haven't been larger than 23 students. The cost is contingent on the number of students that attend. MOVED by Caloia, seconded by Gubachy to approve XII, B, 3, d, e. Ayes: All. Motion: carried.

RUHS Senior trip to Cedar Pointe

> RUHS trip to Central Europe

Approve field trip request from Redford Union High School for a senior trip to Cedar Pointe. May 22, 2010, depart at 8:00 a.m. and return on 12:00 a.m. Approve field trip request from Redford Union High School for trip to Central Europe. April 22, 2011 through May 2, 2011.

Wierimaa officially welcomed Mr. Stoneman to Redford Union as the new Superintendent.

Board of Education Communication/Discussion

Caloia stated that she knows that the roofs were a number one priority but wanted to know where the white boards were in the priority list. Caloia wants white boards to be put to the top of the list.

Goulet informed the Board that she was part of the Redford Union Youth Commission. The Leadership conference was held at Pearson Education Center and it included 89 students from Redford Union High School and Thurston High School. There was a survey taken at the end of the day and there were positive remarks and it was a lot of fun. A youth symposium was held in Michigan and the Youth Commission was rewarded the Outstanding Program Development Award for the Leadership conference.

Brenner recognized the Honors Banquet that was held at Redford Union High School. Students were honored that earn a 3.5 or better and those students present at the Board meeting were asked to stand and be recognized.

Lori Clark, 26000 Fargo, Redford. Teacher from Stuckey voiced her concerns regarding lawyer fees and the need for fences, security, smaller class sizes, pay to play fees, and pay for field trips for the students.

Call to the Audience L. Clark

Kathleen Blanco, 16566 Lola Drive, Redford. Resident and Teacher voiced her concerns regarding lawyer fees and the need for color printers and lab materials for the schools.

K. Blanco

Janet Renscok, 17687 Maple Hill, Northville. Teacher from Keeler voiced her concerns regarding lawyer fees and the need for installed climbing walls, heart rate monitors, scoreboard with count down clocks, and weight machines.

J. Rensock

Alice Raden, 452 Aspen Drive, Wixom. Teacher from Hilbert voiced her concern regarding white boards and projectors with the need to advance in technology. The lack of technology is holding this school district back.

A. Raden

David Battistelli, 20005 Lennane, Redford. Resident and Teacher voiced his concerns regarding lawyer fees and the need for classroom air conditioners. Battistelli spoke to essays in the Redford Observer written by Brenner.

D. Battistelli

Ian Boynton, 26000 Fargo, Redford. Teacher at Stuckey informed the Board and invited Mr. Stoneman personally to the hand bell concerts and $5^{th}/6^{th}$ grade vocal concerts. Boynton also spoke of the speaker system and raisers at Pearson and the need for repair/replacement.

I. I. Boynton

Stewart Warren, 16589 Lexington, Redford. Resident concerned about the destruction of trees at Bulman Elementary.

S. Warren

Kathleen Robbins, 41311 Knightsford, Northville. Principal of MacGowan thanked the Redford Union custodians and a teacher's assistant that helped out after the break-in at MacGowan in March.

K. Robbins

Future meeting dates:

Future Meeting Date

 Monday, May 10, 2010 – Regular Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m. John C. Raeside Administrative Building, 18499 Beech Daly Road

<u>MOVED</u> by Wierimaa, seconded by Caloia, to move to closed session for the purpose of Attorney/Client Privilege. Roll call vote: Brenner-Yes, Caloia-Yes Calvert-Yes, Gubachy-Yes, Isabell-Yes, Wieriamaa-Yes, Wujcik-Yes. Total: 7/0. Motion carried. Time: 8:53 p.m.

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Brenner, to return from closed session at 10:12 p.m. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Wierimaa to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 p.m. Ayes all. Motion carried

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Gubachy, Secretary Redford Union Board of Education