

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1  
 June 28, 2010

A special meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held June 28, 2010, at Redford Union High School, in the auditorium, 17711 Kinloch, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Isabell called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Special Meeting  
6/28/10  
Call to Order

Present: Brenner, Caloia, Gubachy, Isabell, Wierimaa, Wujcik  
 Absent: Calvert, Scola

Roll Call

**MOVED** by Wierimaa, seconded by Gubachy to adopt the June 28, 2010 special meeting agenda as presented. Yes: 6. No: 0. Motion Carried.

Adoption of Agenda

Rosemary Johnson, 19928 Wakenden, Redford. Teacher/Resident of 22 years cautioned the Board about making hasty decisions and doing proper research regarding consolidation, movement of elementary programs, alternative education, and the budget.

Call to the Audience on an  
Agenda Item

Superintendent Stoneman informed the Board of the formation of a Steering committee that consists of administrative staff, representation from all the associations, the bond committee, and also community members. The discussion has evolved around the 5 million deficit and the main topic of discussion has been facilities. The meeting tonight was called to share those discussions and have a dialogue about being as efficient as possible with district facilities. The Superintendent asked for direction from the Board. Upon completion of the discussion the Superintendent said that he will go back and gather data and cost out the proposed facility usage. The discussion concluded with the Superintendent asking the Board to consider the formation of an AdHoc committee of 2-3 Board members to investigate all options for the best facility usage.

Board Discussion  
2010-2011 Budget

**MOVED** by Wierimaa, seconded by Caloia to approve the Educational Services consent agenda item as presented. Yes: 6. No: 0. Motion Carried.

Education Services  
Alternative Education  
Program

Approve moving the Alternative Education program currently at Pearson Education Center to Redford Union High School.

President Isabell called for a recess and the meeting was resumed at 8:19 p.m.

Call to the Audience  
M. Gazley

Marie Gazley, 18227 Indian, Redford. Resident expressed her concerns regarding the deficit and facility utilization.

Catherine Gustafson, 18207 Centralia, Redford. Resident expressed her concerns regarding the Alternative Education program at Pearson and moving the program to RUHS.

C. Gustafson

Vicki Trout, 17429 Fox, Redford. Resident/employee who expressed her concerns regarding transportation and possible cuts in transportation.

V. Trout

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Carol Williams, 17696 Glenmore, Redford. Resident expressed her concern regarding the transparency of the Board. Would like fact sheets on the website with the actions of the Steering committee.	C. Williams
Lori Clarke, 26000 Fargo, Redford. Teacher would like the board to consider k-5 programs when looking at reorganization and facility usage.	L. Clarke
Donald McGaffey, 26317 Five Mile, Redford. Resident thanked the Superintendent for the formation of the Steering committee and suggested that the committee include as many of the Redford community as possible. McGaffey questioned the measurement of square footage of buildings as opposed to classroom availability. McGaffey asked the Board to consider the safety of neighborhood schools as compared with a facility on a highway.	D. McGaffey
Sam Reams, 20548 Denby, Redford. Resident expressed his concern regarding the restructuring and closing of schools. Reams spoke regarding Pearson, schools or choice, pay to play, parochial schools, and the teacher's contract.	S. Reams
Brandon Brandenburg, 20101 Woodworth, Redford. Resident voiced his concern about the renovations that would be needed at Pearson and the current condition of the Pearson building.	B. Brandenburg
Amanda Squires, 18274 Ashley, Spencer Township. Teacher expressed her concern regarding the movement of EDT and the Keeler program.	A. Squires
Kenneth Morgan, 17661 Fox, Redford. Resident/Parent voiced his concerns regarding the restructuring of the district and big changes need to be made in the form of cuts.	K. Morgan
Bonnie Scepanovic, 18222 Fox, Redford. Resident/Parent voiced her concerns regarding 3-8 programming, school of choice, and the working together for the children of the district.	B. Scepanovic
Kim Brandenburg, 20102 Woodworth, Redford. Resident/Parent/Employee suggests that if moving all elementary into one building that Hilbert be considered for housing the elementary programs and Pearson be used for the middle school students.	K. Brandenburg
Stephanie Hunter, 17125 Brady, Redford. Parent/WPAC Representative believes the all day kindergarten is a great idea. Is not in favor of renovating Pearson or 3-8 programming because of the age differences and services needed.	S. Hunter
Bill Putnam, 1042 Longfellow, Canton. Teacher expressed his concern regarding the current financial situation of the district.	C. Putnam
President Isabell recognized the new academic letter initiated by Treasurer Brenner and that 112 students qualified to received the letter at the end of the 2009-2010 school year.	Board of Education Communication
<b>MOVED</b> by Brenner, seconded by Gubachy to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m.. Yes: 5. No: 0. Motion Carried.	Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Gubachy, Secretary  
Redford Union Board of Education