

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION
 REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1
 October 12, 2015

Regular Meeting
10/12/2015

A Regular Meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held October 12, 2015, at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 17715 Brady Street, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Kurland called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

Call to Order

Present: Doby, Graham, Gubachy, Isabell, Kurland

Roll Call

Absent: Caloia, Pridemore

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of Allegiance

D. Battistelli introduced V. Hovey to the Board as his recommendation to the Board of Education as the Student Representative for 2015-2016. He provided the Board with a resume for him. The Board members welcomed V. Hovey to the table.

2015-2016 Student
Rep. – V. Hovey

D. Battistelli spoke to the out-of-country trip over spring break 2016-2017 that is on the agenda this evening to be approved.

Call to the Audience
on Agenda items

President Kurland asked everyone to please put their cell phones on silent or vibrate.

President's Remarks

Superintendent Shivers welcomed our new student representative. She thanked another one of our RUHS students, junior B. Wilson, for being part of her transition team. She then spoke to the Superintendent's Transition team that she put together, that met for the first time this evening prior to the board meeting. There is representation on this team from a vast group: student, parent, staff, union, board members, and central office. Dr. Shivers stated that she spent two days in Lansing last week with all of our building leaders at a data workshop. She felt these workshops were beneficial, not only for the information learned but for the collaboration. Superintendent Shivers also spoke about the three district wide meetings that were held before and after school, with her, Assistant Superintendent McIntyre, and Board President Kurland. These meetings were held to address any questions or concerns regarding merger, consolidation, and/or annexation discussions; with about 20% of staff attending.

Superintendent
Remarks

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Doby, to approve the October 12, 2015 agenda as presented. Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion Carries.

Adoption of Agenda

None

Communications
from Board
Secretary

Assistant Superintendent McIntyre stated that the Finance Committee will be meeting on Thursday, November 5th. Our Audit firm will be presenting a preview of the Audit that will be presented to the Board of Education at the regular meeting on November 9th. The Finance Committee will also be presented with a contract for interim Custodial Service to bridge the district over until we identify and choose a new Custodial firm. C. Doby asked who our Audit Firm was. Assistant Superintendent stated that it is Abraham and Gaffney.

Assistant
Superintendent of
Business Services

Building/Facilities – Next meeting is TBD.

Curriculum – Next meeting is TBD.

Finance – Next Finance meeting is Thursday, November 5th.

Personnel – Did not meet last week. Next meeting scheduled for Monday, November 2nd.

Policy – Next meeting is TBD.

Administrative
Committee Reports

MOVED by Graham, seconded by Isabell, to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion Carries.

Consent Agenda

- Waive the reading and approve the September 14, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education as presented.
- Approve the payment of \$752,695.62 for checks dated 9/08/2015 to 10/06/2015.
- Approve the electronic transfers for the month of September 2015 in the amount of \$1,773,629.79.
- Approve Leave Request as listed below:
 1. Marjorie McSween/EA/MacGowan/Health Leave/Effective 10/5/15
- Approve Separation as listed below:
 1. Sherri Gasser/EA/Beech/Retirement/Effective 10/30/15

Regular Minutes of
September 14, 2015
Disposition of Checks
September, 2015
Electronic Transfers
September, 2015

M. McSween

S. Gasser

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Graham, to approve the field trip request from Mr. David Battistelli, RUHS, for a multi-day out-of-country field trip to Portugal and Spain during spring break of the 2016-2017 school year. The Wayne County five year common calendar currently has spring break scheduled for Friday, April 14, 2017 through Sunday, April 23, 2017.

Action Items
RUHS Field Trip in Spring
2016-2017 to Portugal/Spain

President Kurland asked about the number of students participating in the overseas trip for this spring break compared to the number that went to China last year. Mr. Battistelli replied that one went to China, and two are slated so far for this spring. Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion Carries.

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Isabell, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation from Assistant Superintendent McIntyre, accept the bid from and enter into an agreement with Axiom Construction to provide:

Approve Axiom Construction
for Generators and Kitchen
Improvements at
RUHS, Hilbert Middle,
MacGowan & Beech,
and
Beech Quiet Room

- a.** Generators and Kitchen Improvements at RUHS, Hilbert Middle School, Beech Elementary and MacGowan Elementary, in the amount of \$342,300.00 (Base Bid and Alt. #1), with funds for this project coming from the Food Service Funds; and
- b.** to construct a quiet room at Beech Elementary for special education students in the amount of \$18,100.00 (Alt. #2), with funds for this project coming from ACT 18 funds. Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion Carries.

None

Items removed from the
Consent Agenda

None

Superintendent's Comments

None

Call to the Audience on
Non Agenda Items

Student Representative V. Hovey stated that we need to do more to make our schools more of an exciting environment, more motivating for students to want to come to school. He stated that Homecoming went well this year; the new DJ was very good, and everyone enjoyed having food at this event. President Kurland thanked the Blue & Gold Club for the food for Homecoming; and thought the hall decorations were great. She stated that Octoberfest in the Township was well attended, and Angelfest will be fast upon us. Redford Township's Old Fashioned Holiday's will be on Friday this year, December 4th. Please stay tuned for further information. As always, Redford Union's presence at Township events would be greatly appreciated, and a great way to promote our district.

Board of Education
Communication/Discussion

A. Monday, November 9, 2015 – Regular Meeting - 7:30 PM
Board of Education Admin. Offices, 17715 Brady Street, Redford, MI 48240

Future Meeting Dates

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Doby, to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 PM
Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carries.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Isabell, Secretary,
Redford Union Schools
Board of Education