

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1  
 April 14, 2014

Regular Meeting  
4/14/2014

A Regular Meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held April 14, 2014, at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 19990 Beech Daly, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Wierimaa called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Call to Order

Present: Caloia, Graham, Gubachy, Isabell, Kurland, Pridemore, Wierimaa, and Student Representative Scola

Roll Call

Absent: None

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of Allegiance

Please put cell phones on silent or vibrate.

Presidents Remarks

Superintendent Stoneman reviewed legislative updates, the state budget being reviewed and how the educational budget fits into this, and teacher evaluations.

Superintendent Remarks

**MOVED** by Isabell, seconded by Caloia, to approve the April 14, 2014 agenda as presented. Yes: 7 No: 0. Motion Carries.

Adoption of  
Agenda

Panther of the Year: Jeff Osowski and Fran Gustafason presented this year's award to David Batistelli.

Presentations

Food Service – Angie Davis gave the report on our food service programs in the district. She also stated that the new Healthy Snacks initiative does go into effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>, and this will most likely affect candy sales and bake sales held in school. She is reviewing guidelines with Assistant Superintendent McIntyre; who will in turn work with Administration so all have a full understanding prior to next school year.

U.S. Confucius Classrooms – Andy Christopherson presented the most current information regarding this concept, along with showing a video. Superintendent Stoneman explained what this would involve for our district, and also spoke about the grant funded trip to LA that he would attend to network with other districts regarding this program.

None

Call to the Audience on Agenda  
items

**MOVED** by Isabell, seconded by Pridemore, to waive the reading and approve the March 10, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education, as presented. Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion: Carries

Review and Approval of  
Minutes

None

Communications read  
by Board Secretary

None

Assistant Superintendent of  
Business ServicesAdministrative  
Committee Reports

Curriculum -Ron stated that the calendar days for the 2014-2015 school year has been finalized. After a few building dates are finalized, it will be available for all buildings. We are reviewing specials for next year to include the Confucius program for elementary, reading comprehension for K-8, and writing for K-6. A pilot program is being considered at the middle school- Unlocking the Reading Code, Phonics and Using Dibbles. We are working with WRESA on Academic Technology and storing our test results. The District Improvement Team (DIT) has been reviewing a mentoring program and curriculum design, math structures and strategy – Every Day Math or Singapore Math. They have also been going through development work assessment; on how the curriculum crafter with K-12 assessment works with the common core to adopt a structure for practices for implementation.

Building/Facilities -The RFP for Custodial and Maintenance Services was reviewed and the recommendation for the company chosen, DM Burr, is on the agenda tonight. There is a sample contract and Resolution for the Board to vote on. Keeler – VERITAS and SEMCA are all moved in. SEMCA is in discussion with the district to add a Day Care (to be totally run by SEMCA) – available to their students and the community at large. The requirements for licensing are being reviewed. They are also exploring opportunities for adult classes for graduation and Senior Citizen programs. Ron stated that with the specials being considered at Beech next year, the building needs more classrooms. He stated that with Keeler open, and being financially supported by the SEMCA and VERITAS programs, it is very likely that Central Office will be relocating from Beech to Keeler, unless there were any objections. Hearing none, the plan/timeline for Central Office moving to Keeler will begin. The next Bond meeting is Tuesday, April 29 at 5:15 PM.

Finance - 2014-2015 Budget Planning/Review is coming up. Next meeting TBD

Personnel - Met on April 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss items on tonight's agenda, as well as staffing for a media class and foreign language next year at Beech. He is expecting between 7 to 9 retirements district wide. A secretarial position is being eliminated due to attrition, with transfers in process. Contract extensions are scheduled to be on the May agenda. Next meeting is April 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM.

Policy - Met to review, discuss and draft changes to six different policies. Only a few will be ready for the May Board meeting, with the remaining one's to follow. Also there were no changes to the policies on tonight's agenda for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and final readings.

**MOVED** by Kurland, seconded by Pridemore to have the second and final reading of the Flower Policy - #4620 as presented. Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion Carries

Action Items  
Flower Policy #4620  
2<sup>nd</sup> and Final Reading

**MOVED** by Isabell, seconded by Graham to have the second and final reading of the Closing of Schools Policy - #2111 as presented. Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion Carries

Closing of Schools Policy #2111  
2<sup>nd</sup> and Final Reading

**MOVED** by Isabell, seconded by Graham to approve the attached Resolution of the Board of Education of Redford Union Schools which hereby delegates to the superintendent or his designee or designees the authority to award the Custodial Services, Maintenance & Grounds Services bid in his, it's or their sole discretion to the DM BARR GROUP, in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions state in the requests thereof, provided that any award shall be conditioned upon the Superintendent's or his designee or designee's and the district's legal council approval of a contract to be negotiated between the DM BARR GROUP and the district. Once the motion was on the table, representatives from DM BARR were invited up to the table to add anything and to answer any questions from Board Members. They were: John Allen, CFO; Kathleen Fox, HR; and Christa McGlashen, our Account Executive. Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion Carries

Approval of the Resolution for the Custodial Services, Maintenance & Grounds Services for DM BARR GROUP

**MOVED** by Gubachy, seconded by Pridemore, to approve the attached Resolution of the Board of Education of Redford Union Schools which hereby supports the "Classroom and Kids" budget proposal as we strongly believe in restoring funds to our classrooms so all children have an opportunity to learn and compete for 21<sup>st</sup> century jobs, and that local communities can maintain their voice in local issues affecting our public schools and calls on the members of the Michigan Legislature and the Governor to support and approve the "Classrooms and Kids" budget. There were a few questions from the Board that Superintendent Stoneman responded to.

Approval of the Resolution for the "Classroom and Kids" Budget Proposal

Roll Call Vote: S. Caloia: Y; T. Graham: Y; L. Gubachy: Y; P. Isabell: Y; J. Kurland: Y; E. Pridemore: Y; M. Wierimaa: Y Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion Carries

**MOVED** by Pridemore, seconded by Kurland, to approve the attached Resolution of the Board of Education of Redford Union Schools which hereby requests that Wayne RESA submit to its electors the question of a regional enhancement millage proposal for 2 mills for a period of six (6) years, 2014-2019, inclusive at the state primary election to be held on August 5, 2014, pursuant to a ballot proposal substantially in the form attached hereto at Exhibit A; and delegates to the superintendent or his designee or designees the authorization and direction to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Board of Education of the Wayne RESA. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this Resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded. There were a few questions from the Board that Superintendent Stoneman and Assistant Superintendent responded to. There were also a few comments from the Board.

Approval of the Resolution for the Regional Enhancement Millage Proposal

Roll Call Vote: S. Caloia: **N**; T. Graham: Y; L. Gubachy: Y; P. Isabell: Y; J. Kurland: Y; E. Pridemore: Y; M. Wierimaa: **N** Yes: 5 No: 2 Motion Carries

**MOVED** by Isabell, seconded by Pridemore, to approve the fiscal and budgetary consent agenda items as presented. Yes: 7 No: 0. Motion Carries.

Approved Business and Operational Services

- Approved payment of \$1,161,928.38 for checks dated 3/05/2014 to 4/09/2014.
- Approved electronic transfers for the month of March 2014 in the amount of \$2,110,439.60.

Disposition of Checks

Electronic Transfers

**MOVED** by Isabell, seconded by Kurland, to approve the Human Resource consent agenda items as *AMENDED* by Larry Digon. (see b.3.). Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion: Carries

**a. LEAVE REQUESTS**

1. **Kim Crenshaw**/Teacher/EDT Stuckey/Health Leave/Effective 4/28/14

K. Crenshaw

2. **Susan Porter**/Teacher/ Health Leave/Effective 4/28/14

S. Porter

3. **Anna Trosin**/Teacher/MacGowan/Health Leave/Effective 3/11/14

A. Trosin

**b. SEPARATIONS**

1. **Steven Beaulieu**/Teacher/RUHS/Resignation/Effective 6/11/14

S. Beaulieu

2. **Mark Bryden**/Teacher/RUHS/Resignation/Effective 4/30/2014

M. Bryden

\*\*\* 3. **Beth Wilson**/Teacher/Beech/Resignation **LAYOFF**/Effective 6/11/14

B. Wilson

**c. ASSIGNMENT CHANGES**

1. **Marie Gazley** – Secretary/Hilbert to Secretary/Beck Special Services/Eff 4/9/14

M. Gazley

2. **Barb McDougall** – Secretary/RUHS Athletics to Secretary/Hilbert/Eff 4/9/14

B. McDougall

**MOVED** by Isabell, seconded by Caloia, to approve the educational services consent agenda item as amended. Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion: Carries

Educational Services

a. Approve the overnight field trip request for Hilbert Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to travel to Washington, DC from Wednesday, May 7, 2014 to Saturday, May 10, 2014.

Approval of  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to  
Washington, DC

Trustee Kurland mentioned the Passover and Easter celebrations approaching, this Wednesday at 7:00 PM is the Gardening meeting at the JayCee Hall, Books and Bytes is this Friday where RU will be represented by Ron and Mark. Trustee Pridemore stated that she was very impressed with the Musical Annie, she is participating in the 3 day walk for Breast Cancer and needs donations and prayers. Student Rep Scola let everyone know that student council won the award of Excellence in Traverse City-which they have won 3 out of 4 years, Mr. Union went well, with Patrick Wierimaa winning, and Madrigals perform at State next week. Trustee Isabell stated that she appreciated everyone's patience with what she is going through, she is almost one with treatment and will be back on track. Trustee Graham also stated that she truly enjoyed the Musical.

Board of Education  
Communication/  
Discussion

Superintendent Stoneman also spoke about the Musical and the collaboration among the choirs, band and actors was really good. Trustee Caloia asked about make up days, and he stated that they have been decided, and that it did not require the Seniors to attend an extra day.

Superintendent Comments

None

Call to the Audience

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Thursday, April 17, 2014 – Special Meeting – 6:30 PM  
Board of Education Administrative Offices, 19990 Beech Daly, Redford

Monday, May 12, 2014 – Regular Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
Board of Education Administrative Offices, 19990 Beech Daly, Redford

**MOVED** by Caloia, seconded by Pridemore, to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 P.M.  
Yes: 7 No: 0 Motion: Carries.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Isabell, Secretary  
Redford Union Board of Education