

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION
 REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1
 January 26, 2015

Special Meeting 01/26/2015

A special meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held January 26, 2015 at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 17715 Brady Street, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Kurland called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Present: Caloia, Graham, Gubachy, Kurland, Pridemore, Wierimaa
 Absent: Isabell

Roll Call

President Kurland asked for cell phones to be placed on silent or vibrate. She wanted to reassure this board that as Chair she will not allow any personal attacks or un-professionalism on this board.

President's Remarks

MOVED by Caloia, seconded by Wierimaa, to adopt the agenda of the January 26, 2015 Special Board Meeting as presented. Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carries

Adoption of Agenda

None.

Call to Audience

President Kurland yielded the floor to one of the two board members who called for this special meeting; either Wierimaa or Caloia.

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Operations

MOVED BY Wierimaa, seconded by Caloia, that since there was a violation of the Open Meetings Act, motion that a Lack of Confidence in the result of the election of Board Officers for the Offices of President, Secretary and Treasurer that was held at the January 12th Organizational Board Meeting be made and that new elections be held immediately for these three offices.

Motion for Lack of
Confidence in
Election of Officers

Trustee Wierimaa then went on to explain that that he believes he has proof that there was a violation of the OMA, but he and Trustee Caloia would be willing to drop their OMA concern with a new vote to have the election of officers done correctly. There was discussion among all board trustees at the table. President Kurland stated that she would like the record to show that she is personally disappointed that there is a personal attack on her and on her integrity. Trustee Wierimaa stated that this was not a personal attack, it is board procedure. Additional discussion took place. President Kurland stated that she considers an attack on her integrity as a personal attack. Further discussion took place.

Discussion

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Wierimaa, to table this motion until the February 9th meeting, so that board members may review their open meetings guide.

Tabled Motion

Caloia: Yes; Graham: Yes; Gubachy: Yes; Isabell: ABS; Kurland: Yes; Pridemore: Yes; Wierimaa: Yes. Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carries

Superintendent Stoneman asked if there was any information that the Board would like to receive from administration. There was discussion among some board members. President Kurland asked if Superintendent Stoneman had any information on the OMA. There was discussion among some board members. Superintendent Stoneman asked if there is any desire from the Board to contact our legal counsel related to the matter of the motion. There was further discussion where it sounded like all agreed that this should

Superintendent and
Board of Education
discussion
Further Information
Requested on OMA
from Administration

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happen, and information received should be to the entire board. Superintendent Stoneman stated that if we are seeking a legal opinion, we could get their opinion in a closed session. There was a discussion on whether this opinion should be given in open or closed session; most of the board members were stating open session. Superintendent Stoneman stated that legal opinions can be given in closed session, but whether this is done in open or closed session will be at the desire of the board.

and a request for a legal opinion from legal counsel related to the matter of the motion

None

Call to Audience

Monday, February 9, 2015 - Regular Meeting - 7:30 p.m.
Board of Education Administrative Offices, 17715 Brady Street, Redford MI 48240

Future Meeting Dates

MOVED by Caloia, seconded by Wierimaa, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 PM.
Total: Yes: 6 No: 0. Motion: Carries.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Gubachy, Vice President,
Redford Union Schools Board of Education