

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION
 REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1
 February 8, 2016

Regular Meeting
2/08/2016

A Regular Meeting of the Redford Union Board of Education was held February 8, 2016, at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 17715 Brady Street, Redford Township, Michigan, 48240. President Kurland called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Call to Order

Present: Doby, Graham, Gubachy, Isabell, Kurland and Pridemore

Roll Call

Absent: Caloia, Student Representative Hovey

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Pledge of Allegiance

None

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 introduced and welcomed her new executive assistant, Jackie Benson-Warren. She also thanked all those who participated in the Water Drive for the Flint community, specifically giving thanks to Bob Miller, our Baseball coach for being the brain child of this idea, and to Trustee Graham and her family for all of their hard work. Over 420,000 bottles of water were collected. Trustee Graham thanked our teams, Parent clubs and Blue & Gold for their assistance.

Superintendent
Remarks

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Graham, to approve the February 8, 2016 agenda as presented. Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion Carries.

Adoption of Agenda

None

Board Secretary
Communications

None

Asst. Supt. of
Business Services

Superintendent Shivers stated that these are Superintendent Committees, and as of now they have not been meeting on a regular basis, therefore she will be removing these committee updates from the Agenda. If and when they do start meeting again, they will be added to the agenda as needed.

Administrative
Committee Reports

Building/Facilities – No meeting last month. Next meeting is TBD.

Curriculum – No meeting last month. Next meeting is TBD.

Finance – No meeting last month. Next Meeting is TBD.

Personnel – No meeting last month. Next meeting TBD.

Policy – No meeting next month. Next meeting is TBD.

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Doby, to approve the consent agenda items as

Consent Agenda

presented. Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion Carries.

- Waive the reading and approve the January 11, 2016 Organizational Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education as presented.
- Waive the reading and approve the January 11, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education as presented.
- Waive the reading and approve the January 25, 2016 Special Meeting (workshop) minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education as presented.
- Waive the reading and approve the January 25, 2016 Special Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education as presented.
- Waive the reading and approve the January 25, 2016 Closed Meeting minutes of the Redford Union Board of Education as presented.
- Approve the payment of \$1,430,084.99 for checks dated 1/06/2016 to 2/02/2016.
- Approve the electronic transfers for the month of January 2016 in the amount of \$1,950,130.23.
- Approve NEW HIRE: Certified listed below:
 1. Jacquelyn Benson-Warren/Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/Effective 2/1/16
 2. Danielle Monroe/Educational Assistant/Stuckey EDT/Effective 2/3/16
 3. Allison Weyand/Educational Assistant/MacGowan/Effective 1/11/16
- Approve the LEAVE requests as listed below:
 1. Megan Dolan/Teacher/MacGowan/FMLA/Effective 2/17/2016
 2. Joey Webb/Teacher/MacGowan/Health Leave/Effective 2/1/16

Organizational Minutes of
January 11, 2016
Regular Minutes of
January 11, 2016
Special Workshop
Minutes of
January 25, 2016
Special Minutes of
January 25, 2016
Closed Minutes of
January 25, 2016
Disposition of Checks
January, 2016
Electronic Transfers
January, 2016

J.Benson-Warren

D. Monroe

A. Weyand

M. Dolan

J. Webb

Action Items

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Pridemore that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Assistant Superintendent Greg McIntyre, approve Abraham & Gaffney, P.C., to perform the audit for Redford Union Schools, District No. 1 for the years ending June 30, 2016, 2017, and 2018, per the engagement letter attached.

Abraham & Gaffney, PC
as District Auditors
extended for three years
TABLED

Trustee Doby stated that she went to Mr. McIntyre with the following questions regarding the District Auditors just prior to the beginning of the meeting to ask the following questions, realizing that there was not enough time to find the answers, but wanted her fellow board members to know: 1) Can the contract with the auditors be amended to add items that they would like the auditors review; and 2) Is it normal to stay with the same auditor for six years in a row; and 3) Concern with the Arbitration clause – what is the districts stance as to why we would agree to arbitration? After some discussion, and Assistant Superintendent McIntyre stating that there is no rush to have done at this meeting, it was THEN **MOVED** by Doby, seconded by Graham, to table this motion until the March Board Meeting, where answers can be given and discussed.

Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carries

MOVED by Doby, seconded by Isabell, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of the reinstatement committee which met on Monday, January 25, 2016, unconditionally reinstate student O.H. in the Redford Union School District effective February 9, 2016. Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carries.

Reinstatement of
Student O.H.
Effective 2/2016
Approved

MOVED by Pridemore, seconded by Graham that the Board of Education, at the Regular Board Meeting: 2/08/2016

Denial to

recommendation of the reinstatement committee, which met on Monday, January 25, 2016, deny to reinstate student T.S. in the Redford Union School District. After some discussion, it was determined that the board members were not ready to vote:, so it was

MOVED by Gubachy, seconded by Graham to Table this to next month, or until a Special Board Meeting can be set. Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carries

Reinstatement of
Student T.S.
TABLED

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Doby, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Superintendent Dr. Sarena Shivers, approve MASB to assist Redford Union Schools, District No. 1 in the development of our Strategic Plan, per the document presented at the January 11, 2016 Board Meeting.
Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion Carries.

MASB for District
Strategic Plan
Approved

None

Items removed from the
Consent Agenda

Dr. Shivers stated that the grant that South Redford received has started the process for the feasibility study. She has requested a copy of the grant. She has met with SR Superintendent Galdes to find out his timeline and intent of the feasibility study – which she requested in writing from him before it begins; as she would like to review this with our strategic group members. She and Assistant Superintendent McIntyre will be visiting our buildings to answer questions regarding the Strategic Plan process and annexation. She also met with Principal Nachman and Mr. Battistelli regarding class trips, and what we can do to offer trips accessible to more of our students, not just 1 or 2.

Superintendent's Comments

None

Call to the Audience on
Non Agenda Items

Trustee Pridemore stated that the Donkey Basketball game at RUHS takes place on March 4th. The RUHS Quiz Bowl team advanced to playoffs. President Kurland talked about the water drive, and that she went to Flint to help distribute water and to canvass households.

Board of Education
Communication/Discussion

A. Monday, March 9, 2016 – Regular Meeting - 7:30 PM
Board of Education Admin. Offices, 17715 Brady Street, Redford, MI 48240

Future Meeting Dates

MOVED by Isabell, seconded by Graham, to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 PM
Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carries.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Isabell, Secretary
Redford Union Schools
Board of Education