



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF ROYAL OAK

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BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

November 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. – Board Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: President, Gary Briggs; Vice President, Deborah Anderson; Secretary, Treasurer, Michael Hartman; Marty Cardamone; Trustee, Lisa Bradford; Trustee, Carrie Beerer and Trustee, Jeff Brinker

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent, Shawn Lewis-Lakin; Executive Director Business Services and Finance, Rick West; Executive Director Administrative Services, Cheryl Goodgine; Assistant to the Superintendent & Board, Paula Sutterfield

ABSENT:

1. **OPENING / CALL TO ORDER** Mr. Briggs called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by: Mrs. Anderson

Seconded by: Mr. Cardamone

Agenda approved as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Briggs	Yes
Mrs. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Cardamone	Yes
Mr. Hartman	Yes
Mrs. Beerer	Yes
Mrs. Bradford	Yes
Mr. Brinker	Yes

Motion Carried: Unanimously

4. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS / PRESENTATIONS

4.1. Dylan Yates Art/Calendar Michael Greening/Anna Lukezich

Michael Greening introduced graphics teacher Anna Lukezich. Anna spoke about the school to career class and how through inclusion, special needs student Dylan Yates has used his skills to "brand" himself. He has created & marketed a calendar and note cards, www.DylanYatesArt.com.

4.2. Gifts

4.2.1. Matthews-Hargreaves Chevy Brian Gordon

Brian Gordon spoke about the partnership developed with Matthews-Hargreaves, which helped to raise funds for athletic transportation.

Moved by: Mrs. Beerer Seconded by: Mrs. Bradford

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby accept the donation of \$1,000 from Matthews-Hargreaves Chevrolet to Royal Oak High School

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Briggs	Yes
Mrs. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Cardamone	Yes
Mr. Hartman	Yes
Mrs. Beerer	Yes
Mrs. Bradford	Yes
Mr. Brinker	Yes

Motion Carried: Unanimously

4.3. Human Resources / IT Update Cheryl Goodgine

- 2012-2013 Kindergarten Open Houses & Enrollment

Cheryl Goodgine reviewed the timeline for kindergarten welcome nights and elementary open houses. She also outlined the elementary transfer process, previously known as open enrollment.

4.4. Economic / Budget / Audit Update

Rick West

Rick West gave an update on legislation & impact:

- Act 152 – Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act
Limits public employer's expenditures for employee medical benefit plans. Savings would not realized immediately due to contracts.
- Retirement Rate
The retirement rate continues to rise, 2011-12 rate is 24.46% and the 2012-13 rate will be 27.37%.
- Other budget impact items:
Loss of Edujob Funds
Personal Property Tax Repeal
Kindergarten Funding Formula Changes

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Shawn Lewis-Lakin

5.1. Report on Board Workshop

A presentation was made on topics covered at the Board Workshop on October 29, 2011.

- 2012-2013 Planning
- Add'l 2011-2012 Projects
- Long Term Planning

5.2. Update on Legislation

Spoke about Anti-Bullying, Charter & Cyber Schools legislation.

5.3. Other

Congratulations to Gary Briggs & Lisa Bradford on their re-election to the board.

6. COMMUNICATIONS – Mr. Cardamone received the following communications:

- Kelly Geyer emailed a thank you for the Advanced Video class option at ROHS.
- Suzanne Johnson sent an email asking if the personal property tax is repealed what effect it will have on special education.
- Candi Drouillard spoke to board members regarding all day kindergarten.

7. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK

If you would like to address the Board of Education:

- ❖ Please remain seated and raise your hand.
- ❖ When called on by the Board President, please come to the microphone, and state Name & Address for the record.
- ❖ You will have 3 minutes to address the Board.
- ❖ Please address the Board as a whole and not individually.
- ❖ When you are finished, please sign the sign-in sheet before you return to your seat.

If you exceed your 3 minutes the Board President will ask you to please finish your comments, if you need more time you are offered a second opportunity to address the Board at the end of the meeting with an additional 3 minutes. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

- Kellie Orloski, 1214 S. Campbell, RO – concerned about the moving of all day kindergarten.
- Debra Schultz, 502 Woodside, RO – spoke about effects on special needs students if district was to consolidate special education services.
- Mike Grigg, 1210 Normandy, RO – concerned about moving program for students aged 19-26 with special needs. Feels district needs to do a better job at informing parents about changes, for better decisions.
- Evelyn Moses, 2125 Kalama, RO – spoke about the all day kindergarten program.
- Kate Rybicky, 1719 Roseland, RO – spoke about the all day kindergarten program.

8. *CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda items approved at this time.

Changes to consent agenda:

Items added, 9.1

Items removed, 8.1.2

8.1. *Personnel / Instruction / Business

8.1.1. *Personnel Changes

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby approves the following regular personnel changes:

NAME	POSITION	ACTION	EFFECTIVE DATE
Christensen, Diane	Teacher	Retired	November 30, 2011
Todd, Karen	Teacher	Resigned	2011-2012 School Year

8.1.2. **All Day Kindergarten Programming - Removed from Consent Agenda*

8.1.3. **Discipline Policy- First Reading*

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves revisions to Discipline Policy (# 4500) as presented at the first reading.

8.1.4. **Field Trips*

8.1.4.1. Oakland Elementary – Lansing, MI

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the request from Oakland Elementary for approximately 52 third grade students to visit the State Capital building, Science Museum & Historical Museum in Lansing, MI, May 3, 2012.

8.1.5. **Royal Oak Youth Assistance*

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the recommendation of new members of the School District of the City of Royal Oak to the Royal Oak Youth Assistance Board of Directors of Anne Filippis, Allison Sykes, Stephanie Johnson, and Patrick Van Lehn.

8.1.6. **Minutes*

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2011 and the Special Meeting of October 20, and 29, 2011.

8.1.7. **NEOLA Contract*

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby authorizes the Superintendent to enter into a contract with Neola, Inc. as the source for the development and updating of School Board policies, administrative guidelines, and correlated materials.

8.1.8. *Payment of Expenditures

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby approves expenditures as processed in the amount of \$4,225,099.17 for the period of September 04, 2011 through October 01, 2011.

9. BOARD ACTION & NON-ACTION ITEMS

*Added to Consent Agenda

9.1. *2012-2013 Schools of Choice

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak accepts kindergarten through third grade eligible applicants under Schools of Choice Section 105, on a per building space available basis for the 2012-13 school year. Beginning May 1, 2012 through August 3, 2012 applications will be available on the District website and at the Administrative Building.

9.2. All Day Kindergarten Programming – removed from consent agenda

Motion made to table item

Moved by: Mr. Hartman

Seconded by: Mr. Brinker

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Briggs	Yes
Mrs. Anderson	Yes
Mr. Cardamone	Yes
Mr. Hartman	Yes
Mrs. Beerer	Yes
Mrs. Bradford	Yes
Mr. Brinker	Yes

Motion Carried: Unanimously

10. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK

- Kate Rybicky, 1719 Roseland, RO – thanked board for postponing decision on location of all day kindergarten for 2012-2013

11. BOARD COMMENT'S / LIAISON REPORT

- Deb Anderson stated that the Royal Oak Foundation for Public Education recently awarded \$15,000 in mini grants.

12. ADJOURNMENT

President Briggs adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marty Cardamone
Secretary, Board of Education