

MINUTES OF AUGUST 28, 2018 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Riverview Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Tim Bohr in the Council Chambers at Riverview City Hall, 14100 Civic Park Drive, Riverview, MI 48193.

The following members were present at roll call: President Bohr, Vice President O'Brien, Secretary Wright, Treasurer Laura-Frazier, Trustee Davis, Trustee Irving and Trustee Walker

Also Present: Dr. Russell E. Pickell, Superintendent
Cathy Rios, District Secretary

GUEST AND VISITOR COMMENTS

There weren't any people addressing the Board of Education at this time.

A-36 – ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Moved by Secretary Wright and supported by Vice President O'Brien that the Riverview Board of Education approves the Agenda for the August 28, 2018 regular meeting.

Yeas: Bohr, Davis, Irving, Laura-Frazier, O'Brien, Walker, Wright

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

A-37 - APPROVAL OF CONSENT GROUPING

Moved by Vice President O'Brien and Trustee Walker that the Riverview Board of Education approves the Minutes of the July 24, 2018 Regular Meeting and approves the check registers, expense reports, employment of certified personnel, employment of non-certified personnel and individual contracts as all contained in the Consent Grouping.

Yeas: Bohr, Davis, Irving, Laura-Frazier, O'Brien, Walker, Wright

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS/LEGISLATIVE REPORTS/ COMMITTEE REPORTS

Since there was nothing legislatively to report, Superintendent Pickell spoke about today's events in the District. We had a great opening day and spent the morning at Woodhaven High School. This is the second year in a row that we shared a joint opening with the staffs at Woodhaven Brownstown School District and Riverview School District. Last year we were joined by Trenton Public Schools; this year we were joined by Flat Rock's Administrative Team and last November we were joined by Flat Rock's teaching staff as well. We like to work together in this area to make sure that we can bring in more impactful people and we have a chance for our teachers to crossover with other teachers and share experiences. This was a great morning and we were blessed by having Thomas Murray, a nationally acclaimed author on school culture, transforming learning and learning leadership.

In the afternoon, we had Mr. Murray spend the rest of the day in the District with us. All of our teachers got an additional hour and a half with him and he finished up the day with our Administrative Team. Thomas C. Murray is a great speaker and he has done it all, teacher, administrator, he has been a child education advocate his entire life. Mr. Gribble has had many engagements with him through MACULL and various organizations so it was nice to be able to bring him into our District and jumpstart everything for our staff. He was really able to key in on how to have a positive culture in your schools. It was a great start of the school year.

We have about 60 high school students who have actually been in class for a week and a half now. We have that many starting our Early College program at Wayne County Community College. That is a new initiative for our district and if you go through the program for 2 years as a junior and a senior you have the potential to earn 25 college credits before you graduate from the district. These are college credits that are paid for by the district so it gets you started on that solid college career path. All classes taken are covered under the Michigan Articulation Agreement and all classes will transfer to any university in the state.

Our football team had their first game and had a victory over Romulus and they play again Thursday evening in Flat Rock.

Dr. Pickell indicated that he has been working on the bond information with regard to the upcoming election. He is working on FAQ and they will be in the Riverview Register as well as our website. The unique thing about this bond is that we have put together all the information that we have learned from the past. The bond itself is a zero mil increase and will not change the taxes for our citizens and will give us about 13 million dollars.

Also on the ballot is a proposal for a two-mil sinking fund which will only last for 6 years. We knew from previous attempts the duration was an issue. Out of the 34 districts in Wayne County we are number 28 in the taxable mils so that shows that we are not financing our district improvements as others are around us.

We are hoping this will be one of the more positive things on the November ballot.

A-38 –FIRST READING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY UPDATES

Moved by Treasurer Laura-Frazier and supported by Trustee Davis that the Riverview Board of Education approves the Resolution Calling Election as attached.

Yeas: Bohr, Davis, Irving, Laura-Frazier, O'Brien, Walker, Wright

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

GUEST AND VISITOR COMMENTS

There was one person addressing the Board of Education at this time.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION PRESENTED BY BOARD MEMBERS CONCERNING WHICH NO ACTION CAN BE TAKEN

Trustee Irving welcomed all of the new staff and administration and wished everyone a great beginning of the school year.

President Bohr thanked the staff members that took advantage of the early incentive offer and thank them for their years of service in in providing a great education for our students in the district. He wishes them well in their future endeavors whether it is working in another district or a well-earned retirement.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Secretary Wright and supported by Trustee Walker that the August 28, 2018 Board of Education Regular Meeting be adjourned.

Yeas: Bohr, Davis, Laura-Frazier, Irving, O'Brien, Walker, Wright

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Amy Wright, Secretary
Riverview Board of Education

Accepted September 25, 2018