

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 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, Treasurer Laura-Frazier, Trustee Davis, Trustee Irving and Trustee Walker
Secretary Wright arrived at 7:07 p.m.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

PRESENTATIONS – With regard to Fall Sports, Mr. Hatzl introduced Tom Roberts, the Girl's Varsity Swim coach, who honored the accomplishments of 5 top swimmers. Next, he introduced Coach Derick McLaughlin, Varsity Football coach who congratulated the team on a great season and qualifying for the State Playoffs.

Chef Wayne Stolt introduced some students who presented three PowerPoint slideshows showcasing their trip to Orlando last year, the Thanksgiving Dinner they hosted for the community and slides from the Family Cooking Class that they offered to the public.

GUEST AND VISITOR COMMENTS

There were six people addressing the Board of Education at this time.

A-54 – ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Moved by Secretary Wright and supported by Trustee Walker that the Riverview Board of Education approves the Agenda for the December 18, 2018 regular meeting.

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

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

A-55 - APPROVAL OF CONSENT GROUPING

Moved by Secretary Wright and supported by Treasurer Laura-Frazier that the Riverview Board of Education approves the Minutes of the November 27, 2018 Regular Meeting and the December 4, 2018 Study Session, check registers, expense reports, the employment of certified personnel, and adopt the Superintendent's evaluation as all contained in the Consent Grouping.

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

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

STUDENT LIAISON REPORT: Mackenzie McMahon gave a summary of current and upcoming events.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS/LEGISLATIVE REPORTS/ COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dr. Pickell commended the schools, students and families in their participation in the Goodfellows collections. There is a lot of work that goes into this and it is really nice to see the amount of support that the community gives to make sure the needy families are taken care of during the holidays. Last Thursday RCHS hosted the DCTC Board and Mr. Stolt and his class did an awesome job catering that event and showing off their program.

Legislatively not really anything much to report. The Board signed a proclamation not supporting the A-F legislation unfortunately that was still passed. It is unfortunate that our efforts did not work but they are pushing through almost every bad legislation.

Administratively we are winding down and getting ready for the holidays. Dr. Pickell wished everyone a wonderful and safe holiday season.

A-56 –SECOND & FINAL READING AND ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICY UPDATES

Moved by Treasurer Laura-Frazier and supported by Vice President O'Brien that the Riverview Board of Education waives the second and third readings and immediately adopts the Board of Education Policy Updates 2.06 and 2.07 as proposed.

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

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

A-57 - FIRST READING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY UPDATES - NOVEMBER 2018

Moved by Secretary Wright and supported by Treasurer Laura-Frazier that the Riverview Board of Education accepts for purposes of a first reading, the Policy Manual Updates – November 2018 as attached. Further this modification and update be placed on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled Board meeting for a second and third reading and final adoption.

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

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

A-58 - APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND DELEGATING THE SALE OF SCHOOL BUILDING AND SITE BONDS

Moved by Trustee Irving and supported by Vice President O'Brien that the Riverview Board of Education approves the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Delegating the Sale of School Building and Site Bonds as attached.

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

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

GUEST AND VISITOR COMMENTS

There were four people addressing the Board of Education at this time.

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

President Bohr recognized our board members, Secretary Amy Wright and Trustee Sherry Irving, who are outgoing after a long period of dedication to this Board. He feels privileged to have worked with them for the last few years. President Bohr had attended two delegate assemblies with Secretary Wright and got to know her giving him insight into her experience, dedication and commitment to this Board. In working with Trustee Irving over the years, he has had the opportunity to work with her on committee work behind the scenes. Her lifelong experience as an educator and administrator clearly showed through and she was a role model for himself and other board members to learn committee work.

Sherry and Amy have continually shown an unwavering commitment to the needs and interests of the children of our district and they have been unrelenting in their drive for the highest quality in excellence in the offerings, programs and foundational blocks of the District for all stakeholders. They will both be missed.

Dr. Pickell commented that this was a great evening and also a very somber evening. Tonight we bid farewell to two awesome ladies who have given their time and energy to the service of this community. Holding a public office in a representative democracy is a challenging test of character. You have a responsibility to make decisions in the best interest of the whole while processing information, opinions and data from all sides of an issue. To be successful you need to have a thick skin, good set of ears, a compassionate heart, and a strong moral compass to guide you along the way. “Sherry and Amy, your time in the arena has come to an end. You have represented our children and our community with compassion and dignity. Thank you for your service. Thank you for the insight and collegiality you have provided to the fellow board members and thank you for the direction and counsel you have provided to me. We all wish you joy and peace in your future endeavors.”

Trustee Irving thanked her fellow board members, Dr. Pickell, all the teachers, staff, students and the community for the opportunity to serve on the Board for the past 4 years. It has definitely been an interesting four years to view things from the other side. With her last two boys graduating and the birth of her granddaughter she felt it was time to move on and pursue other opportunities. Trustee Irving then gave the Board some words of advice to continue on.

Secretary Wright thanked the community for voting her in. It had been an interesting six years and she was glad she was given the opportunity to serve with the great board members who are currently here as well as those prior. She wished continued success to the Board and welcomed the new members coming on and is looking forward to seeing the wonderful things they will do for this district.

Lastly, President Bohr wanted to make sure that everyone had the latest pricing for the latchkey. We realize it may not fit everyone's schedule and pocketbook but he feels the curriculum part of the program has a lot to offer. He sees this program to help the kids spend that time in latchkey to try to "learn to like learning". We're all lifelong learners whether we're college bound or career tech bound and we don't know what the jobs of the next 20-25 years are so if this Champions program can help our kids like to learn and attach to some of the areas in their brochure, he sees that as a large benefit. When a child gets to middle school and high school and they have a strong dislike for learning that is very hard to reverse.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Treasurer Laura-Frazier and supported by Secretary Wright that the December 18, 2018 Board of Education Regular Meeting be adjourned.

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

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Accepted January 29, 2019

_____, Secretary
Riverview Board of Education