

ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
36540 Grant Road
Romulus, Michigan 48174

Regular Meeting
November 23, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, November 23, 2009, was called to order at 6:30 P. M. by President Buckley.

Roll call showed McLachlan, Funderburg, Mientkiewicz, Crout and Buckley present, Kuderik absent-excused. Mr. Carl J. Weiss, Superintendent, Mrs. Sherri Papazoglou, Director of Business and Operations, Mr. Daniel Hurst, Director of Curriculum, and Mr. James Baker, Director of Human Resources were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Buckley.

CONSENT AGENDA

11/09/9

Moved by Mientkiewicz, supported by McLachlan to approve the Consent Agenda as presented as follows:

- A. To approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of November 9, 2009.
- B. To approve the Personnel Actions as submitted by James Baker, Director of Human Resources, as follows: Retirement: Dianne Chapman, Bus Driver in the Transportation Department, effective February 1, 2010. Last day of work is January 29, 2010.
Resignations: Ellen Craig-Bragg, Secretary II - Guidance Office Secretary at Romulus High School effective November 20, 2009 (end of the day); Stacy Paige, Secretary II, Elementary Secretary at Halecreek Elementary School, effective November 9, 2009 (end of the day).
- C. To approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Sherri Papazoglou, Director of Business and Operations, in the amount of \$578,741.46.

Ayes: 5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Presentation - Six Types of Parent Involvement - How it affects students' achievement.
Wick Elementary Mrs. Johnson, Wick's principal, indicated that the school is working very hard to improve parent, family and community involvement. The

school has renewed its membership with Johns Hopkins University, National Network of Partnership Schools, and have implemented Joyce Epstein's Six Types of Parent Involvement (Communicating, Parenting, Student Learning, Volunteering, School Decision Making and Advocacy, and Collaborating with Community) in hopes to improve student achievement by strengthening its parent, family, and community connections. Staff members and students introduced and described each type and mentioned a few examples of school practices and activities that relate to each involvement. Ms. Miller, Title I Learning Specialist at Wick, reported on Communication and Parenting. While Mrs. Wood, Kindergarten teacher, and one of her students, Christopher Mangrum, spoke of Game Night that it is held annually at Wick to help parents support their child's learning. Danielle Funderburg, parent volunteer and Board of Education member, spoke about the many parent volunteer opportunities. Mrs. Redmond talked about parents involvement in the decision making process, and Mr. Holyszko and members from Mr. Gibb-Randall's Student Council Body (Marissa Eldridge, Austin Frazier-Smith, Shayla Johnson, D'Mario Northington, Dymon James, Avion Horton, Kaliah Kirkpatrick and Jeremiah Posey) all spoke about the many ways that Wick collaborates with the community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NEGOTIATIONS

11/09/10 Moved by McLachlan supported by Funderburg to convene into Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations. Roll call vote: McLachlan, Mientkiewicz, Funderburg, Buckley and Crout. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Board convened into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m.

11/09/11 Moved by Mientkiewicz supported by Crout that the Board of Education reconvene into regular session at 7:50 p.m. Roll call vote: McLachlan, Mientkiewicz, Funderburg, Buckley and Crout. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Board convened into Regular Session at 7:50 p.m.

11/09/12 Moved by McLachlan supported by Crout that the Board of Education amended the Agenda to move 10 and 11 to follow 7. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Reduction of Budget Expenditures

11/09/13 Moved by Mientkiewicz supported by Crout that the Board of Education direct the Superintendent to reduce budget expenditures in the amount of \$2 million dollars for the 2009-

2010 school year due to funding reductions of approximately \$600 per student. Ayes: 4. Nays: McLachlan. Motion carried.

Authorization for Superintendent to enter into Negotiations for Emergency Plan

11/09/14 Moved by Funderburg supported by Crout that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to enter into negotiations for Emergency Plan due to State of Michigan's budget reductions for the 2009-2010 school year. Ayes: 4. Nays: McLachlan. Motion carried.

Appointment of New Board Member Update

Superintendent Weiss announced that there are 5 candidates (Theresa Beard, Keenan Brown, Betty Lenossi, Sylvia Makowski, and John Thiede) for vacant seat on Board of Education. He reviewed procedures for interviews being conducted in an open meeting on November 30th at the Board Office beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Reinstatement - Student#20013114

11/09/15 Moved by Crout supported by Mientkiewicz that the board of education reinstate student #20013114 to Romulus Community Schools to Romulus High School effective December 7, 2009 as outlined in written recommendation of School Reinstatement Committee. Ayes: 4 Nays: McLachlan. Motion carried.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Superintendent Weiss provided items of interest to the board as follows: 1) Wingspan 2) Barth News 3) Cory Newsletter 4) What's Going On? Cory News 5) Turkey Bowl 6) Certificate of Appreciation Board of Ed Members 7) Congratulations - 7th Grade Middle School Coach - Tom Patterson 8) Congratulations - Girls JV Volleyball Team Coach - Carol Logerstedt

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Jay Williams, 9774 Marc, Romulus, Michigan appeared before the board of Education with concerns about possible concessions and layoffs due to loss of state funding. Kim Myer, Local 64 member addressed the board with concerns about concessions and pay freezes. Superintendent Weiss asked that concerns be put in writing and he would respond to them in writing.

QUESTIONS AND/OR CONCERNS AND UPDATES OF BOARD MEMBERS

Danielle Funderburg wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving. Mrs. Funderburg further invited everyone to attend Wick Elementary School Movie Night on December 4th at 6:00 p.m. and to visit Santa's Shop while there. Ken Mientkiewicz spoke about outstanding Turkey Luncheon given by Mr. Legg's students at Barth Elementary. Sandra Crout informed everyone of Goodfellows papers being distributed December 4th and 5th in Romulus and everyone is welcome to volunteer. Mrs. Crout also informed everyone that tickets are on sale for Tea being held at the Romulus Athletic Center in support of Goodfellows. Cheryle Buckley attended the Athletic Banquet at RHS and commended Mr. Woodson and support staff for excellent job.

ADJOURNMENT

11/09/16 Moved by McLachlan supported by Funderburg to adjourn. Ayes:
5. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Crout, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education