

ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
36540 Grant Road
Romulus, Michigan 48174
Regular Meeting
July 24, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, July 24, 2017, was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Funderburg.

Roll call showed: Pyles, Kuderik, McLachlan, Caldwell, Beard and Funderburg present.
Absent/Excused: Safford. Also in attendance: Marjie McAnally, Superintendent, Gary Banas, Director of Human Resources, Karensa Smith, Director of Curriculum and Grants and Dr. Vincent Mensah, Director of Finance and Operations.

- 7/24/10** Moved by McLachlan supported by Kuderik to approve the Agenda as presented:
- A. Approval: To approve the revised minutes of May 22, 2017.
 - B. Approval: To approve the Minutes of the Board of Education of the Regular Meeting of July 10, 2017.
 - C. Approval: To approve the Personnel Actions as submitted by Gary Banas, Director of Human Resources: LOA: Joseph Burgerino-RHS.
 - D. Approval: To approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Dr. Vincent Mensah, Director of Business and Operations in the amount of \$455,480.82.
Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Athletes GPA

- 7/24/11** **5-A-1** Moved by McLachlan supported by Caldwell to Suspend the Rules (Parliamentary Procedure under Robert's Rules of Order). Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- 7/24/12** **5-A-2** Moved by McLachlan supported by Beard to Waive First Reading of Revised policy 7210-Interscholastic Athletics. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.
- 7/24/13** **5-A-3** Moved by Beard supported by Pyles to accept Second Reading and immediate adoption of Revised Policy 7210-Interscholastic Athletics, with the 2017-2018 fall season grandfathered in.. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

B. Update-Energy Savings Performance Contract

Energy Savings Performance Contract Report by Kurt Carter: Several board members asked questions about the lengthy presentation Mr. Carter gave as to the status of the project. Specifically, Mr. McLachlan asked about the "baseline" savings estimates, as well as the "overage" with regard to contract service/maintenance, and if there was solid evidence that either the estimate was not sufficient or that the "overage" could be attributed to a particular source. Mr. Carter stated that indeed the cost savings estimate was just that, an estimate, which could have been affected by several years of artificially low maintenance costs due to the district's financial inability to maintain an ideal preventative maintenance and repair schedule. Mr. Carter also stated that, since the business office/district did not utilize any work order or tracking to separate project costs from emergency or standard repair/preventative maintenance, there was no accurate way to pinpoint any responsible area for the overage.

C. Facilities Manager Contract

7/24/14 Moved by McLachlan supported by Kuderik to authorize the posting and filling of the Facilities Manager position as outlined in the Board Packet. Discussion amongst Board Members indicated the position, and the person that currently held the position as an employee of a contractor, was directed by Board Action 5/22/17. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

D. Replacement of Transportation Buses

7/24/15 Moved by Kuderik and McLachlan that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Director of Business and Operations and the Transportation Director (Durham School Services) to purchase the Replacements for the two batches of school buses as presented , which have been decommissioned and declared surplus for eleven (11) busses at a cost of \$765,532.00 and Budgeted for \$960,000 for bus purchases in FY 2017-2018. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

E. Resolution Opposing the Elimination of Title II-A Funding

7/24/16 Moved by McLachlan supported by Kuderik that the Board adopt the resolution as presented opposing elimination of Title II-A funding and district administration work with our Congressional Representatives and other stakeholders to protect Title II-A funding throughout the federal budget process and that the administration forward the resolution to all appropriate parties. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

7/24/17 **Lusk Albertson Law Firm – Policy Revisions**

F. Moved by McLachlan supported by Kuderik that the Board of Education negotiate a contract with Lusk Albertson Law Firm and to conduct revision/review of all policies and (the Board had approved using NEOLA action will save the district approximately \$10,000.) Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

- G. FYI-
1. Jones Sub Reunion-July 21, 22, 23
 2. Academic Fun Fair-August 12th
 3. Burton Center

VI. COMMUNICATIONS AND EXPRESSIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Sandy Tenney addressed the Board of Education about a resident that operates urban farming in the area, seeking an acre of land for his use. The Board and Superintendent said they would take the matter under advisement.

VII. QUESTIONS AND/OR CONCERNS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. McLachlan reminded everyone of the importance of working toward a positive outcome of the millage. Mrs. Beard gave a report about the progress of the Policy Committee and passed out a letter to the Board explaining the planned process the committee will take. Mrs. Funderburg stated that WCRESA also passed the Title II-A resolution. She also thanked Ms. Caldwell and Mr. McLachlan for their ongoing work with the millage and the legislative issues facing the district. Mrs. Funderburg also stated that board will be adding questions and concerns from administration to Agenda.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION –RASA CONTRACT UPDATE

7/24/18 Moved by McLachlan supported by Caldwell that the Board convene into Executive Session for the purpose of RASA negotiations and to discuss a letter from the attorney regarding potential legal action. Roll call vote unanimous Ayes: 6 Nays: 0. Motion carried unanimously.

Board convened into
Executive Session at 8:10 p.m.

7/24/19 Moved by McLachlan supported by Kuderik that the Board of Education convene into regular session. Roll call vote: Pyles, Caldwell, Kuderik, McLachlan, Beard and Funderburg.: Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Board convened into regular session at 8:49 p.m.

IX. RASA MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

7/24/20 Moved by McLachlan supported by Pyles that the Board of Education accept the terms of the MOU as presented in Closed Session. The administration, as part of the motion, was directed to report to the Board as soon as possible on the impact on benefits. Roll call vote: Pyles, Caldwell, Kuderik, McLachlan, Beard and Funderburg. Nays: 0. Motion carried..

X. ADJOURNMENT

7/24/21 Moved by McLachlan supported by Kuderik that the Board of Education adjourn. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned by 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert McLachlan, Secretary

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ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Kuderik supported by McLachlan to adjourn.

Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert McLachlan, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education