



BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting Preliminary Minutes
Monday, March 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm
Pathways High School (held at Kenowa Hills Middle School)
3950 Hendershot NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49544

<p>I. Routine Business</p> <p>A. A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 pm at Pathways High School (Kenowa Hills Middle School Cafateria), 3950 Hendershot NW, Grand Rapids, MI.</p> <p>B. President Gustinis opened the meeting with a moment of silence.</p> <p>C. Members Present: Courtade, Gustinis, Hart, Rettig, Storey, Szczepaniak, and Truskoski. Superintendent Hopkins, Assistant Superintendent Burde and Director of Finance Gilchrist were also present. Student Representative Emily Bajema was absent.</p> <p>D. Motion by Member Szczepaniak supported by Member Truskoski to approve the agenda. Motion approved 7-0.</p>	<p>CALL TO ORDER</p> <p>MOMENT OF SILENCE</p> <p>ROLL CALL</p> <p>APPROVE AGENDA</p>
<p>II. Hearings and Correspondence</p> <p>A. Correspondence - None</p> <p>B. Superintendent Hopkins acknowledged the following contributions with appreciation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Dan Brant - Donation of books to Early Childhood Center 2. Michigan Chapter of Professional Geologists - Donation of \$500 to the HS STEM program 3. McDonalds in Walker - Donation of food for Alpine's Family Math Night 4. High School First Robotics Team <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Chemical Bank - \$500 b. GWS Tool Group - \$500 c. Challenge Manufacturing - \$2500 <p>C. Board Communication - Board members shared of their recent attendance and participation in District activities.</p> <p>D. Community/Board Dialogue (Comments Specific to Board Agenda Items) - None</p> <p><i>The purpose of this meeting is to conduct Board of Education business. There will typically be no attempt to comment or give answers at this meeting. Inquiries will be referred to the superintendent for response at a later time.</i></p>	<p>CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>RECOGNITION</p> <p>BOE COMMUNICATION</p> <p>COMMUNITY DIALOGUE</p>
<p>III. Information Items</p> <p>A. Director of Online Student Services Report, Jared Herron</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Herron provided highlights of the Pathways' internship program. Students attending Pathways are in a blended learning environment with instruction provided online, so the goal was to increase student's employability skills by giving students a hands-on experience in a local business. Mr. Herron noted 23 students currently have an internship, 18 of which are outside the school district. Students are transported to/from their internship by Pathways' staff. The accessibility of vans is a barrier to more students having an internship. 	<p>PRINCIPAL REPORT</p>

2. Mr. Chrapek shared statistics for the internship program which is in its second year. Some of our students have received job offers upon graduation from high school based on their internship. There are some employers who are willing to help students with the expense of college courses.
3. Five Pathways students shared highlights of their internships, the things they enjoy most about the program and what they have learned from being involved with community businesses.
4. Board members had discussion regarding the need for an additional van to help place more students in internships. This will be discussed in more detail during the budgeting process.

B. Superintendent Report

1. Safety & Security

- a. Superintendent Hopkins expressed his appreciation to Assistant Superintendent Burde and his team for submitting a grant proposal for the MSP Security Grant. The grant application totalled \$200,000 for the purchase of safety badges that will connect to wi-fi and allow for direct communication with school offices, the district office and local emergency personnel in the event of an emergency. The device would allow alerts to be shared with staff members without utilizing the PA system. Technology and security needs to be thought of together in these type of programs.

2. Bond Construction Update

- a. Zinser Elementary's new classrooms, extended learning area and restrooms are on schedule to open upon return from spring break. The new Zinser gymnasium is on target to open in August 2019 along with the renovations and updates throughout the entire school.

3. Governor's Budget Proposal

- a. Superintendent Hopkins shared highlights of Governor Whitmer's budget proposal and how it would affect Kenowa Hills. Director of Finance Gilchrist shared information regarding how the Governor's proposal would be funded, which would include the need for the 45 cent gas tax increase.
- b. Superintendent Hopkins provided an overview of two recent studies that examined education in Michigan - the School Finance Research Collaborative and an Education Policy Report from Michigan State University. These studies concluded Michigan ranks 50 out of 50 out of improvements of schools as well as 50 out of 50 in state funding for schools.

4. Superintendent Goals Review

- a. President Gustinis shared a few high level items to be considered. Goal areas include: student enrollment, specifically those who live within the boundaries but attend other schools; long-term planning, safety and security and student achievement. Superintendent Hopkins asked that the board review the goals and details and send feedback to either President Gustinis or to him.

C. Committee Reports - chairpersons read the minutes from the committee meetings (copy of minutes available upon request).

1. Finance - Danielle Storey
2. Curriculum/School Improvement - Tracey Hart
 - a. Middle School Course Proposals - First reading
3. Marketing - Stan Truskoski
4. Policy - Melissa Courtade

SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT

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REPORTS

IV. Action Items

- A. Motion by Member Truskoski supported by Member Storey to approve the consent agenda. Motion approved 7-0.
 - 1. February 11, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - 2. February General Fund expenditures of \$907,035.11 through and including checks #74121-74254 and payrolls of February 1 and February 15, 2019; February School Lunch Fund expenditures of \$13,305.03 through and including checks #10318-10329; February 2019 Building and Site Series II expenditures of \$1,989,100.28 through and including checks #15054-15064; Student Activity Check Register expenditures of \$10,539.65 through and including checks #12475-12496.
- B. Motion by Member Storey supported by Member Truskoski to approve 200 openings for the KISD Schools of Choice applications and 20 openings for Section 105C School of Choice applications in Report #19-024. Motion approved 7-0.
- C. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Storey to approve the purchase of 90 ELMO document camera units using bond funds as described in Report #19-025. Motion approved 7-0.
- D. Motion by Member Storey supported by Member Truskoski to approve the purchase of lampless projectors using bond funds as described in Report #19-026. Motion approved 7-0.
- E. Motion by Member Storey supported by Member Truskoski to approve the purchase of projector mounts using bond funds as described in Report #19-027. Motion approved 7-0.
- F. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Storey to approve the Summer 2019 furniture bid package, which includes furniture for Zinser Elementary and the High School Large Group Instruction Room as indicated in Report #19-028. Motion approved 7-0.
- G. Motion by Member Storey supported by Member Truskoski to approve the second 2018-2019 Budget Amendment. Report #19-029. Motion approved 7-0.
- H. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Storey to approve the appointment of Joe Acker and Shannon Goebel as Co-Chairs for the Reproductive Health Committee. Report #19-030. Motion approved 7-0.
- I. Motion by Member Truskoski supported by Member Courtade to approve the revision to the Educator Merit Pay Model to include an appeal process for absences as noted in the attached proposal in Report #19-031. Motion approved 7-0.

V. Future Items for Consideration

- A. Public Comment - None
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- B. Go Around
 - 1. The Addams Family high school musical is the week of March 18. The School Finance Boot Camp has been rescheduled for March 26 at 7:00 at the KISD.
 - 2. Superintendent Hopkins provided an update on the sale of the Kinney Building. This property is currently listed and is being regularly shown to prospective buyers. Any purchase offer would be contingent on Board approval.

ACTION ITEMS

MEETING MINUTES
CHECK REGISTRIES

SCHOOL OF CHOICE
Report #19-024

DOC CAMERAS
Report #19-025

PROJECTORS
Report #19-026

PROJECTOR
MOUNTS

FURNITURE BID
Report #19-028

BUDGET
AMENDMENT
REPRODUCTIVE
HEALTH CO-CHAIRS
Report #19-030

MERIT PAY MODEL
Report #19-031

PUBLIC COMMENT

C. Future Meetings

1. 04/08/19 6:00 pm Curriculum & School Improvement Committee
2. 04/08/19 7:00 pm Policy & Strategic Planning Committee
3. 04/10/19 6:00 pm Finance Committee
4. 04/10/19 7:00 pm Marketing Committee
5. 04/15/19 7:00 pm Regular Meeting, Kenowa Hills Middle School

FUTURE MEETINGS

VI. Adjournment

- A. Motion by Member Courtade supported by Member Truskoski to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley Truskoski, Secretary