



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

City Council Chambers

14400 Dix Toledo, Southgate, MI 48195

**BOARD OF
EDUCATION**

PRESIDENT

PAUL C. KNOTT

DATE: April 29, 2014

VICE PRESIDENT

REBECCA REED-HALL

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

SECRETARY

DR. DARLENE L. POMPONIO

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: Hayhurst, Kremer

TREASURER

W. KIRK HAYHURST

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Grusecki, McLachlan, Pastor

ADMINISTRATION EXCUSED:

TRUSTEES

JASON CRAIG
AMANDA KREMER
SUE MURRAY

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

President Knott read the District Mission and Vision Statement.

ADMINISTRATION

REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

SUPERINTENDENT

WILLIAM J. GRUSECKI

2013/14 - 165 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall that the Board of Education amend the agenda and add Action Item #4-Approval of New Hires, Retirements, Resignations, Layoffs and Terminations as presented to the Board.

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

DIRECTOR

THERESA MCLACHLAN, C.P.A.

2013/14 -166 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall that the Board of Education approve the amended agenda.

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

CURRICULUM/FEDERAL

PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

JILL PASTOR

HUMAN RESOURCES

DIRECTOR

MARY HILDEBRANDT

ATTENTION TO STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Asher Representative Mark Kremer reported that the Asher Talent Show was a huge Success and he thanked the staff and students for making that event possible. Progress Reports are going out this week. Prom is May 31st in the Asher gym from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person.

PRESENTATIONS

None

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON DISCUSSION OR ACTION ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION

Finance

Theresa McLachlan reported that the business office is working on year end procedures and the final amended budget for 2013/2014 and the budget for 2014/2015. She discussed the GCA contract and due to financial and operational reasons, the need to extend it for two years. She introduced the GCA supervisor, Wolf Warner who addressed the board about the extension of the GCA contract. It was pointed out the original contract included the purchase of maintenance vehicles and equipment with the payment amortized over 5 years. With a three year contract, that leaves an unpaid balance on our investment of approximately \$100,000 at June 30, 2014. Mr. Warner explained that part of this extension for two years will allow the district to complete the investment and the equipment will become the district's property. This includes vehicles, custodial equipment, and grounds maintenance equipment.

Mr. Grusecki introduced Dave Kortas GCA daily supervisor. Discussion took place about utilizing better communication tools between buildings and GCA. Mr. Grusecki commented on the building closures and moves that had to take place in the district last year. GCA was challenged to not only maintain the buildings and cleaning schedule, but also take on the major task of the move. We didn't have to hire movers so there was no additional cost to the district he complimented them on their ability to do this.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Grusecki stated he would be making a Robo call to parents, letting them know how we will finish out the school year now that we have received notification from the Michigan Department of Education about the snow days.

CONSENT

2013/14 - 167 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2014 Regular Board of Education meeting.

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

ACTION

2013/14 - 168 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall to approve closing the bank account at Adiva Credit Union for Beacon Transitions Program.

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

2013/14 -169 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall to approve Staff Reductions in accordance with the Deficit Elimination Plan (DEP).

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall
NO:

2013/14 -170 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall to approve a two year extension of the *GCA Service Group Contract* through June 30, 2016.

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall
NO:

2013/14 - 171 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall that the Board of Education approve the New Hires, Retirements, Resignations, Layoffs and Terminations as presented to the Board.

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall
NO:

EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES

None

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None

INFORMATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Pomponio announced that DMS National Jr. Honor Society induction ceremony is May 13. DMS will also be hosting a Send-Off Dance, and Beacon is hosting a luncheon at the Holiday Inn for the Class of 2014.

Ms. Murray explained her absence from the last board meeting was due to her attendance at a funeral for a former Southgate graduate, condolences were offered to the Solis family for their loss. She also wanted to remind everyone that when they head to the polls for elections in November, they should keep in mind those responsible for not supporting public schools.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

2013/14 -172 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Ms. Reed-Hall, that the Board of Education Adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

YES: Craig, Knott, Murray, Pomponio, Reed-Hall
NO:

