



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

City Council Chambers

14400 Dix Toledo, Southgate, MI 48195

**BOARD OF
EDUCATION**

PRESIDENT

REBECCA REED-HALL

DATE: May 19, 2015

VICE PRESIDENT

PAUL C. KNOTT

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

SECRETARY

DR. DARLENE L. POMPONIO

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Hayhurst, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: Craig, Knott, Owen

TREASURER

W. KIRK HAYHURST

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Hainrihar, McLachlan, Pastor

ADMINISTRATION EXCUSED:

TRUSTEES

JASON CRAIG
MARK KREMER
PATRICK OWEN

The pledge of allegiance was led by Gabby Manor-5th grader from Shelters Elementary. Ms. Reed-Hall read the District Mission and Vision Statements.

REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ADMINISTRATION

2014/15-385 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Mr. Hayhurst the board approve the May 19, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

SUPERINTENDENT

LESLIE HAINRIHAR

YES: Hayhurst, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON DISCUSSION OR ACTION ITEMS

None

STUDENT GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Anderson High School Student Representative Ms. Frank reported to the board the last "walk through" for seniors will be May 22. Physical Night will be held Tuesday, June 2 from 3:00 till 5:00 p.m. in the AHS gym. Cost is \$20/person cash only. This is open to all athletes in any program. Forms must be filled out prior to the event, forms are available outside of the office.
Tryouts for J.V. and Varsity sideline cheer will begin June 10 from 6-9 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room. Tryout papers will be available in the main office beginning next week. Blue cards must be turned in on the first day of tryouts, see Ms. McNees with any questions. M-Step will begin for Juniors May 21 and continue through next week. PSAT for 9th and 10th graders will be May 27 and 28th.

Anderson High School Student Representative Mr. Swinehart gave the board an update of the athletic events for boys Varsity Baseball and Girls Varsity Softball, Boys J.V. Baseball and Girls J.V. Softball. Girls Soccer will be hosting districts at AHS. M-Step science testing for Juniors will begin on Friday, there will be an assembly regarding the M-Step during 5th hour on May 21. Mr. Swinehart thanked the AP teachers for all of the extra help prior to testing.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

DIRECTOR

THERESA MCLACHLAN, C.P.A.

CURRICULUM/FEDERAL

PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

JILL PASTOR

HUMAN RESOURCES

DIRECTOR

MARY HILDEBRANDT

Ms. Reed-Hall commented on the AP testing and results. The results will be able to be viewed online in July.

PRESENTATIONS

Jill Pastor-Curriculum Director introduced Reverend Roger Dahlen, Pastor of Bethel Baptist Church in Southgate. Ms. Pastor recognized Reverend Dahlen with a certificate of appreciation for his long standing work on the Sex Education Advisory Committee in Southgate Community Schools. We are required to have certain people on the board, one of which is a pastor in the community. Reverend Dahlen has served 12+ years on the committee, but is now retiring. Ms. Pastor asked for a round of applause for his dedication to our district.

Reverend Dahlen thanked everyone for the privilege to serve the community. He thanked Ms. Pastor for her leadership with this committee.

Mary Hildebrandt-Human Resources Director presented this year's retirees to the board. They each received certificates of appreciation and kind words from Ms. Hainrihar. The following retirees were honored:

Sonya Alex-Beacon Teacher	Edy Borgondy-Reading Recovery Teacher/Shelters
Judy Cock-Asher Adult Ed Director	Mary Edwards-Beacon Teacher
Anita Greene-Asher Social Worker	Jan Kwiatkowski-District-wide Library Para
Cathy Malicki-Elementary Teacher/Allen	Daryl Niner-Asher Teacher
Angela Posteraro-Asher/Childcare	Patsy Riddle-Paraprofessional
Nancy Robertson-Beacon/Administrative Assistant	Pat Sumara-District-wide Computer Teacher
Linda Westerman-DMS/Food Service	

Ms. Hainrihar thanked each retiree for their service to the district and commented they will be missed.

SADD Report-Keri Marsh, Community organizer for the Stop Underage Drinking and Drugs (SUDDS) coalition, based out of the Guidance Center in Southgate. This is a volunteer based organization, with chiefs of police, substance abuse counselors, pastors, youths, teachers and parents on the board.

She presented the board with data from the MiPhy covering questions about; accessibility of alcohol, the frequency of use, binge drinking etc. The survey of self-reported drinking is showing numbers are going down over the years, and continue to do so, but there is still room for improvement. Some of the initiatives that are being used to tackle under-age drinking; Wyandotte Henry Ford Hospital hosts a free presentation-Parents 360, where parents can learn about the trends involving drugs and alcohol. Prom and graduation letters are sent out to students encouraging them to refrain from drinking, and asking parents not to host parties. Project Sticker Shock is a program where teens are taken to liquor stores and stickers are placed on cases of beer and wine coolers encouraging the public not to buy for minors.

Ms. Marsh reported the results of the use of tobacco. The use of tobacco has gone down but the e-cigarette usage has gone up. Kick Butts Day was a project where social media was utilized to advocate to students about the risk of using tobacco. School districts are being encouraged to implement comprehensive tobacco free school policies. Southgate's policy is a #4 which is the best on a scale of 1 to 4.

Prescription drug survey results indicate youth feel these are easy to obtain. More prescriptions are written in this area than any other area in Wayne County. 1 in 3 students indicate the prescription drugs are the drug of choice in their community. PSA's in River Rouge and Wyandotte were

created by students to warn their peers about the dangers of prescription drugs and sharing prescription pain killers. There is a drop box-Project Medicine Cabinet- at the Southgate Police Department for prescription drugs to be dropped off and they will be incinerated. Sudd meets every third Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m. it is open to the public.

Ms. Marsh thanked Southgate Community schools for their support and hopes to continue the collaboration. It is not any one sector that should be responsible to tackle these issues, but working together with law enforcement, the medical community and schools we can achieve reform.

DISCUSSION

Finance Report- Theresa McLachlan told the board that the State held their Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference on May 15. They revised their estimated revenue figures for current year and the next two years. The changes overall were less than 3% each year. There is still a lot of uncertainty and this is separate from the 3 versions of the budget that are out there. She also provided the board with a review of the estimated student losses projected over the next few years, state wide.

Curriculum Report-Jill Pastor reported that she has met with almost every department head in grade 6 through 12. Checking with them to see where the curriculum alignment is in the process; pacing guides, common assessments and how can we get everything in a centralized location such as Google Docs so everyone can access it. She is checking on copyright dates, teachers are making due with dated materials and being resourceful using free resources where they can. As we move toward sharing data with Google Doc it will allow teachers to place their material into that and others can utilize it. She commented that she is impressed with the amount of work they are putting in to provide our students with great learning opportunities.

Superintendent's Report-Ms. Hainrihar summarized the new programs that will be offered in Southgate schools. AHS will offer a Women's History Course taught by Michelle Cieslak. This course provides an overview of women's history in America from the 17th Century to contemporary time. It will examine the relationship between gender and politics, the participation of women in the political sphere and the cultural and social trends affected by women. A survey of the high school students indicated a strong interest in this course.

The DMS English Language Arts Department will offer a Project Based English class that focuses on literature for film and stage productions. This course will be taught by Beth Hinzman and will focus on writing, staging and performing original plays. This course was proposed on the recommendation of the DMS School Improvement Team and student input.

The district will offer a Transitional Kindergarten Program next year. This program has been designed for kindergarten, age appropriate, children who may not be ready developmentally, socially or emotionally for a regular kindergarten program. This program will focus on developing a student's foundational skills and will be taught by certified teachers with experience in early childhood, in a smaller class setting and will help insure continued school success. Eligibility will be determined through our regular screening process for all enrolled kindergarten students.

Tonight the board will be voting on a proposal to add a Mechatronics Program to the CTE courses offered by AHS as a part of the Downriver Career Technical Consortium. This is a two year program that combines instruction in hydraulics and pneumatics, computer controlled systems and automation or robotic systems. Students enrolling in this program will have the opportunity to earn 29 under graduate credits through Henry Ford College. This program will be housed at the DCTC facility in Flat Rock and the instructor will be John Nasarzewski.

These new programs reflect some of the many reasons why Southgate Community Schools are the best choice for students and parents.

Ms. Reed-Hall stated that when they polled the kids for Women's History, just as many males were interested as females in that new course.

CONSENT

2014/15-386 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Hayhurst the board approve the May 12, 2015 regular board meeting minutes.

YES: Kremer, Hayhurst, Pomponio

NO:

ABSTAIN: Reed-Hall

**Motion does not pass.*

2014/15-387 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Hayhurst the board approve the HR updates as presented.

YES: Kremer, Hayhurst, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

ACTION

2014/15-388 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Hayhurst the board approve the Wayne RESA 2015-2016 General Operating Budget.

YES: Kremer, Hayhurst, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

2014/15-389 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Hayhurst the board approve the Mechatronics program as an Anderson High School CTE class offered through the Downriver Career Technical Consortium.

YES: Kremer, Hayhurst, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

2014/15-390 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Hayhurst the board approve the trip request to Canada for the Anderson high School rowing team.

YES: Kremer, Hayhurst, Pomponio, Reed-Hall

NO:

EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES

None

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Waad Thabet-15348 Flanders asked questions about the courses that would be offered at AHS for the 2015/16 school year.

INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Pomponio announced the WCASB Awards Dinner will take place 6:00 p.m. at AHS. She thanked Tina Doepker for her assistance with the artwork for the dinner.

Ms. Reed-Hall announced the Texas Hold-Em fundraiser that will be held May 29 at the VFW to support the AHS Football team. Ms. Reed-Hall has started an initiative for a Safe Family Southgate Cell Phone Plan. Twenty five phones have been given away to families in the district who are unable to afford contracts. This is a partnership with Sprint. Anyone interested should contact Ms. Reed-Hall directly.

WORK SESSION

Ms. Reed-Hall announced the board will be entering a work session and not returning to the viewing audience at 7:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

2014/15-391 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Hayhurst the board adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Dr. Darlene Pomponio-Secretary
Board of Education

