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REGULAR BOARD MEETING City Council Chambers

BOARD OF EDUCATION

14400 Dix Toledo, Southgate, MI 48195

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio,

President

REBECCA REED

DATE:

October 6, 2015

VICE PRESIDENT PAUL C. KNOTT

TIME:

7:00 P.M.

SECRETARY

Dr. Darlene L. Pomponio

Reed

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Treasurer

W. KIRK HAYHURST

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Hainrihar, McLachlan

ADMINISTRATION EXCUSED: Pastor

Trustees

JASON CRAIG NEIL J. FREITAS MARK KREMER

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Ms. Reed read the District Mission and Vision Statements.

ADMINISTRATION

REVISIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

<u>Superintendent</u> LESLIE HAINRIHAR 2015/16-34 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Mr. Knott

the board revise the October 6, 2015 Regular Board Meeting Agenda to correct Consent Item #3 to read Sept 2015.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE DIRECTOR THERESA MCLACHLAN, C.P.A. YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed

NO:

CURRICULUM/FEDERAL PROGRAMS DIRECTOR JILL PASTOR

2015/16-35 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio, supported by Mr. Knott the

board approve the revised agenda for October 6, 2015.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed

NO:

HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR MARY HILDEBRANDT

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON DISCUSSION OR ACTION ITEMS

None

PRESENTATIONS

Preliminary Audit Information: Business and Finance Director, Theresa McLachlan presented the board with the preliminary findings from our annual audit. Yeo & Yeo will be at the October 20 board meeting with the formal year end audit presentation.

When the MDE approved our Deficit Elimination Plan we were projecting a fund deficit at June 30, 2015 of \$1,537.646.00. As we progressed during the year if we were at that level or better, we didn't have to submit a revised DEP. We

We did not have to submit a revised DEP during the year. Our 2014/15 final amended budget showed revenue at \$41,775,335.00 and expenditures at \$39,270,360.00, with a net increase of our fund balance of \$2,504,975.00. We started out the year with a fund deficit of \$3,982,984 and at the end of June 2015 our fund balance was to be \$1,478,009.00. Our actual results were a little bit better bringing our fund balance to \$1,401.095.00, we had a change of approx. \$77,000.00. That change in our fund balance was at 65% decrease in our deficit. Every employee in the district contributed to this.

Mr. Knott asked what percentage we were supposed to be at. Ms. McLachlan stated we were expected to be about 50% and said we have done extremely well. We have made tremendous gains in the last few years. With the new early warning legislation and the change in the law we are to be at \$2,000,000.00 which is about 5% of our budget and need to be there to be in compliance with state law.

Dr. Pomponio asked when we are projected to be done with the DEP, Ms. McLachlan stated it was June 2016.

DISCUSSION

<u>Finance</u>-Ms. McLachlan gave her report in the presentation.

Curriculum-Ms. Pastor was at a conference, no report.

<u>Superintendent</u>-Ms. Hainrihar reminded parents that conferences begin this week Thursday afternoon and evening at AHS and DMS, elementary conferences will be Oct. 22. Conferences are fairly early this year as the district is committed to making early contact with parents of students who might be struggling to achieve adequate academic growth. Research shows that early targeted intervention for struggling students provides the best avenue for support and improvement. She asked every parent to attend their children's conferences this year. It is one of the most important things they can do to help their children succeed in school.

Bond update: November 3rd voters that reside in the Southgate Community School District will vote on a bond that effectively extends the current millage rate to fund updates, renovation and construction in 4 general areas; Safety and Security, District wide facility improvements, Technology, Site and Athletic field improvements. You would vote yes to approve the bond, you would vote no to oppose the bond proposal. If voters approve the bond proposal request, there will be no increase in the current school debt tax rate. The 2014 school debt rate was 6.11 mills. During the 14/15 school year the district successfully refinanced bonds originating in 2001 that will reduce the district's debt obligation in future years. The debt millage of 6.11 mills will remain the same. The savings from refinancing the old bonds will offset the annual debt obligation of the new bond issue. There will be no increase in your tax bill as a direct result of approving this bond proposal. All revenue from the bond proposal will stay in the Southgate Community School District. None of the revenue will go to Lansing or any other school district. Bond proposal funds cannot be used for employee salaries, cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs or other operating expenses, or items such as text books. The funds must only be used for the purposes specified in the ballot language and as required by state law they must be audited. Once again, if voters approve this request there will be no increase in the current school debt tax rate. She urged and reminded everyone to vote on November 3, 2015.

CONSENT

2015/16-36 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve the September 15, 2015 regular board meeting minutes.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-37 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve the HR updates as presented.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-38 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve the disbursements for September 2015.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

ACTION

2015/16-39 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve the MASB board delegates: Rebecca Reed, delegate; Neil Freitas-alternate

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-40 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve the 2015/16 Board of Education Goals.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-41 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve the overnight out-of state field trip for AP History and AP Government from Anderson High School

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-42 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board authorize the Superintendent to take any action necessary to obtain clear title on Reeck Rd. property.

WHEREAS, The district has possessed a parcel of land, within the City of Southgate, Wayne County, Michigan (the "Property") more specifically described as:

That part of the Southwest one-quarter (1/4) of Section 26, Town 3 South, Range 10 East, described as beginning at the point on the North and South one-quarter (1/4) 0 degrees 16 minutes 40 seconds East, 797.63 feet from the center $\frac{1}{4}$ center corner of section 26 and proceeding thence South 0

Degrees 16 minutes 40 seconds East along said line 139.23 feet; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 03 seconds West, 986.15 feet; thence North 0 degrees 01 minutes 48 seconds West, 139.23 feet; thence North 89 degrees 40 minutes 03 seconds East.

WHEREAS, The District has maintained an open and obvious presence on the Property since at least 1960; and

WHEREAS, records indicate that the District attempted to acquire the Property from William and Karl Marheine in 1957, but the deed for the Property was never transferred to the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it would be in the best interest of the District to take any action necessary, including the filing of a Complaint to Quiet Title in the Wayne County Circuit Court, to obtain clear title in the Property, and to obtain any interest that William and Earl Marheine (or their heirs) may have in the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize and direct Leslie Hainrihar, the District's Superintendent, or her designee, to take any action necessary for the District to acquire clear title in the Property and obtain any interest in the Property that William and Earl Marheine (or their heirs) may have, including the filing of a Complaint to Quiet Title in the Wayne County Circuit Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- The Board has determined that it is in the District's best interest to take any action necessary to obtain clear title in the Property and to obtain any interest that William and Earl Marheine (or their heirs) may have in the Property, including, but without limitation, the filing of a Complaint to Quiet Title in the Wayne County Circuit Court.
- 2. The Board authorizes and directs Leslie Hainrihar, the District's Superintendent of Schools, or her designee, to take any action necessary for the District to obtain clear title in the Property and to obtain William and Earl Marheine's (or their heirs') interest in the Property, including the filing of a Complaint to Quiet Title in the Wayne County Circuit Court.
- 3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provision of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-43 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve moving into Closed Session at 7:16 p.m. for the purpose of consideration of a request to reinstate Student 2014/15 #1 who was expelled on 11/11/2014.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-44 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board return to Open Session At 8:00 p.m.

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

2015/16-45 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board approve a conditional reinstatement for Student 2014/15 #1.

Roll call vote was taken:

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed

NO:

Ms. Reed stated the student would remain on homebound services. The superintendent will work with the family to put together a behavioral contract that will come before the board for approval.

EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES

None

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None

INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Reed wished everyone well with Parent/Teacher conferences.

ADJOURNMENT

2015/15-46 It was moved by Dr. Pomponio supported by Mr. Knott the board adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. and enter into a work session

YES: Craig, Freitas, Hayhurst, Knott, Kremer, Pomponio, Reed NO:

Dr. Darlene Pomponio-Secretary Board of Education