

ROCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

Organizational Meeting Minutes

January 2, 2019

Attendance: Commissioners Davis, Elliott, Hallmark, LeBron, Powell, Sheppard, and White; District Clerk Shanai Lee.

District Clerk Shanai Lee called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and asked Commissioner Sheppard to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Dr. Lee explained the process for swearing-in new members of the Board, considering resolutions specifying employees charged with performing certain functions and the designation of the official newspaper and certain financial arrangements and electing officers for the office of President and Vice President for 2019 calendar year.

Commissioner Judith Davis was sworn into office by Howard Eagle to serve as Commissioner of the Rochester Board of Education from January 2, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Rev. Marilyn Mathis offered a prayer.

Commissioner Beatriz LeBron was sworn into office by Marcus Harris to serve as Commissioner of the Rochester Board of Education from January 2, 2019 through December 31, 2019.

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the office of President. Commissioner Powell nominated Commissioner White for the office of President, and Commissioner LeBron nominated Commissioner Sheppard for the office of President.

Motion to close nominations and discussion made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner LeBron. Adopted 7-0.

Roll Call Vote for Commissioner White for the office of President:

Commissioner Davis Abstain

Commissioner Elliott Yes

Commissioner Hallmark Yes

Commissioner LeBron No

Commissioner Powell Yes

Commissioner Sheppard No

Commissioner White Yes

Commissioner White elected to the office of President with a vote of 4-2-1 with Commissioner LeBron and Commissioner Sheppard dissenting, and Commissioner Davis abstaining as a matter of conscious.

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the office of Vice President. Commissioner Hallmark nominated Commissioner Elliott for the office of Vice President. The nomination was seconded by President White.

Motion to close nominations and discussion made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner LeBron. **Adopted 7-0.**

Roll Call Vote for Commissioner Elliott for the office of Vice President:

Commissioner Davis Abstain

Commissioner Elliott Yes

Commissioner Hallmark Yes

Commissioner LeBron No

Commissioner Powell Yes

Commissioner Sheppard No

Commissioner White Yes

Commissioner Elliott was elected to the office of Vice President with a vote of 4-2-1 with Commissioner LeBron and Commissioner Sheppard dissenting, and Commissioner Davis abstaining as a matter of conscious.

The President and Vice President were sworn into office. President White assumed charge of the meeting.

President White asked for a **motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2018-19: 560-575.**

Motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2018-19: 560-564 and Resolution Nos. 567-575 made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 7-0.

Motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2018-19: 565 made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Elliott dissenting.

Motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2018-19: 566 made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner LeBron and Commissioner Sheppard dissenting.

Commissioner LeBron and Commissioner Sheppard left at 6:55 p.m.

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss matters related to the discipline of a particular student was made by Vice President Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Powell at 6:55 p.m. Motion carries 5-0 with Commissioner LeBron and Sheppard absent.

Commissioner Sheppard arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Motion to reconvene into open session made by Vice President Elliott and seconded by Commissioner Hallmark at 8:00 p.m. Motion carries 6-0 with Commissioner LeBron absent.

Motion to adopt Resolution Nos. 2018-19: 576 made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Vice President Elliott. Adopted 5-1 with Commissioner Sheppard dissenting and Commissioner LeBron absent.

Motion to adjourn by Vice President Elliott. Seconded by Commissioner Campos. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner LeBron absent at 8:18 p.m.