

ROCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

Business Meeting

April 28, 2011

Attendance: President Evans, Vice President Cruz and Commissioners Campos, Elliott, Powell, White and Williams; Student Representative Sophie Gallivan; Deputy Superintendent of Administration John Scanlan; Board Clerk Shanai Lee.

President Evans convened the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

- I. Student Representative Sophie Gallivan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
- II. **Motion to accept the minutes** of the March 24th Business Meeting, March 29th Special Meeting, April 5th Public Hearing, April 12th Public Hearing, April 19th Charter School Hearing, April 14th Special Meeting and April 18th Special Meeting made by Commissioner Elliott. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner Campos absent.

Commissioner Campos arrived at 6:50 p.m.
- III. **Student Recognition:** The John Walton Spencer School No. 16 Choir presented selections.
- IV. **Speakers Addressing an Agenda Item:** Students Shabree Hightower, Faith Bailey, Frankie Bailey, Xavier Peterson, Nicole Martinez, Miles Harrison, Griffin Harrison, Alialnda Martinez, Amelia Carter and Megan Gilfoy spoke in opposition to proposed budget reductions. Parents Venita Brown, Howard Eagle, David Harrison, Eileen Wrona, Mary Adams, Michelle Daniels, Ricardo Adams and Diane Watkins spoke in opposition to proposed budget reductions. Community member Adam McFadden addressed the Board regarding safety and security practices used in transporting students downtown. Community members Barbara Compitello, Dominic Picard, Tim Adams, Gina Ignatowski, Paula Hansen, Jabez Turner, Deborah Jones, Elaine Francesco and Wallace Smith spoke in opposition to proposed budget reductions. Staff members Dan DiClemente, Victoria Dimatteo, Laura Kuhn, Kathleen Tkac, Nancy Stacy, Deborah Rider, Marie Constanza, Stephanie Bliss, Carlina Dunigan, Lori Thomas, Eric Robinson, Ken Davis, LaToya Manon, Keisha Manninng, Mark Friedman, Richard Vega, Jennifer Kehoe, Andrea Berardi, Brett Crandall and Kyle Crandall spoke in opposition to proposed budget reductions.
- V. **Speakers Not Addressing an Agenda Item:** Parents Betsy Frarey and Henry Kirui spoke in opposition to the proposed budget reductions and asked that the Board retain home school assistants. Community members Michael Goings-Benjamin and Raquintis Tisdale. Community member Dan Drmacich spoke about the need for community involvement in the superintendent search process. Staff members Margery Poon, Donna Richardson and Sam Simpson spoke in opposition to proposed budget reductions.
- VI. **Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Brizard thanked the Board and the Rochester community for their support during his tenure.
- VII. **President's Report:** President Evans began by announcing that the meeting is broadcast on RCTV-15 until 8:30 p.m., after 8:30 p.m., viewers can continue watching on our website, www.rcsdk12.org.

President Evans then reminded members of Board of the upcoming meetings including the Special Meeting scheduled for Friday, May 6th to adopt the proposed 2011-2012 budget.

VIII. Board Reports:

Audit Committee

Chair Allen Williams: The Audit Committee did not meet during the month of April. The next meeting has tentatively been scheduled for Wednesday, May 11th at 6:00 p.m.

Finance Committee

Chair Willa Powell: A number of Finance Committee Meetings of the Whole were conducted in April to review and deliberate on the proposed 2010-11 budget for the District. The regular monthly Finance Committee met on Thursday, April 15th to review and approve the March Financial Report and to consider resolutions 784 through 802 and 825. The Committee seeks a motion to accept the March 2011 Financial Report. A motion to accept the March 2011 Financial Report was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner White, the report was accepted 7-0. The Committee recommends the following reviewed resolutions to the Board for approval: Resolutions 788 through 799 to address educational facilities; Resolutions 784 through 787 to address procurement and supply; Resolution 801 for information management and technology; Resolution 800 for transportation; and Resolutions 802 and 825 for Other. The next Finance Committee meeting will be held on May 20th at 5:30 p.m. The Quarterly Change Order Report an Quarterly Report of Contracts Under \$25,000 were received by the Board.

Excellence in Student Achievement Committee

Chair Van Henri White: The Excellence in Student Achievement Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 26th was cancelled. The next Excellence in Student Achievement Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17th at 5:30 p.m. The committee will receive a presentation on Careers in Technical Education at that time.

Community and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Chair Cynthia Elliott: The Community and Intergovernmental Relations Committee was scheduled to meet on April 13th, but the meeting was cancelled due to the lack of a quorum. The next Community and Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 18th at 6:00 p.m. The committee will discuss the Health Forum that was held in March to determine the next steps regarding health education.

Policy Committee

Chair Jose Cruz: The Policy Committee met on Tuesday, April 20th to discuss the current status of review of required policies; process for prioritizing review of non-mandated policies; selection method for a parent representative to the Policy Committee; Board Goals for the Policy Committee for 2010-11; report on status of amending Student Attendance policy; Code of Ethics regulation, which could be used as a basis for developing Board policy; and the regulation regarding Education of Homeless Students which outlines the procedural requirements involved in implementing the Board policy. The next Policy Committee Meeting is scheduled for May 18th at 5:30 p.m.

Board Governance Committee

Chair Melisza Campos: The Board Governance Committee did not meet in April. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 19th at 4:00 p.m. The tentative agenda for that meeting includes Board Staff Evaluations; Board Self Evaluations; and a discussion of the 2011/12 Board Goals

Student Representative Report: NONE

Motion to extend the meeting past 8:30 p.m. made by Commissioner Elliott. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 7-0.

IX. Resolutions

2010-11: 684-685: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Cruz. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Elliott dissenting.

2010-11: 686-689: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Cruz. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 690: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Cruz. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Elliott and Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 691: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Cruz. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 692: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Cruz. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Elliott and Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 693-695: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Cruz. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 696: Resolution pulled.

2010-11: 697-702: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Cruz. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Elliott dissenting.

2010-11: 703: Motion to amend Resolution No. 2010-11: 703 to remove the proposed spending limit made by Commissioner Elliott. Seconded by Commissioner Williams. Rejected 2-5 with President Evans, Vice President Cruz, Commissioner Campos, Commissioner Powell and Commissioner White dissenting. **Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2010-11: 703** as presented was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Elliott and Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 704: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 705-707: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 708-713: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 714: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 715: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 716-723: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 724-738: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 739: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Elliott and Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 740: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 741-745: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Vice President Cruz. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 746: Motion to table Resolution No. 2010-11: 746 made by Commissioner White. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Resolution No. 2010-11: 746 tabled 7-0.

2010-11: 747: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 748: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 5-1 with Commissioner Williams abstaining due to familial relationship and Commissioner Powell dissenting.

2010-11: 749: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 750: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 751-752: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 753: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 754: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 755: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Elliott and Commissioner Williams dissenting.

2010-11: 756-757: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Elliott dissenting.

2010-11: 758-775: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 7-0.

2010-11: 776: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner White. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Elliott dissenting.

X. Unfinished Business: None.

XI. New Business: Vice President Cruz introduced several policies as Information Items, including a Student Records & Privacy Policy, Security Breach & Notification Policy, Acceptable Use of the District Network Policy and a revision to the existing Internet Policy. Vice President Cruz noted that all of the above-mentioned policies have been vetted by the Policy Committee and are being forward to the full Board for comment. Vice President Cruz then presented a revision to the existing Student District Records Policy to the full Board as a Discussion Item; no comments were made by the Board.

XII. President Evans announced that the next Business Meeting of the Board will be held on Thursday, May 26th at 6:30 p.m.

XIII. President Evans requested a **motion to enter into executive session** to discuss personnel matters related to a specific individual. Motion to enter into Executive Session made by Commissioner Elliott. Seconded by Commissioner White, adopted 7-0 at 12:13 a.m.

Motion to enter into open session made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Vice President Cruz, adopted 7-0 at 1:12 a.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Vice President Cruz. Adopted 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 1:13 a.m.