

ROCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

Business Meeting
October 17, 2019

Board Members in Attendance: Vice President Cynthia Elliott, Commissioner Judith Davis, Commissioner Elizabeth Hallmark, Commissioner Beatriz LeBron, Commissioner Willa Powell, Natalie Sheppard and Student Leadership Representative Tatiyana Spencer

Board Members Participating via Teleconference: President Van Henri White (via Zoom)

Administration and Board Officers in Attendance: Superintendent Terry Dade, Chief of Staff Annmarie Lehner and other Cabinet members, Chief Counsel Karl Kristoff and District Clerk Marisol O. Ramos-Lopez.

Vice President Elliott called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m.

I. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Student Leadership Representative Tatiyana Spencer.

Commissioner LeBron left at 6:52 p.m.

II. Acceptance of Minutes: Minutes from Special Meeting: August 20, 2019; Minutes from Business Meeting: August 22, 2019; Minutes from Special Meeting: August 27, 2019; Minutes from Special Meeting: September 3, 2019; Minutes from Special Meeting: September 10, 2019; Minutes from Business Meeting: September 12, 2019; Minutes from Charter School Hearing: September 12, 2019

Moved by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Minutes accepted 6-0 with Commissioner LeBron absent.

President White left at 6:58 p.m.

III. Speakers: Community Member Lane Wall addressed the board on the importance of youth programs.

Commissioner LeBron arrived at 7:00 p.m.

IV. Advisory Council Reports:

Student Leadership Congress – Tatiyana Spencer, Junior at World of Inquiry High School reported that the Student Leadership Congress will meet on October 23rd; The Black Scholars Program will present The 2019 College Readiness and Parent Workshop program on Saturday October 19th at Monroe Community College.

Parent Advisory Council – No Report

Bilingual Education Council – Myrna Gonzalez, President of the Council requested that the

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Board consider compensating parent leaders who are involved in the various advisory groups with gas cards and funds for child care. She thanked Chief Mike Schmidt for his help with a transportation issue. The Latino Parent Conference will be held on October 26, 2019.

V. Board Reports:

President's Report: None

Audit Committee Meeting: Commissioner LeBron submitted reported that the committee convened on October 8, 2019 to obtain an update on the recent \$30.1 million budget shortfall. The Superintendent shared preliminary findings associated with the shortfall. A number of areas were identified as possible areas for cost avoidance and reductions. On November 12, 2019, the Superintendent will be presenting a detailed plan on how the savings will be achieved. The Office of the State Comptroller will commence their field work for the State Audit on October 21, 2019. A draft CAFR will be available for Board Review in November.

Finance and Resource Allocation Committee: Commissioner Powell reported that the Committee of the Whole reviewed the *June 2019 Unaudited Financial Report* as an informational item. She also discussed the *2019-20 Quarterly Change Order Report* and moved that the report be accepted. Seconded by Commissioner Hallmark. Minutes accepted 5-2 with Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Sheppard dissenting.

President White arrived at 7:16 p.m.

VI. Superintendent's Reports: Superintendent Dade delivered a presentation where he provided updates for the month of October including: Met with Audit Committee, October 8; Met with City Council Finance Committee, October 10; Working with Finance Team to solidify budget deficit and formulate plans to take appropriate steps necessary to address financial issues; provided the new e-mail address to solicit feedback from parents, families, and the community onevoice@rcsdk12.org; Congratulated the planning committee all who participated in Hispanic Heritage Month; discussed the FAFSA Fest and the dates the program will happen; Thanked the Rochester Education Foundation for recognizing the award winners from the District; the Ribbon Cutting at School No. 22; Thanked Custodial Workers on National Custodial Workers Recognition Day, School Bus Drivers on School Bus Drivers Recognition Week, and the Board of Education on School Board Recognition Week.

VII. Consideration of Resolutions

Resolution No. 2019-20: 355: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Hallmark. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Davis, and Commissioner LeBron dissenting.

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Resolution No. 2019-20: 359: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 360: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 362: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Sheppard dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 368: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 7-0.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 369: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 7-0.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 370: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 372: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 7-0.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 374: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 7-0.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 381: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 382: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting

Resolution No. 2019-20: 383: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting

Motion to table Resolutions 2019-20: 384 (A) and 384 (B) until October 22, 2019 made by Commissioner LeBron, seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0

Resolution No. 2019-20: 277: Motion to adopt was made by Vice President Elliott. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis, and Commissioner LeBron dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (C): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (D): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron.

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Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (E): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (F): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (G): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (H): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (I): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (J): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (K): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (L): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (M): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (N): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 384 (O): Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 385: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 5-2 with Vice President

Elliott and Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 386: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner LeBron. Adopted 5-2 with Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Sheppard dissenting.

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Resolution No. 2019-20: 393: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner LeBron. Adopted 7-0.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 394: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner LeBron. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 395: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner LeBron. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 392: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner LeBron. Adopted 7-0.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 397: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 398: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron.

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Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 399: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

Motion to table Resolution 2019-20: 400 until October 22, 2019 made by Commissioner Davis, seconded by Commissioner LeBron. Adopted 7-0

Resolution No. 2019-20: 401: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 402: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Davis dissenting.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 403: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 406: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Powell. Adopted 7-0.

VIII. Unfinished Business from Previous Meeting: None

IX. New Business: None

- X. Motion to enter into Executive Session** to discuss a matter related to a legal advice regarding pending litigation with Counsel was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Commissioner Davis at 8:06 p.m. Motion carries 7-0.

Motion to reopen Board Business Meeting by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Commissioner Davis at 8:27 p.m. Motion carries 6-0 with President White absent.

Motion for Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Sheppard to be authorized to review the letter discussed in Executive Session made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Commissioner Hallmark. Adopted 6-0 with President White absent.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 407: Motion to adopt was made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Member of the Board Commissioner Davis. Adopted 6-0 with President White absent.

- XI. Motion to adjourn** made by Commissioner LeBron at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Davis. Motion carries 6-0 with President White absent.