

ROCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION

Business Meeting

April 23, 2020

MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCING

Board Members in Attendance: President Van Henri White, Vice President Cynthia Elliott, Commissioner Ricardo Adams, Commissioner Beatriz LeBron via Zoom Videoconferencing. Commissioner Amy Maloy, Commissioner Willa Powell, Commissioner Natalie Sheppard, and Student Representative Tatiyana Spencer

Board Members Excused: None.

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

President White called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

I. Act of Reverence and The Pledge of Allegiance

II. Acceptance of Minutes: Business Meeting: March 26, 2020; and CIGR Committee Meetings: November 19, 2019 and February 11, 2020.

Moved by Commissioner Maloy. Seconded by Commissioner Adams. Adopted 7-0.

III. Speakers: *Due to the closure of meetings to the Public as a result of COVID-19, all Speaker comments will be read aloud into the Public Record. This list reflects the names of anyone who submitted comments.*

IV. Advisory Council Reports:

- **Student Leadership Congress** Student Representative Tatiyana Spencer reported on the most recent meeting of the Student Leadership Congress April Zoom Meeting and the work the students continue to do during the pandemic.

V. Board Reports:

President's Report: President White updated the Board on the East EPO Budget and the process created to reach a resolution on what the EPOs contribution to the RCSD Budget gap would be. A conversation between EPO Staff and District Staff was facilitated by BJ Smith, former Buffalo CSD CFO and Katherine Barrett, Freed Maxick. He also updated the board on the Federal CARES Act and the funding available to the District.

Community and Intergovernmental Relations Committee: Commissioner Adams reported that the application process is now open for parents interested in becoming representatives

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on Board Committees. Parents may view and access the application by logging on to the Board Page of the District's website; The Committee began discussions on workshop topics for the next Community Forum, which is slated to be held in November for families in the District.

Finance and Resource Allocation Committee – Commissioner LeBron asked for a motion to accept the March 2020 Financial Report and the Quarterly Change report. Moved by Commissioner Maloy. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Adopted 6-1 with Commissioner Sheppard dissenting.

Commissioner LeBron reviewed the Budget timeline and calendar for the remainder of budget season.

- VI. Superintendent's Report: 2020-21 RCSD Budget Presentation** Superintendent Dade asked Chief of Operations Mike Schmidt to provide a report on a breakage in the steam line at School #25 an 40% of the classrooms sustained significant damage. Cost estimates range from \$350-500 thousand for repairs. The plan is to move the school to School #2 for the remainder of the school year, if school were to reopen in May.

Deputy Superintendent Quick presented on Continuity of Learning and the Executive Order Required Development of COVID-19 Closure Plan Addressing: Provision of meals, Child care, with an emphasis on serving children of parents in the health care profession or first responders who are critical to the response effort, and alternative instructional options (electronic and non-electronic).

The Compact for Continuity of Instruction: Provides for adaption and deliver learning resources in alternative formats; Includes supports for all students, including Special Education and ELL. The goal is to provide a minimum of 2 hours per day of alternative learning time for each student

Methods for Delivery of Instruction: They are adapting and delivering learning resources in alternative formats, including: digital lessons, online resources, hard copy packets, and videos.

She also discussed: Supports Offered for All Students; Non-Classroom Teachers' Support of Instruction; Mental Health Professionals – Counselors/Social Workers; Teaching Assistants Paraprofessionals Other Support Staff and Collaboration and Coordination of Services. And provided an overview of Grading during school closure: 4th quarter and end of year.

Board Members asked questions regarding the Superintendent's Presentation.

Commissioner Sheppard left the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

VII. Consideration of Resolutions

Resolution No. 2019-20: 822: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner Maloy. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner Sheppard absent.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 824: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner Maloy. Seconded by Vice President Elliott. Adopted 5-1 with Commissioner LeBron dissenting and Commissioner Sheppard absent.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 825: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner Maloy. Seconded by Vice President Elliott. Adopted 5-1 with Commissioner LeBron dissenting and Commissioner Sheppard absent.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 836: Motion to adopt made by Vice President Elliott. Seconded by Commissioner Maloy. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner Sheppard absent.

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Resolution No. 2019-20: 838: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Commissioner Maloy. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner Sheppard absent.

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Resolution No. 2019-20: 841: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Commissioner Maloy. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner Sheppard absent.

Resolution No. 2019-20: 848: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Commissioner Maloy. Adopted 4-2 with Vice President Elliott and Commissioner LeBron dissenting and Commissioner Sheppard absent.

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Resolution No. 2019-20: 850: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner Maloy. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner Sheppard absent.

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Resolution No. 2019-20: 875: Motion to adopt made by Commissioner Powell. Seconded by Commissioner Maloy. Adopted 5-1 with Commissioner Lebron dissenting and Commissioner Sheppard absent.

VIII. Unfinished Business from Previous Meeting – President White discussed the East EPO Budget reduction and asked that the board accept that the University of Rochester reduce their spending by 20%. Deputy Superintendent Quick indicated that while the conversation is ongoing, there has been no final determination of the reduction from the East EPO. Superintendent Nelms indicated that the conversation will continue to reach an agreement.

Commissioner Sheppard rejoined the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

IX. New Business – None

X. Motion to enter into Executive Session at 8:59 p.m. to discuss the appointment of a specific individual and have a confidential conversation with Counsel seeking legal advice made by Commissioner Maloy. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries 7-0.

Motion to exit Executive Session at 9:22 p.m. made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries 7-0.

Commissioner Sheppard left the meeting at 9:22 p.m.

XI. Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. made by Commissioner LeBron. Seconded by Vice President Elliott. Adopted 6-0 with Commissioner Sheppard absent.