

Hartford Public Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Thursday, July 16, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.
Central Administration Office – Board Room
Hartford, MI 49057

The Board of Education meeting was called to order by President Chambers at 7:02 p.m.

Members present: Chambers, Johnson, Kuehnle, Meachum, Najacht, Summerhill
Member absent: Banic
Others present: Superintendent Andy Hubbard, Mike Hallgren, Brad Geesaman, Ed Dickenson
Debbie Galvan, Erik Parker, Heidi Macias, New teachers, Nancy Larsson

Motion by Meachum seconded by Summerhill to approve the minutes from the June 18, 2015 Business Meeting.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Najacht, seconded by Meachum, to amend the agenda to place XI-9,10 after XV.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kuehnle, to approve Payroll Vouchers #11701 for June 12, 2015, totaling \$331,274.75, Payroll Voucher #11702 for June 26, 2015 totaling \$703,181.36 and Warrant Voucher #11703 for June 30, 2015 General Fund bills totaling \$113,562.47, July 2015 General Fund bills totaling \$135,990.82 and Warrant Voucher #11704 for June 30, 2015 Construction Fund bills totaling \$10,062.25.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Summerhill, seconded by Meachum, to employ Chris Boot as the new Dean of Secondary Students and to approve his contract for the 2015-16 school year.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kuehnle, seconded by Johnson, to accept the resignation from Erika Cooper.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Najacht, seconded by Meachum, to employ Kalani Reeves at Step 1BA for 5th grade, Trista Kelly at Step 3BA for 5th grade, Caitlin Butler at Step 1BA for 3rd grade and Megan Palmateer at Step 2BA for 5th grade for the 2015-2016 school year.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Summerhill, seconded by Najacht, to change the alternative education program name to Hartford Alternative Education.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Meachum to approve the Hartford Alternative Education Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2016 and beyond.

Motion carried 6-0.

Scott Morrell from MASB gave a presentation on Strategic Planning. The Board would like to move forward with this process.

Motion by Najacht, seconded by Meachum, to approve the contract with Kingscott Architects.

Roll Call Vote:

Chambers, Johnson, Kuehnle, Meachum, Najacht, Summerhill

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Meachum, seconded by Najacht, to approve the contract with Miller-Davis Construction Firm.

Roll Call Vote:

Chambers, Johnson, Kuehnle, Meachum, Najacht, Summerhill

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Najacht, to retain membership in the following organizations for the 2015-16 school year: Michigan Association of School Boards, MASB Rural District, School Equity Caucus, and the Van Buren County Association of School Boards.

Roll Call Vote:

Chambers, Johnson, Kuehnle, Meachum, Najacht, Summerhill

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Kuehnle, to approve the purchase of Houghton Mifflin Go Math textbooks for the Middle School.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Summerhill, seconded by Johnson, to enter into a partnership with Jobs for Michigan Graduates.

Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Najacht, seconded by Summerhill, to approve a High School Pep Club.

Motion carried 6-0.

Administrative Reports:

Ed Dickenson gave an update on the Summer Migrant/Title 1 program. There are now 189 students enrolled in the program. They are holding class in 12 classrooms with an 88% attendance rate.

President Chambers thanked Mr. Dickenson for his visibility and volunteering during the Hartford All-Star Tournaments.

Superintendent Hubbard updated the Board on the roof work being done on the HS/MS buildings. He updated the Board on the pine tree and fencing removal.

Motion by Summerhill, seconded by Najacht, to go into closed session for a reinstatement Hearing.

Roll Call Vote:

Chambers, Johnson, Kuehnle, Meachum, Najacht, Summerhill

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:12pm.

President Chambers called the meeting to order in open session at 8:16pm.

Motion by Meachum, seconded by Najacht, to accept the expulsion committee's recommendation and reinstate "Student A".

Motion by Najacht, seconded by Summerhill, to go into closed session to discuss a new Superintendent evaluation system.

Roll Call Vote:

Chambers, Johnson, Kuehnle, Meachum, Najacht, Summerhill

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:25pm.

President Chambers called the meeting to order in open session at 9:40pm.

Motion by Meachum, seconded by Summerhill, to adjourn the regular board meeting.

Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Meachum
Secretary