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EAST GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Kent County, Michigan

SPECIAL MEETING of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education

Community Board Room at the James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff
2915 Hall Street SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Wednesday, May 14, 2014

MINUTES

A **SPECIAL MEETING** of the East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education, Kent County, Michigan, was held on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, in the Community Board Room at the James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff, 2915 Hall Street SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Present: Michelle Rabideau, Beth Milanowski, Susan Levine, Elizabeth Welch Lykins, Robert Wolford, Natalie Bernecker

Absent: Steve Edison

Administration: Dr. Sara Shubel, Jenny Fee, Craig Weigel

Other: None

Meeting Called to Order

President Rabideau called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Acknowledgment of Guests – None

Public Comments – None

Board Secretary's Report: Communications to and from the Board – Beth Milanowski

The Board received communication from the following persons on special education:

Robert & Patty Boylen

Randy & Marie Russo

Ewa & Tomasz Timek

Julie M. Daly

Jennifer Gehl & Matthew Schroeder

Suzanne & Tad Wilcox

Dr. Christopher & Mrs. Nancy Massin

Closed Session per Parent Request (Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCLA 15.268, Sec. 8 [b])

Member Wolford moved to go into Closed Session for the purpose of a discipline hearing at the request of the parent. Member Milanowski supported the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion passed 6-0.

President Rabideau described the process that would be used for the discipline hearing concerning Student A. She announced that the hearing will be recorded per the Recording Notice received on May 14, 2014, from Student A's parents.

Board heard administration's case, heard from parents, Student A, and their guest, and asked questions. Following this discussion, the Board excused Student A, Student A's parents, and their guest in order to hold board deliberations on the case concerning Student A. At 6:25 p.m., Member Milanowski moved to return to regular session. Member Welch Lykins seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

Open Session

Member Wolford moved to approve the suspension of Student A from East Grand Rapids Public Schools for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year with homebound services to be provided through August 31, 2014. If Student A is in violation of any further incidents covered under Policy #8360 during the remainder of his school years, Student A will be permanently expelled from East Grand Rapids Public Schools. Mrs. Rabideau seconded the motion for suspension as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

Any other matters that come before the Board - None

Adjournment

President Rabideau adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Milanowski, Secretary

East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education

* Minutes for this meeting will be available in the Superintendent's Office at 2915 Hall St. SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506. The phone number is 235-3535.

** If you plan to attend and have a special need and require accommodation to attend this meeting, please contact Dr. Sara M. Shubel, Superintendent, at 235-3535.
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