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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

Friday, November 13, 2015

MINUTES

A **SPECIAL MEETING** of the East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education, Kent County, Michigan, was held on Friday, November 13, 2015, 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, Elizabeth Welch, Robert Wolford, Natalie Bernecker, Mark Hessler

Absent: Brian Coles, Beth Milanowski

Administration: Dr. Sara Shubel, Jenny Fee, Steve Wojciechowski

Other: Christine Mapes – High School Teacher

Meeting Called to Order

President Rabideau called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

Acknowledgment of Guests – None

Public Comments –None

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

Member Hessler moved to go into Closed Session for the purpose of a discipline hearing at the request of the parents. Member Wolford supported the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion passed 5-0.

President Rabideau described the process that would be used for the discipline hearing concerning Student A.

Board heard administration's case, heard from parents, Student A, and asked questions. Following this discussion, the Board excused Student A and Student A's parents in order to hold board deliberations on the case concerning Student A. At 4:56 p.m., Member Welch moved to return to regular session. Member Hessler seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Open Session

Administrators, Student A, and Student A's parents returned to the Open Session.

Member Wolford moved to reverse the administration's recommendation to suspend Student A. Member Welch seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Any other matters that come before the Board – None

Adjournment

President Rabideau adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Natalie Bernecker, Secretary Pro-Tem
East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education

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