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## **EAST GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Kent County, Michigan

### **REGULAR MEETING of the East Grand Rapids Board of Education**

The James E. Morse Administration Center at Woodcliff  
2915 Hall Street SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506

**Monday, August 29, 2016**

### **MINUTES**

The **REGULAR MEETING** of the East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education, Kent County, Michigan, was held on Monday, August 29, 2016, in Community Board Room at the James E. Morse Administration Center, 2915 Hall Street SE, East Grand Rapids, MI 49506.

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Present: Robert Wolford, Elizabeth Welch, Beth Milanowski, Natalie Bernecker, Michelle Rabideau, Mark Hessler, Brian Coles

Absent: None

Administration: Dr. Sara Magaña Shubel, Jeanne Glowicki, Kevin Philipps, Jenny Fee

#### Meeting Called to Order

President Wolford called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

Acknowledgment of Guests – None

Board Secretary's Report: Communications to and from the Board – None

#### **PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION**

First Reading of Revised Policies – President Wolford, Dr. Shubel, and Jenny Fee shared the policies that were reviewed by the Policy Review Committee as presented in Enclosure #5. A discussion was held among the board, and these policies will be presented for approval at the August 31, 2016, board meeting.

#### **ACTION ITEMS - CONSENT AGENDA**

Background: In order to save time during the meeting, we are using a Consent Agenda. Items in the Consent Agenda include those that are routine or have been previously discussed by the Board of Education. Any Board Member may request to have any item removed for a separate discussion and vote.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the items in the Consent Agenda, Numbers 6-7.

Approval of Minutes of REGULAR Meeting of 06/09/2016 (Enclosure #6)

Approval of Payment of Bills – June and July 2016 (Enclosure #7)

Member Bernecker moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 6-7. Member Rabideau seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

#### **OTHER ACTION ITEMS**

Approval of New Teacher Contracts (Enclosure #8)

Per Board Policy #5430, the board is responsible for the formal approval of all teacher and administrative contracts. Dr. Shubel announced the new teachers hired over the summer as presented in Enclosure #8.

Member Hessler moved to approve the Teacher Contracts as presented in Enclosure #8. Member Milanowski seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Administrative and Non-Union Salaries for 2016-2017 (Enclosure #9)

Background: The Personnel Committee is recommending contract and salary provisions for Administrative and Non-Union personnel per Enclosure #9.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the contract and salary provisions for Administrative and Non-Union personnel as recommended by the Personnel Committee in Enclosure #9.

Philipps provided an overview of the salary provisions as outlined in Enclosure #9.

Member Rabideau moved to approve the contract and salary provisions for Administrative and Non-Union personnel as recommended by the Personnel Committee as presented in Enclosure #9. Member Coles seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of Contract and Salary Provisions for the Superintendent for 2016-2017 (Enclosure #10)

Background: The Personnel Committee is recommending contract and salary provisions for the Superintendent as recommended by the Personnel Committee in Enclosure #10.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the contract and salary provisions for the Superintendent as recommended by the Personnel Committee in Enclosure #10.

President Wolford provided an overview of the Personnel Committee's recommendations for the contract and salary provisions as outlined in Enclosure #10.

Member Milanowski moved to approve the contract and salary provisions for the Superintendent as recommended by the Personnel Committee as presented in Enclosure #10. Member Welch seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Approval of School Bond Loan Resolution (Enclosure #11)

Background: The district borrows annually from the School Bond Loan Program to assist in making our debt retirement payments. The application for the 2016-2017 borrowing needs to be approved by the full board.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the attached resolution authorizing the district to borrow funds from the Michigan School Bond Loan Program as presented.

Philipps provided an overview of the School Bond Loan Program.

Member Hessler moved to approve the resolution as presented in Enclosure #11. Member Wolford seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Superintendent

Dr. Shubel invited all board members to attend the Opening Day for all staff on Tuesday, August 30.

Assistant Supt. of Business

Kevin Philipps shared current enrollment numbers with the assumption of changes occurring by the start of school and Pupil Count Day. Philipps also shared that the district's annual audit will be held in September.

Assistant Supt. of Instruction

Jeanne Glowicki shared that staff professional development will be held this week with many teachers presenting to their colleagues.

Board Member Reports

*Communications Committee* – No reports.

*Facilities Committee* – No reports.

*Finance Committee* – No reports.

*Joint Facilities Committee* – No reports.

*Legislative Liaison Committee* – Member Welch reported that the Legislative Committee is encouraging more involvement.

*Personnel Committee* – No reports.

*Policy Review Committee* – No additional reports.

Liaisons

*EGR Schools Foundation* – Dr. Shubel reported that the Foundation welcomed four new board members. The Foundation is excited to continue to support the district.

*Community Action Council* – No reports.

*PTO Council* – No reports.

*Parks & Recreation* – Member Hessler reported that City is projecting a completion date of the Road Construction Project by the start of the school year.

*Superintendent's Advisory Council (SAC)* – No reports.

*Leadership & Youth Development (LYD)* – Member Milanowski reported that Freshman Connection and Senior Retreat were held with great success. Healthy High has been moved to January.

*Parent Advocates for Special Education (PASE)* – No reports.

Member Bernecker reported that the 2016-2017 Hearts of Gold event will benefit Arbor Circle. T-shirts will again be sold for this fundraising effort.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Wolford adjourned the meeting at 8:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Beth Milanowski, Secretary  
East Grand Rapids Public Schools Board of Education

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