REGULAR MEETING (Monday, August 1, 2022)

Members present

Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Meredith Schindler, Jeanice Townsend

Members absent

Maria Goodrich, Gillian Gainsley, Yvonne Fields

Meeting called to order at 6:40 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Celeste Hawkins, Board President

Action: A. Roll Call of Board of Education Members

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dr. Celeste Hawkins, Board President

3. ACHIEVEMENTS, AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Presentation: A. Michigan School Business Officials Human Resource Specialist Certification - Sue McCarty Dr. Zachery-Ross honored Sue McCarty - 90 hours of PD - MSBOA - Above and beyond Dr. Hawkins congratulation

Sue McCarty has met the requirements for renewing the Human Resources Specialist certification under the Michigan School Business Officials Voluntary Certification Program. This is a commitment of 90 hours of professional development established by the MSBO Board of Directors through their Professional Development Committee.

We are celebrating Ms. McCarty's accomplishment.

Congratulations, Ms. McCarty!

Click here to view the letter of accomplishment.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDED AGENDA

Action: A. Acceptance of Agenda

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept the amended agenda, as presented.

Motion by Meredith Schindler, second by Sharon Lee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Meredith Schindler, Jeanice Townsend

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1

Information: A. Guidelines for Public Comment

Public Comment Protocol | Pursuant to Board of Education Policy 0167.3

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Lisa Brown - Brought up that the YCBA is in need of transportation to Band Camp

Dr. Hawkins - Brought up that the board needs to follow protocol for the board meeting and that as with all matters that are brought before the board, it will make it to the proper person

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent), Minutes, Report: A. Consent Agenda

Seeking Board approval of the presented meeting minutes and personnel matters; see attachments below.

... MOVE THAT the Board of Education approve the:

1) July 11, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

2) Personnel matters as per the presented list dated 7/26/22; New Hires and Resignations

Motion by Sharon Lee, second by Jeanice Townsend.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Meredith Schindler, Jeanice Townsend

7. ACTION ITEMS: Business and Finance

Action: A. Approval of the EMUINVENT Proposal for Grizzly Learning Camp

EMUINVENT, situated within Eastern Michigan University (EMU), provides a Dare2Design program. Dare2Design is a summer program for students (Grade 3-12) that develops an innovative mindset. Participants will go through the process of innovation to solve a problem they face regularly. This fun, hands-on camp teaches problem-solving, collaboration, and the process of invention. EMU provided 4 sessions- 2 elementary, 1 middle school, and 1 high school.

Click here to view the proposal.

Sharon Lee: a little background information

Mark Coscarella: we have EMU professors with STEM backgrounds at Grizzly Learning Camp working with the students to solve problems or work on projects

...MOVE THAT the Board of Education accept, as presented, the EMUIVENT proposal for \$40,000.00 for Grizzly Learning Camp.

Motion by Meredith Schindler, second by Jeanice Townsend.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Meredith Schindler, Jeanice Townsend

Action: B. Adoption of Thurn Resolution of the IPA for the Purchase of Copiers and Printer Units

As part of the contract for the printers and copiers through Applied Imaging, we discovered certain unfavorable terms in the leasing contract. After consulting with our legal team we agreed an IPA is a better vehicle not only from financing at a potentially lower interest rate, but also more favorable in terms of our obligations.

Click here to view the resolution.

Sharon Lee: a little background on this item

Dr. Zachery-Ross: the board approved the contract with Applied Imaging but the vendor wanted an attorney to sign it and when our attorney looked at it, he thought a better solution for the district would be to have a purchase agreement so this is changing what was approved from an invoice and a contract to a purchase agreement. With the original contract, the attorney saw some liability issues that are resolved by this purchase agreement.

...MOVE THAT the Board of Education adopt, as presented, the resolution as written by Thrun to move forward with an IPA for the purchase of copier and printer units managed and maintained by Applied Imaging.

Motion by Meredith Schindler, second by Sharon Lee.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Dr Celeste Hawkins, Sharon Lee, Meredith Schindler, Jeanice Townsend

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2

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Amanda Smith: thanked the Board for their service, especially the 3 board members that are up for re-election. She feels it's important for the 3 candidates who are up for re-election should be able to speak on their own behalf at the Democratic Party endorsements which conflict with the next board meeting.

9. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Trustee Goodrich (emailed prior to board meeting - read by Trustee Townsend): Thank you for everyone involved in the board retreat. Thank you to all who were involved in the Jazz in the Parking Lot event. Congratulations to everyone involved in Grizzly Learning Camp. Thank you to all who have stepped up to run for YCS school board to help serve the students. Thank you to Yolanda Sealey-Ruiz for the part she has played in supporting the equity work of our district.

Dr. Zachery-Ross: Thank you all for the work and engagement at the retreat. Welcome back to the administrators. We had a two day "Teachers as Facilitators" training and our teachers were super engaged. Our staff is amazing. We have student artwork at Riverside Park and Gallup Park until September. We are lifting up our amazing scholars. August is busy. There is Kindergarten Round-up, August 20th that is the F.A.C.E. Conference and Back-to-School Bash, and a little surprise for our staff for opening day. The administrators are going to Waldenwoods Retreat Center for some collaboration, team building.

Dr. Hawkins: August 15th is a mid-term monitoring session facilitated by Mary Kerwin, MASB consultant. She is aware of the conflict with the Democratic Party endorsement event. Hopefully we can be posted on any flexibility that they have.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP

Discussion: A. Continuation of the District Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Work led by Dr. Yolanda Sealey-Ruiz Workshop began at 7:10 p.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.