

WATERFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION – MINUTES

Interim Meeting May 3, 2018

OPENING

The Interim Meeting of the Waterford School District Board of Education, held at the Waterford Township Hall Auditorium, 5200 Civic Center Drive, Waterford, Michigan, was called to order by President Himmelspach at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE

The audience joined the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Petrusha, Sutherland, Piggott, Himmelspach, Barghahn and Torres
Absent: Member Halls
Others: Keith Wunderlich, William Holbrook, Danielle Corbeil, Lisa McFee, Darin Holley, Carly Stone, Janet McLeod, Betsy Grossnickle, Michelle Sullivan, Riley Vermilya, Anthony Bartolotta, Grant Smith, Art Welch, Irene Jarois, Mary Craite, Andrea Schroder, Becky Lesh, Matt McClure, Mary Dunham, Rick McIntyre, Dave Reimus, Nicole Breadon, Mark Herne, Robin McGregor, Megan Roberts and others who did not register.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Member Barghahn and supported by Member Torres that the Board of Education add the Anti-Bullying Task Force as information for discussion on the current status.

Members of the Board made comments on adding this topic to the agenda.

President Himmelspach noted there has been a lot of discussion about what should go on the agenda and the order of the agenda and shared his opinion that the agenda should be studied as a whole, referencing agendas of other districts.

Ayes: Members Barghahn, Piggott and Torres
Nays: Members Petrusha, Himmelspach and Sutherland
Motion failed. (3-3)

Moved by Member Piggott and supported by Member Torres that the Board of Education add an information item relative to Surplus Property for discussion prior to action item 9.a.(4) Surplus Property.

Members made comments in support and disapproval of this motion.

Ayes: Members Barghahn, Piggott and Torres
Nays: Members Petrusha, Himmelspach and Sutherland
Motion failed. (3-3)

Moved by Member Barghahn and supported by Member Torres that the Board of Education include an information item to discuss the April 26, 2018 Study Session regarding budget.

Members made comments in support and disapproval of this motion.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ayes: Members Barghahn, Piggott and Torres

Nays: Members Petrusha, Himmelspach and Sutherland

Motion failed. (3-3)

Moved by Member Barghahn and supported by Member Torres that the Board of Education change the order of the May 3, 2018 agenda to allow Board of Education the opportunity to address superintendent and community comments.

Members of the Board made comments regarding this motion.

Moved by Member Barghahn and supported by Member Torres to amend the motion to move Audience Comments on Non- Action Items (11) before Discussion Items (10).

Members of the Board made comments relative to the order of the agenda.

Ayes: Members Barghahn, Piggott, Himmelspach, Sutherland and Torres

Nays: Member Petrusha

Motion carried. (5-1)

RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT

a. Destination Imagination

Dr. Wunderlich and the Board of Education recognized the members and Team Manager of the Pierce Middle School Destination Imagination Team. Five Waterford Creativity teams who competed at the Michigan Destination Imagination State Tournament. They were part of an amazing celebration of STEM creativity, with 230 teams from across the state in attendance. We had three teams from Kettering High School, one team from Houghton Elementary (managed by parent Samantha Hubarth), and one team from Pierce Middle School competing. While all had a great day, special congratulations go to the Pierce Middle School team, managed by parent Jeremy Kempken, who qualified to attend the DI Global Finals, held in May at the University of Tennessee. They will be one of approximately 1400 teams from around the world who will have an amazing experience, along with competition at the highest level.

The Pierce Destination Imagination Team presented their Global Finals banner to Principal Yvonne Dixon.

Members of the Board asked questions and offered comments and accolades to the students, Team Manager Kempkin as well as the parents and volunteers involved.

INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Kettering French Trip to Spain and France (Revised Travel Dates)

On June 15, 2017, the Board of Education approved the proposed Kettering High School Spanish class trip to Spain and France, February 20 – March 2, 2019, presented by Teacher Susan Abrams. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve postponing by one year with revised travel dates of March 31-April 9, 2020.

A recommendation to approve the revised dates will be presented on May 17, 2018. Approval would be rescinded if the area to be visited is issued a travel warning.

INFORMATION ITEMS

b. Oakland ISD Budget Resolution

Section 624 of the Revised School Code, as amended, requires the intermediate school board to submit its proposed budget no later than May 1 of each year to the board of each constituent district for review. Not later than June 1, of each year, the board of each constituent district shall review the proposed intermediate school district budget, shall adopt a board resolution expressing its support or disapproval of the proposed intermediate school district budget, and shall submit to the intermediate school board any specific objections and proposed changes the constituent district board has to the budget.

The Waterford Board of Education has received the proposed 2018-2019 Oakland Intermediate School District budget in accordance with Section 624 of the Revised School Code, as amended. Oakland Schools Board of Education held a Designates Meeting in April. This meeting provided local board designates and district administration an opportunity to review the budget further prior to taking action on a resolution. Pending possible objections and proposed changes, the attached resolution in support of the Oakland Intermediate School District will be recommended for Board approval on May 17, 2018.

Member Sutherland represented the Board of Education at the Designates Meeting. If members have specific questions please contact Treasurer Sutherland or President Himmelspach.

c. 2018 Biennial Election for the Oakland Schools Board of Education

An election for two (2) six-year terms on the Oakland Schools Board of Education will be held on Monday, June 4, 2018. Oakland Schools board members are elected by an electoral body composed of one (1) person designated by the board of each constituent school district. The Revised School Code prescribes that each constituent school district board must designate a representative to this electoral body by adopting a resolution which:

- a. Designates the person to vote in the election on behalf of the local district board;
- b. Directs the designee which candidate the board supports for each position to be filled; and
- c. Directs the designee to vote for those individuals, at least on the first ballot taken by the electoral body.

To comply with the timeline, the attached resolution is presented as information, however, a list of qualified candidates will not be provided to the Board of Education from the OC Clerks Office until May 7. This information will be forwarded to members of the Board as soon as it is received. A recommendation to approve the resolution will be presented on May 17.

d. Waterford Board of Education Ethics

President Himmelspach facilitated a discussion relative to Board of Education ethics and provided a draft code of ethics to be used as a starting point for discussion. Members made comments with concerns, clarifications and support for various items within the document. President Himmelspach asked members to continue to review this information and send their suggestions to him. He noted that it is important to have all seven members included in this work. After hearing back from members he will reprocess this information and it will be brought back at another Board of Education meeting date.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS

Anthony Bartolotta addressed the Board of Education in opposition of 9.a.(4): Surplus Property (Removal of Parcel 5).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. April 19, 2018, Regular Meeting
- b. April 19, 2018, Closed Session
- c. April 26, 2018, Study Session

Moved by Member Piggott and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the meetings above.

Ayes: Members Barghahn, Piggott, Sutherland, Petrusha, Himmelpach, and Torres

Nays: None

Motion carried. (6-0)

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Superintendent's Recommendations

- (1) Recommendation 91-17-18 Relative to Resignations/Retirements/Leave of Absence Expirations

Moved by Member Piggott and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the following resignations, retirements and leave of absence expirations.

Angelini, Sarah – Teacher
Resignation – Leave of Absence
Effective: June 15, 2018

Dachs, Rita – Teacher
Knudsen Elementary School
Retirement
Effective: August 24, 2018

Dowgiallo, Julie – Teacher
Resignation – Leave of Absence
Effective: June 15, 2018

Doyle, Kristyn – Teacher
Resignation – Leave of Absence
Effective: June 15, 2018

Mercado, Marcia - Teacher
Riverside Elementary School
Retirement
Effective: June 30, 2018

Miller, Kristin – Teacher
Riverside Elementary School
Retirement
Effective: June 30, 2018

Pierce, Kristin - Teacher
Resignation – Leave of Absence
Effective: June 15, 2018

NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent's Recommendations

- (1) Recommendation 91-17-18 Relative to Resignations/Retirements/Leave of Absence Expirations
(*continued*)

Rosinski, Tracey – Speech Pathologist
Resignation – Leave of Absence
Effective: June 15, 2018

Smith, Karen – Teacher
Kingsley Montgomery School
Retirement
Effective: June 30, 2018

Ventimiglia, Kate - Teacher
Resignation – Leave of Absence
Effective: June 15, 2018

Member Sutherland spoke to the contributions these individuals have made to our community.

Ayes: Members Piggott, Barghahn, Sutherland, Petrusha, Himmelspach, and Torres
Nays: None
Motion carried. (6-0)

- (2) Recommendation 92-17-18 Relative to Employee Resignation Agreement

Moved by Member Piggott and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the resignation agreement between the Waterford School District and Wendy Cook, dated April 17, 2018, as presented.

A copy of the Resignation Agreement is attached to the official minutes.

Ayes: Members Piggott, Barghahn, Sutherland, Petrusha, Himmelspach, and Torres
Nays: None
Motion carried. (6-0)

- (3) Recommendation 93-17-18 Relative to Resolution: Teacher Appreciation Week

Moved by Member Piggott and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the following resolution proclaiming May 7-11, 2018 as National Teacher Appreciation Week and encouraging our schools and community to appropriately recognize the vital and changing role of teachers in imagining and creating a better future for society.

WHEREAS, throughout Waterford and across the country, teachers open children's minds to new ideas, knowledge, abilities, and aspirations; and

WHEREAS, teachers promote and strengthen the principles of democratic equality, keeping American democracy and civic engagement vibrant, and developing leaders to meet new challenges; and

WHEREAS, teaching is an increasingly complex profession, and teachers fill many roles as motivators, researchers, mentors, scholars, and exemplars; and

NEW BUSINESS

a. Superintendent’s Recommendations

- (3) Recommendation 93-17-18 Relative to Resolution: Teacher Appreciation Week (*continued*)

WHEREAS, the goal of Teacher Appreciation Week is to raise national and local awareness of teaching excellence in building a better society; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Waterford School District recognizes National Teacher Appreciation Week, May 7-11, 2018, and encourages our schools and community to appropriately recognize the vital and changing role of teachers in imagining and creating a better future for society.

Members made comments regarding the importance of teachers and recognizing the outstanding teaching staff in Waterford Schools.

Ayes: Members Piggott, Barghahn, Sutherland, Petrusha, Himmelspach, and Torres
Nays: None
Motion carried. (6-0)

- (4) Recommendation 94-17-18 Relative to Surplus Property – Removal of Parcel 5

Moved by Member Piggott and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education remove Parcel 5-Hospital Road site-west side of Hospital Road, north of Cooley Lake Road, from Waterford School District’s surplus property listing, i.e. the property will no longer be available for sale.

Members of the Board made comments in support and opposition of this motion.

Ayes: Members Sutherland and Petrusha
Nays: Members Himmelspach, Piggott, Barghahn and Torres
Motion failed. (2-4)

NEW BUSINESS

b. Consideration of Certain Purchases

- (1) Recommendation 95-17-18 Relative Contract Award: Snow Plow/Grounds Trucks (4)

Moved by Member Sutherland and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the awarding of contracts to purchase four (4) new snow plow / grounds trucks from Todd Wenzel Buick GMC of Westland.

Todd Wenzel Buick GMC of Westland participates in MIDEAL, an extended purchasing program which allows Michigan local units of government to use state contracts for reduced costs of goods and services, by eliminating the time and effort to process bids.

General Fund 2018 - Two trucks	\$ 57,918.90
General Fund 2019 - Two trucks	<u>\$ 57,918.90</u>
Total Purchase (MiDeal Pricing):	\$ 115,837.80

NEW BUSINESS

b. Consideration of Certain Purchases

- (1) Recommendation 95-17-18 Relative Contract Award: Snow Plow/Grounds Trucks (4)
(continued)

Member Petrusha clarified that the years noted are budget years rather than vehicle years and that they are prepped for snow plows. We will use current equipment with the trucks.

Ayes: Members Barghahn, Piggott, Sutherland, Petrusha, Himmelpach, and Torres
Nays: None
Motion carried. (6-0)

- (2) Recommendation 96-17-18 Relative to Contract Award: WSD Computer Equipment Lease Bids

Moved by Member Sutherland and supported by Member Petrusha that the Board of Education approve the contract award per the summary of bids below for the 2018 Computer Equipment Lease. The funding source is the Technology General Fund.

Company	Computer Stations	CADD Stations	Powervault Server	PowerEdge Server	Total Annual Lease Price
Dell Marketing L.P.	\$232,753.50	\$41,223.89	\$2,367.64	\$7,367.01	\$283,712.04
Access Interactive	\$278,032.50	\$45,227.83	\$2,343.12	\$7,382.17	\$332,985.62
CDW	\$264,127.50	\$55,484.85	Not to Spec	Not to Spec	\$319,612.35
Civitas IT	\$257,985.00	\$49,534.58	No Bid	No Bid	\$307,519.58

It is recommended that the Board of Education award the 5 year lease to Dell in the amount of \$283,712.04 annually.

Ayes: Members Barghahn, Piggott, Sutherland, Petrusha, Himmelpach, and Torres
Nays: None
Motion carried. (6-0)

AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-ACTION ITEMS

Dave Reimus addressed the Board of Education regarding the Anti-Bullying Task Force, Board of Education ethics as well as coordination of school social workers.

Robin McGregor spoke about the importance of teachers and support staff, Youth Recognition Awards, and the Waterford Senior Center.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Future Items

- (1) Recognition – WF Teacher of the Year
- (2) Information – Waterford Academic Achievement Endorsement
- (3) Action – Oakland ISD Budget Resolution
- (4) Action – 2018 Biennial Election for Oakland Schools Board of Education

DISCUSSION ITEMS

b. Board of Education Reports

Member Torres spoke about Youth Recognition Awards and the Anti-Bullying Task Force.

Member Sutherland thanked Member Torres for the update and celebrated upcoming events, including the secondary art shows, Senior Honors Nights, induction ceremonies, concerts and plays Sandlot Showdown at Jimmy John's Field and high school proms.

Member Piggott talked about board member representation on various boards, including the Anti-Bullying Task Force, the upcoming baseball game and Waterford Youth Assistance. He also spoke to the GoFundMe account set up to benefit the students who are recovering after being struck by a drunk driver recently and the coming together of the community for these students.

Member Barghahn discussed the 2018-2019 budget planning, including direction, options, enrollment and fund balance, as well as the Anti-Bullying Task Force and Teacher Appreciation Week.

Member Petrusha spoke about ethics and governance, recognition weeks and the upcoming Optimist raffle.

Member Himmelspach spoke regarding the baseball game at Jimmy John's and the Senior Center.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Wunderlich shared an update on the Anti-Bullying Task Force along with group and individual awards and accolades, including Mott and Kettering Distracted Driving Video Awards, Earth Day efforts, Kettering Chamber and Harmonic Ensemble, Grayson's Great Debate, College and Career Fair, Youth Assistance Awards, Green School Awards, Kettering Robotics State Champs, WF Teacher of the Year, Optimist Grant Award, Pierce's Autism Awareness, middle school girls building drones, Summer of STEAM Camps, Galileo Awards, First Friday and Teacher Appreciation Week.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by President Himmelspach at 8:27 PM.

A video recording on DVD is on file with the official minutes.

Secretary, Board of Education

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