

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (Approved)

HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DIMONDALE AND HOLT, MICHIGAN

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 5780 WEST HOLT ROAD, HOLT

Monday, October 7, 2024 - 7:00 P.M.

Present: Jennifer Robel, Jessie Jones, Mark Perry, Robert Halgren, Kevin Leonard, David Hornak

Absent: Amy Dalton, Marisa Anderson

CALL TO ORDER – QUORUM; Pledge of Allegiance, Mission/Vision Statement – Vice President Robel called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – We removed items 8.1 and 8.2 and added item 12.1 from the Committee of the Whole meeting and made it item 9.3 on this agenda.

Dr. Hornak asked if he could make some opening comments. He wanted to take a moment to celebrate some progress made in the district, from innovative programs that are enhancing student engagement to recent achievements in academics and extracurricular activities. He highlighted the inspirational hard work and dedication of our teachers, staff and students and how these accomplishments reflect collective efforts and the vibrant spirit of our community. He also shared that the district celebrated homecoming the previous week. It is meant to strengthen community ties, promote school spirit, and honor tradition. It was a wonderful and festive atmosphere that celebrated achievements and fostered connections.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Jenny Baker, Sycamore parent. She reached out recently to Dr. Hornak about mindfulness exercises. Some parents mentioned Ram Time is good for those struggling academically, but for those who are not struggling maybe some mindfulness exercises. The potholes have not been filled and they are beyond frustrated. I have reached out directly, and we feel stuck in the muck. We are supposed to have a Trunk or Treat, and we are worried about the potholes for Sycamore and Junior High. Does the PTO need to ask parents for asphalt. It has been a month. She does not know of any other schools with potholes like this. The students can fall into the holes.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVALS* *Note: All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.*

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 9, 2024*

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 9, 2024*

Donations*

Jackie Wood - \$1,000 donation to Wilcox

Anonymous Donor - \$1,000 donation to Wilcox for Field Trip Support

Sycamore PTO - \$1,000 towards Sycamore Stars T-shirts, \$1,500 towards RAZ Kids Licenses, \$38.39 towards a Time Capsule

Approval of Bills Paid*

IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Halgren to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion carried.

*Requires Board action

INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT – HPS AND CHILD AND FAMILY CHARITIES - Kelly Haney, Director of Program Innovations for Child and Family Charities and Shelby shared highlights from the Expanding, Enhancing Emotional Health (E3) Program from the 23-24 school year and plans for the 24-25 school year. This year Kenneth Joyce is the therapist serving at Holt High School. He was unable to attend this evening as he is actively seeing clients at Holt High School. New this year Case Management services are available to Holt Public students enrolled in E3. Child and Family are required to present to the Board of Education as part of the grant requirement. A copy of the presentation is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent's Office.

REPORTS

Student Representative Report – Jake Gillentine, Senior Representative shared information about Homecoming and the students are all very excited about the school year. Things are going well.

Mark Perry, Finance Committee – Trustee Perry shared that the Committee met with Nick from Maner Costerisan to go over the audited financials that are being presented for Board approval this evening.

Mark Perry, Capital Improvement Committee (CIC) Committee – Trustee Perry gave an overview of the most recent CIC meeting which includes the Schematic Design estimate report and drawings the Bond Partners presented in the Committee of the Whole meeting. We also spent a great deal of time working through options for Series 3 and 4 and the supplemental bond as well. There are decisions to make at Junior High, Main and North Campus High Schools and Washington Woods.

Sycamore Schematic Design (SD) Drawings* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve the Sycamore Schematic Design Drawings as presented.

Sycamore Schematic Design (SD) Estimate Report* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve the Sycamore Schematic Design Estimate Report as presented.

Trustee Perry stated that Granger presented it earlier. The bottom line is it is in line with what we anticipated. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Hornak shared highlights from his monthly Superintendent's Report. He mentioned that the new Dimondale Elementary School is coming along nicely, and he would love to schedule time to take the Board out to visit the construction site. Dr. Hornak also shared that the Board asked last year for the district to better calibrate the bullying data, and he did that.

President's Report – Vice President Robel shared the Monthly Commemorative, Cultural and Celebratory Events taking place in the month of October, including National Principals Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Bullying Prevention Month, Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Filipino American Heritage Month, German American Heritage Month, Italian American Heritage Month, LGBTQ History Month, National Work and Family Month, Polish American Heritage Month, Family History Month

WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

* Requires Board action

DECA State Leadership Conference Overnight Trip Approval* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve the DECA State Leadership Conference Overnight Trip as presented. Motion carried.

International Trip to France Overnight Trip Approval* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve the France Overnight Trip as presented. Motion carried.

Portugal & Spain Language Culture Tour Overnight Trip Approval* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Jones and supported by Trustee Leonard to approve the Portugal & Spain Overnight Trip as presented. Motion carried.

DISTRICT DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

HR Report

Non-Bargaining (GSRP) Rate Adjustment* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Leonard and supported by Trustee Jones to approve the non-bargaining (GSRP) rate adjustment as presented. Motion carried.

Curriculum Office Update – The Curriculum Office Update was presented earlier during the Committee of the Whole meeting. A copy of the presentation is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent’s Office.

STUDENT SERVICES REPORT – The Student Services Report was presented earlier during the Committee of the Whole meeting. A copy of the report is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent’s Office.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION OFFICE UPDATE – The DEI Update was presented earlier during the Committee of the Whole meeting. A copy of the update is on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent’s Office.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL PACKET – Mike Dunckel was unable to attend. Alexis Regnier attended to share the Finance Department update. Alexis asked if anyone had any questions regarding the monthly financial packet. No one had questions. She also shared a Three-Year Budget Projection Report that they prepared for the Board. A copy of the financial packet and projection report are on file with the official Board meeting materials located in the Superintendent’s office.

Trustee Perry asked if they had recommendations to help the fund balance projections they presented. Mrs. Regnier shared they will be working as an executive team on suggestions and revisit with the Board

Accept the 2023-2024 Audited Financial Statements* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Perry and supported by Trustee Halgren to accept the 2023-2024 Audited Financial Statements as presented. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS – There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS– There was no new business.

* Requires Board action

ADJOURNMENT* - IT WAS MOVED by Trustee Halgren and supported by Trustee Jones to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessie Jones, Secretary