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School District of the City of Saginaw

MINUTES OF THE BOARD ACTION MEETING

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August 21, 2024

President Coleman called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

1. ATTENDANCE

Board of Education:	President C. Coleman	Present
	Vice President J. Nash	Present
	Secretary V. Harrison	Present
	Treasurer R. A. Knapp	Present
	Trustee K. M. Rooker	Present
	Trustee J. Seals	Present
	Trustee M. Thompson	Present
Central Administration Staff:		
	Superintendent R. Roberts	Present
	Deputy Superintendent T. Johnson	Present

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Coleman asked Board Members if there were any additions or subtractions to the agenda. Dr. Coleman would like to move item “F” up in front of item “C.”

Dr. Coleman asked if there were no further adjustments. If not, we will make these changes and follow the amended agenda.

Motion

Moved by Mrs. Nash, with support from Ms. Harrison, that the move of the item is properly supported by the board.

A roll call vote was taken. The results were as follows:

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 - Motion carried.

3. PRESENTATION

National Scholastic Awards

Dr. Roberts shared that we have some exceptional students and their accomplishments this past school. One received achievement in the area of Art, and the others in the area of Writing. He called on Mrs. Reid, the principal of SASA, to introduce the students to be recognized.

Mrs. Reid called on each student who received a Gold Key:

Jane Whittaker is the National Gold Scholastic Award in Art, Jane is a 10th Grader in Visual Arts 2D Concentration for her colored pencil drawing called “The Weight of Shame.”

National Silver Scholastic Award in Writing:

*Nadia Collins (10th Grade, from the ELA Concentration class) for her poem “For What Price.”

*Amaria Tarver (10th Grade, from the Creative Writing elective class) for her poem “The Goddess.”

The Board Members and Dr. Roberts congratulated the students.

MASB President's Award

Dr. Roberts shared that one of our board members has received recognition from the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB). He stated that she has had fantastic accomplishments during her tenure as a Board Member. Dr. Roberts called on Don Wotruba from MASB for a special presentation.

Don Wotruba is here to recognize Mattie Thompson for her accomplishments at MASB and share her efforts and achievements. MASB created the certification program for school board members in Michigan 34 years ago. He shared that the highest level of certification is called the MASB President's Award. Mr. Wotruba has shared that Mattie Thompson has 1200 + classroom time. He stated that only 40 Board Members across the State of Michigan have received this award. This shows dedication to the SPSD and the children of this community; and the commitment. Mr. Wotruba has a certificate of achievement for Mattie Thompson, a president award pin, and a crystal paperweight.

Update on Bond Project Construction

Dr. Roberts called on Mr. Trace Hendrick to provide information about the Bond Project and Construction Updates. Mr. Hendrick introduced his student worker, Angelia Mora, a senior at SUHS who will work on the summer project this year. Angelia has worked at the SUHS and SASA Projects.

Mr. Hendrick shared budget updates and SUHS contingencies of \$33,000 in changes from the last update. These are the final touches at SUHS Tower; others are associated with the fields and the fieldhouse project. SASA's budget has increased to \$175,000 since the last update. He said this was due to state inspectors. Mr. Hendricks shared that he had kitchen hood issues like SMS and some general conditions, such as flooring, painting, and air-handling equipment, that needed fixing. Mr. Hendrick stated that information at Handley was exhausted in the kiln room, and the solution is \$10,000 once electrical equipment is added. He shared that the SMS has \$45,000 in miscellaneous changes from the last update.

Dr. Roberts shared that the overall budget has not changed in terms of being over budget on page 11 of the presentation attached to Boardbook. He shared that we are prepared to cover that as we have through Esser funding and another coverage fund that we have been working on with Mrs. Johnson. Dr. Roberts stated that the contingency fund is the gray area shaded in the gray, and that amount is an additional area about to be prepared to cover. He shared our contingency fund is over by that amount, which will cover the amount we are over in the budget. The total is still 3.6 million over budget for the project for the District. Dr. Roberts shared that communication (electronic/mail/email/district website and school website) will go out to all buildings, sharing information about the ongoing construction over the next several months.

Latin History - 365

Dr. Roberts called on Dr. Foley to present the Latin History Secondary Curriculum and supplement to Social Studies classes. Dr. Foley shared detailed information on the new updated curriculum of Latin History that was asked for last year. He elaborated on the great design and focus for students for a core curriculum and option to use the online textbook, which students could access the app from their phone. Dr. Foley continued to share how engaging the 365 curriculum is for students to learn with the online and digital components connected to the textbook, which is interactive. He answered questions from Board Members.

SCC Contracts

Dr. Roberts called on Mr. Ben Leal, principal at the Saginaw Career Complex, to present the SCC Contractors for the 2024-25 school year. Mr. Ben Leal shared the following contracts.

- Bavarian Inn Agreement (Renewal)

- Cosmetology - Bayshire Beauty Academy Agreement (Renewal)
- HVAC - Local 85 Agreement (Renewal with increase)
- Welding - Local 85 Agreement (Renewal with increase)
- MyMichigan Agreement (Renewal)
- Ascension Contract (Renewal)

Mr. Ben Leal shared the collaboration with the variety of programs this year with SCC. These programs will follow the same format as other contracts and costs with renewal fees. SISD will provide half of the funding, and SPSD will provide the other half. Justin Pomerville, from Welding and HVAC Program – Local 85, shared information regarding the increase per student from us and how that has impacted his budget since 2003. He answered questions from Board Members. This item will be on the Consent Agenda for tonight.

Consolidated Application – Title Funds

Dr. Roberts called on Mrs. Nichols for the Consolidated Application for the Title Funding that is sent out for approval from the state. Mrs. Nichols shared that the Board approved the Consolidated Application Budget. She shared that this would include Title 1, part A, which is improving basic programs for \$9,594,193.00. Mrs. Nichols shared that Title 2 is helping with instruction and professional development, and that is for \$601,156.00. She shared Title 3, which is English Learner and Immigrated Education Programs, for \$17,713.00, and Title IV, part A, which is our student support and academic enrichment, for \$628,130.00. Mrs. Nichols shared additional information and has attached a budget sheet as well. She answered questions from Board Members. This item will be on the Consent Agenda for tonight.

4. PUBLIC/UNION COMMENTS

President Coleman called for Public and Union Comments and none were made.

5. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Enrollment numbers (SUHS, Saginaw Middle, SASA)

Dr. Roberts called on Dr. Foley to give an overview of the current enrollment numbers of SUHS, Saginaw Middle, and SASA. Dr. Foley shared the current numbers of the Secondary Preliminary Enrollment Update: Unaudited Current Count. See below:

- Success - grades 6-12th with 149 in District, and 165 total.
- TMS - grades 6-8th with 677 in District, and 714 total.
- SMS - grade 6th with 190 in District, and 197 total.
- SASA - grades 6-12th with 154 in District, and 407 total.
- SUHS - grades 6-12th with 888 in District, and 1022 total.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

President Coleman asked board members if there were any exceptions to the Consent Agenda.

The following motion was made.

Motion

Moved by Mrs. Nash and supported by Mr. Rooker, the Saginaw Board of Education accepts the Consent Agenda format as presented.

A voice vote was taken with the following results.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 – Motion Carried

- A. Approve the Minutes for July 10, 2024 (Action Meeting)

- B. Approve the July 2024 Human Resources/Labor Relations Report
- C. Approve the July Financials
- D. Approve the Elementary Science Curriculum \$291,412.79 for 3rd-5th grade, AmplifyScience. General Funds will be used.
- E. Approve the Secondary Elementary Science Curriculum for \$155,848.35 to the AmplifyScience and Social Studies Curriculum for \$69,567.60 to SAVVAS. General Funds will be used.
- F. Approve the Band Instruments for \$37,137.50 to MUSIC & ARTS. General Funds will be used.
- G. Approve the NWEA Renewal for \$67,502.50 to NWEA. General Funds will be used.
- H. Approve the appointment of Mr. Michael Foust to the Saginaw Library Board to replace Ms. Ann Schneider Branch. The term will end June 30, 2028.
- I. Approve the Behavior Technician Contract for Positive Behavior Support, Corp. \$297,000. General Funds will be used.
- J. Approve the potential Ribbon Cutting Dates Phase 1 at 6 p.m.: SASA Monday, November 11, 2024; Saginaw Middle Monday, October 21, 2024; and SUHS Monday, September 30, 2024.
- K. Approve the SCC Contracts for the 2024-25 School Year: Cosmetology - Bayshire Beauty Academy, HVAC Career and Technical Education with Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #85, Bavarian Inn, Ascension Michigan, and MyMichigan Health Agreements.

The Superintendent Recommendation for approval of the Consolidated Application for the 2024-2025 as presented.

The following motion was made.

Motion

Moved by Ms. Knapp and supported by Ms. Harrison, the Saginaw Board of Education accepts the Consent Agenda format as presented.

A voice vote was taken with the following results.

Ayes: 8 Nays: 0 – Motion Carried

7. COMMITTEE REPORT

Finance

Ms. Knapp stated she is not sure of a committee meeting next month.

Policy and Curriculum

Mrs. Seals shared that there will be a meeting next month, and more information will be shared later.

Building and Grounds

Mrs. Nash - no report.

Human Resources

Mrs. Thompson said she would meet with Dr. Roberts regarding the evaluation and share it later.

City/County/School Liaison

Dr. Coleman shared there will be a meeting on Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 5:30 pm.

8. FINAL BOARD COMMENTS

Ms. Knapp - said she would like to thank the District and the Board for allowing her to attend the Summer Institute at Gaylord and new classes are available with MASB.

Ms. Harrison - said she would like to congratulate Mrs. Thompson on her achievement and recognition. She stated Mrs. Thompson she would take many classes and desired to win the Presidential Award, so good job. Ms. Harrison said through a conference she saw the BH 365 was very detailed, with the QR Codes it taking you on a tour of these different places. She stated she knows Latin 365 will do the same for the students and thanks for this purchase.

Mrs. Thompson - thanked the school board and Dr. Roberts for allowing her to attend the conferences and complete the classes. She shared how Ms. Knapp, Ms. Delena Allen, and she have received the Presidential Award.

Mrs. Nash - said she would like to thank Dr. Roberts and all his staff for all the work staff have done to get things off the ground for this fall. She shared how the workload of preparation, all the new coursework, new facilities, and training new staff have come together very well. Mrs. Nash stated she is looking forward to the successful start of a new year. She said she attended an online MASB workshop with Brad Banaszak, a pre-conference for the school district on law issues approaching us this fall.

Mr. Rooker - congratulated Mrs. Thompson on her achievement and wished he could attend the MASB conferences. He said Dr. Roberts' rolling out the tours will be work and overwhelming. He said having this Latin History guide to teach such great lessons would be nice. Mr. Rooker is excited to hear about the trades and the wages the students will be making.

Mrs. Seals - said she was excited about the three students recognized tonight. She said having a Scholastic Awards National Finalist in our School District is an honor. She shared that the numbers at our schools are just preliminary. She mentioned the SCC student interviews, which show students always do an excellent job. Mrs. Seals asked for a date for the strategic plan; the date is TBD.

Dr. Roberts – congratulated Mrs. Thompson on her award this evening; he stated this was fantastic. Dr. Roberts acknowledges Ms. Knapp and former Board Member Ms. Allen for being recipients. He also wanted to recognize the three students from SASA and those working for the construction workers. He wanted to introduce Brandon Jackson, who handles all the graphic designs for SUHS, billboards, logos, and designs. Dr. Roberts would like to welcome all the students on Tuesday, September 3, 2024. We are expecting 5600 students back to the District. Opening Session is Monday, August 26, 2024, at 8 am at the Dow Event Center, Heritage Theater.

Dr. Coleman – said congratulations to Mrs. Thompson on her award and said she received the highest award available through MASB, along with Ms. Knapp. Dr. Coleman applauds our students who received the National Awards. Congratulations to our intern. He thanked Dr. Roberts and his staff for juggling and delegating. Dr. Coleman said the Local 85 SCC students will have great jobs after graduation. See everyone at the open session on Monday, August 26, 2024, at 8 am at the Dow. Ms. Henderson, you play an essential role in keeping us together.

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING(S)

TBD.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, the Action Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Recorded by: K. Henderson