

School District of the City of Saginaw
MINUTES OF THE BOARD BRIEFING SESSION
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June 11, 2025

Dr. 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 K. M. Rooker	Present
	Treasurer R. A. Knapp	Present
	Trustee J. Calhoun	Absent
	Trustee J. Seals	Present
	Trustee M. Thompson	Present (arrived at 5:32 pm)
Central Administration Staff:		
	Superintendent, Dr. R. Roberts	Present
	Deputy Superintendent T. Johnson	Present

2. APPROVAL OF BRIEFING SESSION AGENDA

Dr. Coleman asked Board members if there were any additions or subtractions to the agenda. The agenda was approved as presented.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Strategic Plan 2025

Dr. Roberts shared information of the Strategic Plan 2025, which involves the school district in the next 5 years. He called on Deb Macon to share information regarding the Strategic Plan 2025. Mrs. Macon shared detailed information about the Strategic Plan 2025. She continued to share an overview of the Strategic Plan in detail. She answered questions presented by the Board and stated that we will share the remaining parts of the Strategic Plan Budget Update at a later date.

MHSAA 2025-2026 Resolution

Dr. Roberts called on Dr. Foley to share information about the MHSAA Resolution for the 2025-26 Athletic Teams. Dr. Foley shared details with the Board for review of the 2025-26 MHSAA Resolution. He stated Saginaw United is now added for grades 9-12, SASA for 6-12, TMS, and Saginaw Middle School, which will all be members of MHSAA. This item will be on the Consent Agenda for approval next week.

Budget Presentation

Dr. Roberts called on Tamara Johnson to share the Budget Presentation for the 2025-26 School year.

Tamara Johnson shared that her presentation is in Board Book for the Board Members. She presented on the Final Budget for 2024-25, L4029, and the 2025-2026 Original Budget. Ms. Johnson gave an overview of the variances and explained how they balanced out with these changes. Ms. Johnson shared with clarity each division of the budget and expenditure and answered questions from the Board Members.

Ms. Johnson also shared the L-4029 Form, which is the Property Tax Levy, which needs approval and a copy is attached to Board Book. She stated that the L-4029 overall has no change, which was 9.1 and now 9.01. She continued to share more information and answered questions from the Board Members. These items will be on the Consent Agenda for approval next week.

Ms. Johnson shared detailed information on the 2025-2026 General Fund Budget. She provided highlights of the 2025-2026 General Fund Budget, along with detailed budget projections for all other budgets. Ms. Johnson answered questions from the Board Members.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Finance Committee

Ms. Knapp shared that the Public Hearing will be on June 18, 2025, at 5 pm at the Board of Education. Ms. Johnson shared the May Financials information in Board Book. If you have any questions, please email Ms. Johnson. These items will be on the Consent Agenda for approval next week.

Policy and Curriculum

Mrs. Seals stated that we have three policies to review, but no changes until cleared and on hold with Neola.

Buildings and Grounds

Mrs. Nash stated she has no report at this time

Metal Detectors

Dr. Roberts called on Tim Furtaw to give detailed information on Metal Detectors for the secondary building for a modern updated version. Tim Furtaw shared information of the bids shared with Board Members. He focused on two bids with detailed information and shared the advantages of the bid he chose. He suggested that the Board Members vote for the CEIA USA Metal Detector Company for \$193,827.00 and 31A funds would be used. This item will be on the Consent Agenda for approval next week.

Content Filter Renewal

Dr. Roberts called on Theo Dillingham to give detailed information about the Content Filter. Theo shared that three years ago that he presented the original Content Filter. He said that this is a renewal along with so many AI capabilities. He shared the 3-year renewal contract, which includes a total of \$84,892.95 in General funds. This item will be on the Consent Agenda for approval next week.

Human Resources

Mrs. Thompson stated she has no report at this time.

Liaison Committee

Dr. Coleman shared he is not sure of the agenda for the upcoming Liaison meeting in July. He asked Dr. Roberts for the update on the property across from SUHS. Dr. Roberts stated he reached out to the County, City, and Saginaw Basin Land Conservatory to meet regarding the property as a courtesy. Dr. Coleman asked Dr. Roberts regarding the statue and the sign. Dr. Roberts stated that it is determined we need to acquire a piece of property at this time.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Human Resources/Labor Relations Report

Dr. Roberts gave an overview of the Human Resources/Labor Relations report for the month of June, which will be an item on the Consent Agenda.

6. PUBLIC/UNION COMMENTS

Dr. Coleman called for Public and Union Comments.

Public Comment

Dawn Goodrow-Hillard addressed the Board Members and shared her concerns of Discipline and Suspensions surrounding a student.

Union Comment

No Comment

7. CLOSED SESSION – PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

Dr. Coleman moved to go into a Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the purchase of the property.

Motion

Moved by Mrs. Nash with support from Mrs. Seals that the board go into a Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the purchase of the property.

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

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 - Motion carried.

Board members entered into Closed Session at 7:18 p.m.

8. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Dr. Coleman stated to Reconvene from Closed Session.

No Action

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

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 - Motion carried.

8. FINAL BOARD COMMENTS

Mrs. Seals - said she was glad Dr. Roberts referred Ms. Hillard's concerns to Dr. Tran.

Mr. Rooker – no comment.

Mrs. Nash - shared she was glad she was able to view the graduations this year online when she was unable to attend in person. They were very well done.

Mrs. Thompson – she would like to thank the staff.

Ms. Knapp – said she would like to congratulate the graduates of 2025 and wish them the best in their bright future.

Dr. Roberts said he would like to congratulate the graduates of 2025; both ceremonies were excellent. Dr. Roberts would like the Community to allow him to serve another year and finish the 5-year Strategic Plan. He wished everyone a great summer with activities. Dr. Roberts stated we would be appointing Bob Johnson as the Director of Marketing, PR, and Communication.

President Coleman – applaud the SPSD team for a safe year. He shared how much he loves the Graduate Banners throughout the city. Dr. Coleman shared there is Hot Times in the County printed copies and online.

10. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING(S)

There will be a Special Meeting Public Budget presentation on Wednesday, June 18, at 5:00 p.m., an Action meeting on Wednesday, June 18, at 5:30 p.m. The meetings will be held in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 550 Millard Street.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business, the Briefing Session was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Recorded by: Kim Henderson