

HURON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
March 27, 2017

President, Jack Richert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

Members Present: Ferguson, Roupe, Szawara, Whited, Richert,

Members Absent: Cornwall and Gill

Pledge to the flag was given.

16/17-112. Moved by Whited, seconded by Szawara, that the Board of Education approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 27, 2017.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

Public Concerns and Comments:

There were no public comments.

Communication:

There were no communications.

16/17-113. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Szawara, that the Board of Education grant tenue to the teachers listed, as recommended by the district administration.

Nicole Ybarra, Brown Elementary
Karla Nash, Renton Junior High School
Aaron Kieltyka, Renton Junior High School
Lindsay Bedford, Miller Elementary
Cortney Cannon, Miller Elementary
Karissa Cook, Miller Elementary
Candance Smith, Huron High School
Lindsay Beregsasy, Huron High School
Craig Jerore, Huron High School

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

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16/17-114. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Alison Baker, as the Special Education Aide at Flat Rock High School, effective April 10, 2017, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-115. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Szawara, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Chris Katopodis, as the Technology Technician for Huron School District, effective March 28, 2017, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-116. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Darren Bigham, as a Bus Aide, effective March 27, 2017, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-117. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the Technology Support Specialist contract for Clifton Mullins for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year, through June 30, 2018, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-118. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the probationary contract for Tiffany Lewis, as the District Special Education Social Worker, also supporting At-Risk Secondary Students, effective April 11, 2017, as presented

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

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16/17-119. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the probationary contract for Rhonda Adam as the Elementary Social Worker, supporting Special Education Self-Contained Students, effective April 17, 2017, pending the results of the criminal background and pre-employment physical, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-120. Moved by Roupe, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the hiring of Donna Cullen as the part-time Special Education Aide at Renton Jr. High School, effective March 6, 2017, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-121. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve Michelle Peterson's one-year leave of absence, for the 2017-2018 school year, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-122. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Szawara, that the Board of Education approve the updated list of Spring coaches for the 2016-2017 school year by adding the following coaches:

Don Morris, Co-Head Coach Boys Renton Jr. High Track & Field
Molly Fichtner, Assistant Coach for Renton Jr. High Track & Field

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-123. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the STEM lab equipment and curriculum for Renton Junior High School, as presented.

Ayes -5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

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16/17-124. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the out of state field trip to California for the International Career DECA conference in April 2017, as presented.

Mr. Bob Blosser along with DECA student, Joseph Comilla gave a brief discussion regarding the business plan that they presented at the State level in Detroit. They were state champions in their category.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-125. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the School of Choice Section 105 with limited vacancies for the fall of the 2017-2018 school year, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

16/17-126. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson that the Board of Education approve the resolution for the Ballot Language for the Non-Homestead Millage Renewal, for the August 8, 2017 election, as presented.

Mr. Jack Richert, Sandy Regets and Mr. Richard Naughton gave a brief explanation of what the Non-Homestead Millage Renewal was about and how it worked.

Roll Call Vote: Ferguson, Roupe, Whited, Szawara and
Richert -----AYES.

Motion carried.

16/17-127. Moved by Szawara, seconded by Ferguson, that the Board of Education approve the second reading of the Board Policy Update, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

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16/17-128. Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Roupe, that the Board of Education approve the stipend for a Strength and Conditioning Coach, to be paid in quarterly stipends, as presented.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried.

Board Policy Committee: Next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2017.

Facility Needs Committee: Trena Szawara stated that there is nothing new to report and the wish lists are being worked on.

Finance Committee: Mr. Gill was not available

Strategic Planning Committee: Mr. Naughton stated that Jan Parsons who has helped with the previous plans, has retired and will not be available. He spoke with Dr. Wilmont who will check on his availability.

LDFA: Mr. Donovan Rowe stated that they are currently looking into the Pinnacle property for development.

Planning Commission Report: Alice Whited said that there is nothing new to report, and it currently looks like the April meeting may be cancelled due to the lack of agenda items.

16/17-129. Moved by Whited, seconded by Szawara, that the Board of Education approve the Accounts Payable totaling \$2,142,119.84.

Roll Call Vote: Ferguson, Roupe, Szawara, Whited
and Richert-----AYES.

Motion carried.

Investment Report: Note and File

Auditorium Report: Note and File

Statement of Revenue and Expenditures: Notes and File

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Comments from the Board of Education members:

Scott Ferguson welcomed all of the new employees and congratulated the teachers who have made tenure. He wishes the DECA student luck in California.

Cory Roupe also congratulated the teachers, new hires and DECA students. He also said how good it is to see how large the Track & Field teams are becoming.

Trena Szawara congratulated the teachers who received tenure and welcomed all of the new employees. She also congratulated the DECA students on a great job. She thank Mr. Jos Nickel on an outstanding job of keeping our buildings clean. She has been to many districts and none of their buildings look as nice as ours. She really appreciates all of the work they his crew is doing.

Alice Whited thank thanked the government students for coming. She congratulated the Renton Jr. High Honor Roll students on a job well done. She attended the Athletic Booster Club Comedy night, which is their largest fundraiser. It is always great to see so many people there to help raise money for the Boosters. They have been able to raise over \$140,000 for the Huron Athletic teams over the past few years.

Jack Richert is excited to move forward with the STEM project at Renton Jr. High. He addressed the issue of the Huron School mascot. The Superintendent of the State Board has asked the Attorney General if school districts can fined for using Native American or other offensive mascots. At this time, the Board is taking no position on this matter. We will wait to see what the Attorney General's decision is. We will not be taking this fine lightly, and my possibly have to change. However, there will be serval discussions regarding this prior to anything taking place. Any rumors that have been heard about us changing our name, at this time, are false. The Board will not be taking any position on this, until they are mandated to.

Superintendents Comments:

Mr. Naughton is excited about the STEM lab and thanked everyone that was involved with putting this together over the past ten (10) months. Mr. Mrocko and Ms. Fisher let Mr. Naughton know that we might not be far off from STEM at the Elementary level. He hopes that the DECA students have a great time in California. Spring sports are moving from practice to competition. He also thanked Tom Wiles for being the "rock" at all of the Board meetings. He keeps his eyes and ears open for everything Huron. We always try to treat the Huron Chief with dignity and respect. We are "Huron" High School, in "Huron" Township, on "Huron" River Dr., next the to

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Superintendents Comments (continued)

“Huron” River, it is tough to not be able to honor the spirit of the “Huron” people. Mr. Naughton stated that, Mr. Richert is right, we would have to changed if mandated. We would not be able to afford the fine. We would have input from students and staff before anything was decided.

16/17-130. Moved by Whited, seconded by Szawara that the meeting adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of Contract Negotiation Strategies at 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Ferguson, Roupe, Szawara, Whited
and Richert-----AYES.

Motion carried.

Resumed open session at 8:14 p.m.

16/17-131. Moved by Whited, seconded by Szawara to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

Motion carried