



**Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes
February 26, 2024
Powell 9th Grade Academy – Media Center**

Called to Order	6:00 p.m. Called to order by Vice President, Chris Young. 5 members present. 2 members absent with notice (Banach, Antoine).
Pledge of Allegiance	Led by the Board
Approved	Agenda for February 26, 2024 Regular Meeting. Demas moved. Conner supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried. Agenda Approved.
Bulldog Spotlight	<p>Dr. Robinson introduced and congratulated the Romeo Teachers of the Year and the Business Partner of the Year.</p> <p>Evva Dossin gave an overview of the CTE Program and shared the benefits, opportunities, success stories and resources for the program.</p>
Presentations	<p>Vicki Laseke, Executive Director of Business Services, shared a presentation on the General Fund Budget Amendment. The general fund budget and fund balance for 22-23 and the original fund budget for 23-24 was shared. There was increased funding for enrollment and state aid funding which produced an increase over original assumptions. Other revenue sources and expenditures were listed and an overview of ESSER Funding was given. ESSER I and II funding has been fully expended and ESSER III will be expended by September 30th. The fund equity balance has increased and is expected to be at 18.15% on June 30, 2024.</p> <p>Dr. Robinson made mention that we will be losing grant funding and that there will be a change in numbers in future reports.</p>
Approved	<p>Consent Action Items. Eichhorst moved. Demas supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• General Fund Bills (check register)• Financial Reports (summary, revenue & expense reports)• Wire Transfer report• Purchasing Card Expenditures• Minutes from Regular Meeting held on January 22, 2024• Minutes from Special Meeting held on February 5, 2024
Informational Updates/New Business	<p>Communications – A bereavement thank you card, a GSOPS update, and a reminder regarding the MCSBA meeting and MISD Budget Presentation was shared with the board.</p> <p>Committee Reports – <i>Safety</i> - Mr. Young gave an overview of the Safety Committee of the Whole meeting. The behavior threat assessment process and standard response protocols were reviewed and discussed. They have worked with community partners on the protocols</p>

and each classroom has a protocols folder in case of an emergency. Officer Bauer reviewed AVERT training and the visitor management Raptor System was explained. Discussions took place on district two-way radios and emergency response collaboration with emergency and county workers to ensure the safety of the district.

Curriculum – Ms. Eichhorst gave an overview of the curriculum meeting. Course guide book updates were discussed and new courses will be added to the guide book. They looked at the PD Advisory Committee and the work they do. They went through new CKLA curriculum and discussed the flexibility for the teachers. At the secondary level they are looking at 2 new curriculums. They discussed the upcoming PD Day. She mentioned that the RVA Supervisor, Dave Mineau, has retired and Ms. Amy Maruca is his replacement.

Facilities – Mr. Young gave an overview of the facilities meeting. The Executive Director of Technology, Mark Nelson, presented bid results for classroom technology updates and requested that cloud backup services be renewed. Updates were given on Group I projects. Work continues on the elevator installation at Indian Hills. Discussions took place for elementary furniture for Ham-Par and Indian Hills. Group II projects were also discussed. They were shown illustrations on the new robotics 4,000 square foot addition at RMS and discussed traffic flow there. They were updated on site improvement work at Hevel and Hamilton-Parsons and construction fencing will soon be up. Work on the baseball and softball fields has begun at RHS. The sinking fund summer roofing project bids have been accepted and the RMS watermain project is out for bid. The custodial contract has been extended for 1 year.

Superintendent's Report –

Academic Services Update – Mr. Murray shared elementary updates. He explained that five coaches from Amplify came in to work with teachers on CKLA in February. The March 6th PD Day will be centered on revisiting standards-based learning, continuing developing the report card and visiting a potential change in scale or reporting format. Staffing enrollment projections for 24-25 has started and Young 5's and Kindergarten Night will be held on March 19th.

Ms. McFarlane shared secondary updates. She mentioned that on Feb. 29th there is a 6th grade information night and a 9th grade parent presentation is taking place on March 12th. The RVA has an informational meeting scheduled with MCC and a MCC dual enrollment meeting will be held at RHS on March 14th. On the March 6th PD Day the middle school will do some work on teaming. Nine students qualified for the IAM and all 9 can attend if they choose to. Twenty-nine students qualified for ECM. Dr. Robinson mentioned that all students that wish to attend can do so. Dr. Demas asked if we had a quota on the number of students that can attend and Ms. McFarlane responded that there is no limit.

Election Update – Dr. Robinson gave a final reminder that election day is tomorrow.

State of the District 2024 - Dr. Robinson thanked those who attended the State of the District. He mentioned that there were 10 presentations that took place as well as opportunities for facility tours.

Climate Survey 2.0 – The initial report for the Climate Survey has been received and it will be compared to the 2022 results. A district level review will take place and a recap will be given to the Board of Education on March 11th. The open-ended responses will be analyzed and a summary report will be done. Results will be put on website for parents to view.

District Leadership Team Priorities 24-25 – Initial prioritization work was categorized. The focus is on retaining current positions due to grant funds expiring, new personnel/positions, things that require time & training and supplies, equipment, materials and programs that we may look to bring in. They will share information at the March workshop with the board.

**Public
Comment**

None

Approved

Resolutions

- **Employee Services Resolution #15– Personnel Update**
Demas moved. Eichhorst supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Academic Services Resolution #16 – Professional Development Advisory Committee**
Conner moved. Demas supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Academic Services Resolution #17 – RMS & RHS Course Guidebooks**
Rice moved. Eichhorst supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried.
- **Technology Resolution #18 – 2024 Group 2 Building Construction/Renovation Technology Upgrades**
Conner moved. Young supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Facilities Resolution #19 – 2024 Summer Roofing Projects**
Eichhorst moved. Rice supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Facilities Resolution #20 – Elementary Furniture Replacement – Phase II**
Conner moved. Demas supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Business Services Resolution #21 – 2023-24 General Fund Budget Amendment**
Demas moved. Conner supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Technology Resolution #22 – Unitrends Data Protection Unit (DPU) Renewal/Upgrade**
Rice moved. Conner supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Board Discussion/ For the Good of the District

Ms. Eichhorst stated that she echoed the sentiments that were spoken about Ms. Dossin. She thanked the administrators that presented at the State of the District breakout sessions and thanked the members that came.

Mr. Young stated that he was impressed with the Safety of the Whole meeting. He stated that our district is doing everything possible in regard to safety and with budget talks coming, he would like to see another SRO added. He added that the mental health crisis is concerning and that it is the job of the board to ensure that safety is the top priority. He also feels a need to discuss metal detectors in buildings.

Ms. Rice agreed that there is an increase in mental health illness and keeping students safe is our number 1 priority. She stated that we need to get Edustaff trained in AVERT and that we need to highlight the SafeEd staff and the work they do to keep kids safe.

Dr. Demas agreed and stated there is nothing more important than prevention and that we should do everything possible to protect our staff and students.

Ms. Eichhorst agreed and stated how important it is to keep pushing forward and continue being proactive.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

7:27 p.m. Rice moved. Conner supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

Approved by: Katherine Rice, Secretary _____