



Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

September 25, 2023

Powell 9th Grade Academy – Media Center

Called to Order	6:00 p.m. Called to order by President, Anita Banach. 6 members present. 1 member absent with notice (Conner).
Pledge of Allegiance	Led by the Board
Approved	<p>Agenda for September 25, 2023 Regular Meeting. Demas moved. Rice supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried. Agenda Approved.</p> <p>Ms. Banach requested the ‘Board Discussion/For the Good of the District’ and ‘Public Comment’ be moved up so that there will be no action after Closed Session.</p>
Celebrations	Dr. Robinson shared district celebrations.
Presentations	<p>Kellen Riker from Yeo & Yeo gave the annual Audit Report presentation. Copies of reports related to the audit were provided to the board. Financial statements of the governmental activities, major funds, and fund balance were shared. A ten-year enrollment trend analysis was shared. He indicated an unmodified opinion which is the highest level of assurance and the best opinion you can have.</p> <p>Mr. Antoine thanked Vicki and Dr. Robinson for the work they do. He stated he knows how attentive you have to be when auditors come in and mentioned that there are projections and forecasting being done throughout the year and its nice to see where we end up landing.</p>
Approved	<p>Consent Action Items. Demas moved. Eichhorst supported. 6 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 August 21, 2023
Informational Updates/New Business	<p>Communications – An invitation was shared with the board.</p> <p>Committee Reports – <i>Facilities</i> – Ms. Banach mentioned that an RFP will be going out for a lawn service provider, equipment purchases were reviewed and discussions took place regarding the 297 Prospect property and the need for more time to figure out what the next steps will be.</p>

Finance – Mr. Young summarized the meeting and stated that they received a presentation from the auditors, discussed bonds – including the bus bond and the purchase of 1 more bus, and the non-homestead and village renewals. A \$50 million bond that would help with 2021 bond projects that were not completed due to material cost increases is being considered.

Continuity of Learning Update –

The Return to Learn Continuity of Services Plan was reviewed and one change to testing was noted. We continue to offer in person learning & there are no current mandates from the County Health Dept.

Superintendent’s Report –

Academic Services Update – NWEA testing is finishing up this week, the 5D teacher observation & growth plan will be a topic of PD on 9/27/23 and RMS transformation work is taking place. The CKLA launch is in full swing (google spaces have been set up for collaboration and an Amplify m-class no cost pilot is being offered for title one schools) and a report card refresh is taking place for elementary levels to match new programming.

Annual Theme – Dr. Robinson shared the annual theme, “Choose Joy” and explained the staff awards, individual recognition, building level celebrations and a “Choose Joy” playlist associated with the theme, as well as turnover chains which are being introduced as part of the theme.

Communications and Marketing – Dr. Robinson introduced the new Communications and Marketing Supervisor, Mary Ann Brush. Mary Ann shared some ways that she is working to get good news out to the community.

School Safety – Two-way radios have been distributed, interior surveillance cameras are operating at the elementary buildings and SEC recommendations are being worked on.

Enrollment – Additional student devices were needed and ordered. Student Count day is Wednesday, October 4th. Limited choice may have to be put in place for 2024-2025 for RHS and 9GA.

**Public
Comment**

None

Approved

Resolutions

- **Employee Services Resolution #75 – Personnel Update**
Demas moved. Rice supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Employee Services #76 – Miler Johnson Fall Board Policy Update (2nd Reading)**
Rice moved. Demas supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Technology Resolution #77 – Chromebook Purchase**
Antoine moved. Rice supported. 5 Ayes. 0 Nays. Banach abstained.
- **Facilities Resolution #78 – Annual Financial Audit**
Young moved. Demas supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Facilities Resolution #79 – Operations Equipment Purchase**
Antoine moved. Eichhorst supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- **Facilities Resolution #80 – RVA Course Guidebook**
Demas moved. Eichhorst supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

- **Employee Services Resolution #81 – AFSCME Food Service Tentative Agreement**

Demas moved. Banach supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Board Discussion/ For the Good of the District

Mr. Young asked for updates on construction projects and asked if there has been any follow-up on the texting notification capability from buses to parents. Dr. Robinson stated we have the technology but still have to launch it.

Mr. Young thanked some of the participants of the Peach Festival in their fundraising efforts.

Mrs. Eichhorst and Ms. Banach echoed the sentiments of the Peach Festival.

Mrs. Banach spoke about the Prospect property and the misinformation that was written in an article in the Macomb Daily. She mentioned that they have been completely transparent with the entire process. She explained that the property is zoned as residential and that only the Village can change that. She mentioned that they want to work together with the citizens group.

Public Comment

Dale Wells spoke regarding the Prospect property and stated that he wants to get the best use of the property. He mentioned being surprised that there was no sign or notice that the property was for sale.

Jane Clark shared thoughts about the Prospect property and about being good neighbors. She mentioned that the Village contributes to keep the kids safe and asked the school board to grant the property as a park while they are trying to sell the property.

Elizabeth Miller thanked the board for hearing their concerns regarding the Prospect property. She shared a thought to send a collaborative mailer to see what the community would like to see done with the property. She asked to work together to come to a mutual decision

Richard Cory stated that he was contacted by The Macomb Daily regarding the Prospect property. He asked to work together to make the property the best it can be.

Approved

- **Closed Session – Attorney Client Privilege**

Rice moved. Demas supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

7:34 p.m. into Closed Session for the purpose of attorney client privilege. Roll Call: 6 members present. Todd Robinson, Vicki Laseke and Julia Butler were also present.

8:04 p.m. out of Closed Session. Into Open Session. Banach moved. Demas supported. Roll call: 6 members present. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Adjournment

8:07 p.m. Rice moved. Demas supported. 6 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

Approved by: Mike Antoine, Secretary _____