

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF ROYAL OAK
1123 Lexington Blvd., Royal Oak, MI. 48073**

November 11, 2010

7:00 P.M.

BOARD ROOM

PRESENT: President, Michael Hartman; Vice President, Gary Briggs; Secretary, Marty Cardamone; Trustee, Lisa Bradford; Trustee, Carrie Beerer and Trustee, Jeff Brinker

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent, Thomas Moline; Executive Director Business and Personnel Services, John Schwartz; Executive Director Administrative Services, Cheryl Goodgine; visitors

ABSENT: Treasurer, Deborah Anderson

1. **Opening of Meeting -** Mr. Hartman called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance -** The Pledge of Allegiance recited.

3. **President's Comment**

3.1 Oak Roots Update

Kathy Guest spoke about the program to promote recycling and green schools. Spoke of new initiatives, a soon to be released green film compilation and cafeteria recycling, along with the child nutrition act bill in the House. Stated she would like to see nutritional information provided for main entrée being served in cafeteria and asked if this can be done.

Jenny Larson, Student Council Co-President at ROHS reminded everyone that Earth Hour is going to be on March 26, 2010. For one hour, everyone should turn off lights. She encouraged district to promote event with posters, announcements, etc.

Mr. Houghton, Principal of Keller Elementary spoke about the "Asthma Free Zone/No Idling Policy at the school. States that program has had a positive influence and that all schools should consider implementing. This initiative came from parent group.

3.2 Royal Oak Foundation for Public Education

Sarah Olson and Pam Shewchuck reported on the Foundation. The Foundation recently held a strategic planning session to determine goal, "community involvement and student engagement". Programs implemented this year, Jump Start music funds and secondary level intramural programs. A scholarship w/OCC backing, for a student in HS and is an at-risk learner to go to college. Announced date for major fundraiser, Golf-outing on June 27, 2011.

3.3 Gifts – Michael Hartman requested item be moved to consent agenda.

Michael Hartman recognized Veterans Day, with a thank you.

4. **Communications** – Mr. Cardamone received the following communications:

- Susan Kaczowski letter lauding Marcie Dryden’s efforts as Interim Principal at Oak Ridge.
- Dave Stafford, third grade teacher at Oak Ridge sharing his class web site.
- Flyer from Kathy Knapp concerning Parents Night Out on November 15th.
- Karina Landis shared photos of middle school artwork.
- Darcie Kayes spoke about Print Shop issues.
- Holly Matthews complimented John Grzywack on his efforts as the new Principal at Upton.

5. **Opportunity for Citizens to Speak**

If you would like to address the Board of Education:

- ❖ Please remain seated and raise your hand.
- ❖ When called on by the Board President, please come to the microphone, and state Name & Address for the record.
- ❖ You will have 3 minutes to address the Board.
Please address the Board as a whole and not individually.
- ❖ When you are finished, please sign the sign-in sheet before you return to your seat.

If you exceed your 3 minutes the Board President will ask you to please finish your comments, if you need more time you are offered a second opportunity to address the Board at the end of the meeting with an additional 3 minutes.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

- Susan Schuldeis – spoke about the International Academy.
- Jim Gardziola – read a letter from his daughter concerning the International Academy.
- Mary Griffin – thanked the board for the International Academy.

6. **Superintendent’s Comments** - Dr. Moline spoke on the following:

- Due to news media being full of bullying commentary, stressed that Royal Oak schools invests considerable time in interactions with students; ex: Challenge Days.
- Listed upcoming events, also listed on website.

7. **Economic/Budget/Audit Update** – John Schwartz spoke on the following:

- RFP’s have gone out to seven search firms for Superintendent position. Bids are due back on November 22nd, recommendation to board at December 9th meeting.
- The last fiscal year is officially closed. New year fast approaching and planning will begin soon.

- Notification came from QSCB (Qualified School Construction Bonds) stating that we were qualified for energy conservation program. A detailed list will be provided on projects included in program. A resolution will be placed on the December 9th agenda to issue bonds.
- State Issues: Educational Jobs Fund, the supplemental school aid bill passed.

8. *Consent Agenda Item Considerations -

Gary Briggs requested the removal of the Extension Agreement (ROESA) and that the 2011-2012 Schools of Choice be added to consent agenda.

Consent Agenda items approved at this time.

9. *Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2010 and Special Meeting of October 28, 2010.

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2010 and Special Meeting of October 28, 2010.

10. *Personnel/Instruction/Business

10.1 Extension Agreements

10.1.1 *Royal Oak Educational Support Association (ROESA)

Mr. Briggs asked for removal of this item from consent agenda.

Moved by: Mrs. Bradford

Seconded by: Mr. Briggs

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approve the Extension Agreement between the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak and the Royal Oak Educational Support Association.

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Hartman	Yes
Mr. Briggs	No
Mr. Cardamone	No
Mrs. Beerer	Yes
Mrs. Bradford	Yes
Mr. Brinker	Yes

Motion Carried: Yes 4 No 2

10.2 *All-day Kindergarten Programming

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the location for the District's All Day Kindergarten classrooms to be located at Keller Elementary School and Oakland Elementary School for the 2011-12 school year.

10.3 *Field Trip Requests

10.3.1 ROHS Model UN National Conference – Ohio

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the request from Royal Oak High School for 30-40 students from Model UN to attend the National Level Model UN Conference in Ashtabula, OH from March 29-March 31, 2011.

10.3.2 ROHS Model UN – Greece & Turkey

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the request from Royal Oak High School for 15-20 students from Model UN to travel to Greece and Turkey as part of an advocacy & volunteer trip from July 1-15, 2012.

10.4 *Royal Oak Youth Assistance

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the recommendation of new members of the School District of the City of Royal Oak to the Royal Oak Youth Assistance Board of Directors of Sandy Cimino, Anne Davies, Dennis Elliott, John Hice, Shannon Hulswit, Shelly Kemp, Kathy Knapp and Sam Lynch.

10.5 *Payment of Expenditures

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby approves expenditures as processed in the amount of \$4,335,476.40 for the period of September 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010.

10.6 *Anonymous donation – ROMS Special Education POHI & Mild/Mod. CI White Team

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby accepts the donation for the use by the Royal Oak Middle School Special Education White Team.

10.7 *2011-2012 Schools of Choice Resolution

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak accepts kindergarten through third grade eligible applicants under Schools of Choice Section 105, on a per building space available basis for the 2011-12 school year. Beginning March 1, 2011 through August 31, 2011 applications will be available on the District website and at the Administrative Building.

11. Board Action and Non-Action Items -

11.1 2011-2012 Schools of Choice Resolution moved to consent agenda.

12. Opportunity for Citizens to Speak - There were none.

13. Board Comments/Liaison Report -

Mrs. Bradford spoke about how much she enjoyed the Band concert.

Mr. Briggs attended recent Kiwanis meeting where the ROHS Model UN did a presentation and was very impressed.

14. Closed Session

14.1. Adjourn to Closed Session – Negotiations Update

Moved by: Mr. Cardamone Seconded by: Mr. Briggs

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak adjourns to a closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiations as is permissible under the Open Meetings Act 15.268, Section 8, subsection (c).

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Hartman	Yes
Mr. Briggs	Yes
Mr. Cardamone	Yes
Mrs. Beerer	Yes
Mrs. Bradford	Yes
Mr. Brinker	Yes

Motion Carried: Unanimously

14.2. The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 8:00 p.m.

14.3. Reconvene – The Board reconvened the Regular meeting at 8:50 p.m.

15. Extension Agreement

15.1 Royal Oak Association of School Administrators (ROASA)

Moved by: Mr. Cardamone Seconded by: Mr. Brinker

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak and the Royal Oak Association of School Administrators have been continuously involved in the collective bargaining process and have reached and signed a Tentative Agreement on November 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Royal Oak Association of School Administrators, on November 2, 2010, voted to ratify the November 1, 2010 Tentative Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Master Agreement shall be effective as of the first day of July 2009 and shall continue in full force and effect until midnight the thirtieth day of June 2013;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the School District of the City Royal Oak hereby ratify the collectively bargained and tentatively agreed upon *Master Agreement between the Royal Oak Association of School Administrators and the Royal Oak Board of Education* effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013.


Roll Call Vote

Mr. Hartman	Yes
Mr. Briggs	Yes
Mr. Cardamone	Yes
Mrs. Beerer	Yes
Mrs. Bradford	Yes
Mr. Brinker	Yes

Motion Carried: Unanimously

16. Adjournment - President Hartman adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Marty Cardamone
Secretary, Board of Education