

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF ROYAL OAK
1123 Lexington Boulevard
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 12, 2009
5:00 P.M.
ANNOTATED
AGENDA

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Adjourn to Closed Session – Student Discipline

Recommendation:

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 a student disciplinary hearing as requested by the parent(s) and permissible under the Open Meetings Act 15.268, Section 8, subsection (b).

3. Reconvene
4. Student Discipline Resolution
5. Adjourn to Closed Session - Negotiations

Recommendation:

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).

6. Reconvene
7. Pledge of Allegiance
8. President’s Comment
 - 8.1 Best of Royal Oak – Royal Oak High School – Cross Country Team
 - 8.2 Gifts
 - 8.2.1 Royal Oak Middle School – Cash Donation

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby accept the donation of funds for the use by the Royal Oak Middle School Special Education White Team.

A donation of \$500 was received from an anonymous donor to be used by the Royal Oak Middle School Special Education White Team. The donation is used to provide extra experiences and activities the students might otherwise not be able to have. The donor has been a silent advocate for the White Team for several years.

8.2.2 Keller Elementary – Keller PTA Donation

Recommendation:

That the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby accepts the donation for the use by Keller Elementary for the purpose of funding the installation of a handicap accessible playground.

A very generous donation of \$1,473.00 has been made by Keller PTA for the Keller Elementary handicapped accessible playground. This donation will help to fund the purchase of a handicapped accessible playground and allow for installation of Phase I of the playground.

8.3 Curriculum/Instruction Update

8.4 Economic/Budget/Audit Update

9. Communications

10. Opportunity for Citizens to Speak

If you would like to address the Board of Education:

Please remain seated and raise your hand. When you are called on by the Board President, please come to the microphone, state your name and 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.

11. Superintendent's Comments

12. *Consent Agenda Item Considerations

13. *Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 21, 2009 and Workshop of October 31, 2009

Recommendation:

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 21, 2009 and the Workshop of October 31, 2009.

14. Personnel/Instruction/Business

14.1 Calendar Recommendation

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak and the Royal Oak Education Association are currently involved in collective bargaining negotiations covering the 2009-2010 school year; and

WHEREAS, those negotiations have not produced an agreement with regard to the 2009-2010 school calendar relative to the period of November 30, 2009 through March 1, 2010; and

WHEREAS, it is now November 12, 2009, and it is now critical for the community, parents, students, and employees of the School District to have a school calendar for the 2009-2010 school year established relative to the period of November 30, 2009 through March 1, 2010;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby adopts the following school calendar for the period of November 30, 2009 through March 1, 2010, and directs members of the bargaining unit represented by the Royal Oak Education Association to report for duty accordingly at their assigned starting times:

November 30, 2009 as the return date to school following the Thanksgiving recess

December 2, 2009 as a 90 minute Professional Development meeting for certified secondary staff with a late start for students

December 8, 2009 as a 90 minute after school Professional Development meeting for certified secondary staff and as a 60 minute before school Professional Development meeting for certified elementary staff

December 21, 2009-January 1, 2010 as the Winter Holiday recess

January 4, 2010 as the return date following the Winter Holiday recess

January 5, 2010 as a 30 minute after school Business meeting for all certified staff

January 12, 2010 as a 90 minute after school Professional Development meeting for certified secondary staff and as a 60 minute before school Professional Development meeting for certified elementary staff

January 18, 2010 as Martin Luther King Day recess

January 27-29, 2010 as High School Exam days

February 1, 2010 as Teacher Records Day; no school for students

February 2, 2010 as a 30 minute after school Business meeting for all certified staff
February 3, 2010 as a 90 minute Professional Development meeting for certified secondary staff with a late start for students
February 4, 2010 as a half-day Professional Development for certified elementary staff with an early release for students
February 9, 2010 as a 90 minute after school Professional Development meeting for certified secondary staff and as a 60 minute before school Professional Development meeting for certified elementary staff
February 18-19, 2010 as February recess
February 22, 2010 as the return date following the February recess

14.2 *Great Start Readiness Program Recommendation

Recommendation:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak approves the Great Start Readiness Program recommendation as presented.

14.3 *Payment of Expenditures

Recommendation:

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 \$4,441,757.95 for the period of August 29, 2009 through September 25, 2009.

Expenses in the amount of \$4,441,757.95 for the period of August 29, 2009 through September 25, 2009 as detailed in the Expenditure Register are presented for approval.

14.4 2009-10 Budget Recommendations

Recommendation:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak hereby approves the 2009-10 budget reductions as presented.

14.5 Community Farm Recommendation

14.6 Resolution in Support of Funding for Education

Recommendation:

Whereas, education is the cornerstone of a successful economic turnaround and investment in education is the key to a new Michigan; and

Whereas, the children of Michigan deserve educational opportunities that allow them to compete on a national and international basis; and

Whereas, it is imperative to combine needed investments in education with meaningful, money-saving reforms in the delivery of educational programs; and

Whereas, the long-term economic health of our state, and opportunity for our citizens is conditioned on meaningful structural reform to provide stable and fair funding for education; and

Whereas, given the crippling effects on our citizens and our educational institutions of continuing short-term, temporary measures and budget impasses over education funding; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak encourages the governor and legislature to immediately find the revenues necessary to reduce the cuts to the education budget to meet their Constitutional responsibility to the children of this state; and

Be it further resolved that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Royal Oak encourages the governor and legislature to look beyond the immediate revenue shortfall and focus on the perennial and structural deficit that plagues school finance in Michigan.

15. Board Action and Non-Action Items
 - 15.1 First Reading - Policy Revision – Section 1000 Administration
16. Opportunity for Citizens to Speak
17. Board Comments/Liaison Report
18. Adjournment

[This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda item “Opportunity for Citizens to Speak.”]