

Rochester School Board
Regular School Board Minutes
August 11, 2016
City Council Chambers

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Members Present:

Mr. Matthew Pappas, Vice-Chair
Mrs. Karen Stokes
Mr. Raymond Turner
Mrs. Amy Malone
Mr. Thomas J. Jean
Mr. Thomas O'Connor
Ms. Julie Brown
Mr. Robert Watson
Mrs. Jennifer Bryant
Mrs. Audrey Stevens

Members Absent:

Mr. Paul Lynch
Ms. Nichole Guptel
Mr. Travis Allen

Also Present:

Mr. Michael Hopkins, Superintendent
Mr. Kyle Repucci, Asst. Superintendent
Ms. Linda Casey, Business Administrator
Attorney Jerome Grossman
Ms. Marilyn Martell
Guests & Public
Press

Mr. Pappas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on a roll call with a quorum present. Members participated in the pledge of allegiance.

Last Minutes Ms. Brown moved, second by Mr. Jean, the Board approve the minutes of the July 14, 2016 Regular School Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

16-17 Calendar Mr. Hopkins explained that language in the new Teacher Contract states that the January Teacher Workshop day should be on the 95th day of school. The RFT Executive Board was in agreement with the date being set to Monday, January 30th (94th day).

Personnel Update Mr. Hopkins reported that Principals are doing a great job filling teacher positions. There will be a Personnel Committee meeting next Thursday, August 18th at 5:45 p.m. There are 37 new teachers slated to participate with New Teacher Orientation next week.

Dean of Students Mr. Hopkins explained that the Dean of Students at the high school is not adding a new position; it is adding duties to a current teacher. This is a trial position, if it proves positive may look at moving forward as a permanent position.

Public Comment

Mr. Daniel Harkinson spoke on the issue of the Dean of Students proposal that will be considered later in the meeting; as the proposed position relates to and may impact an already strained budget. He encouraged the Board to vote against the proposed Dean of Students position; now is not the time to create another new expenditure.

Committee Reports
Building Committee

Outdoor Classroom Mrs. Stevens moved, Ms. Brown second, the Board approve moving forward with the proposed plan as presented for an Outdoor Classroom Project at Maple Street Magnet School; to be grant funded. The motion carried unanimously.

Instruction Committee:

Calendar Amendment Mr. Watson moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, the Board approve the amendment to the 2016-2017 school calendars; changing the Early Release Day from April 5, 2017 to April 12, 2017; to accommodate SAT's at Spaulding High School.

Mr. Watson moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, to amend the motion on the floor to include changing the Teacher Workshop day from January 23, 2017 to January 30, 2017. The motion to amend carried unanimously.

The motion on the floor as amended, carried unanimously.

Personnel Committee:

Social Worker, Title I Mrs. Bryant moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, the Board approve the additional Title I Grant funded Social Worker position. The motion carried unanimously.

Extra-Curricular Mrs. Bryant moved, second by Mrs. Stevens, the Board accept the following Extra-Curricular resignations:

Joseph Devine Varsity Girls Soccer Coach
Jacqueline McKenneySpecial Olympics Coach

The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Bryant moved, second by Ms. Brown, the Board accept the following Extra-Curricular nominations:

Shaundra Lemay Volleyball, MS Coach
Clay Prewitt JV Boys Soccer Coach
Steve Langevin Varsity Girls Soccer Coach
Leah Hart (\$1.00) Volleyball Assistant Coach

The motion carried unanimously.

Job Description The Committee recommend to the Board for first reading the Dean of Students job description

Retirement Mrs. Stevens moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, to recommend the Board accept resignation for retirement purposes of Ann McKearin, Reading Specialist. The motion carried unanimously.

Resignation Mrs. Stevens moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, to recommend the Board accept the resignation of Joanne Riker, Special Education Teacher. The motion carried unanimously.

Nominations Mrs. Stevens moved, second by Ms. Brown, to recommend the Board approve the nomination of Sarah Frazer as Middle School Special Education Coordinator. The motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Stevens moved second by Ms. Brown, to recommend the Board approve the following nominations:

Lorrie Dodson Music Teacher
Michelle Forrestall Science Teacher
Jennifer Loch Fahey Special Education Teacher
Chelsea Weltin English Teacher
Christina Taylor Student Assistance Program Coordinator

The motion carried unanimously.

Special Services Committee:

No action required.

Finance Committee:

Position

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, the Board approve funding for the High School Dean of Students position.

Mr. Watson expressed his opinion to approving a new position; he suggest waiting until the next budget cycle to consider this position. Discussion ensued amongst Board members the budget impact and the positive support this position would provide. Mr. Hopkins explained that the funds for this position would come from the salary line; there has been a great deal of movement with resignations and new hires.

Mrs. Stevens moved, second by Ms. Brown, to refer the motion back to the Personnel Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Stipends

Mr. Pappas moved, second by Mrs. Bryant, the Board approve the following stipends:

Karen Cotreau (\$1,000) Additional Duties with Sp. Ed Teachers
Stephen LeClair (\$5,000) Federal Grant Developer

The motion carried unanimously.

Discipline Committee:

No action required.

Policy Committee:

Second Reading

Mr. O'Connor moved, second by Mr. Watson, to recommend to the Board for second reading and adoption the following policies:

- JECC, Assignment of Students to School
- JECC-1, Assignment of Students to the Magnet School

The motion carried unanimously.

First Reading

The Committee recommends to the Board for first reading the following policies:

- IGJDA, Athletic Rules and Regulations
- IGDJA-1, Co-Curricular Regulations
- BCD, Board-Superintendent Relationship

Committee Reports – Special Committees

No action required.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Other - None

Adjournment

Ms. Brown moved, second by Mrs. Stokes, to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.
The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael L. Hopkins
Board Secretary

Rochester School District 2016-2017 School Year Calendar

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
AUGUST/ SEPTEMBER (22 Days)	TW	30	31	1	2
	5	6	7	8	9
	12	TW	14	15	16
	19	20	ER	22	23
	26	27	28	29	30

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
OCTOBER (20 Days)		3	4	5	6
	10	11	12	13	14
	17	18	ER	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28
	31				

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
NOVEMBER (17 Days)			1	2	3
	7	TW	9	ER	11
	14	15	16	17	18
	21	22	23	24	25
	28	29	30		

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
DECEMBER (16 Days)				1	2
	5	6	7	8	9
	12	13	14	15	16
	19	20	21	22	23
	26	27	28	29	30

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
JANUARY (19 Days)	2	3	4	5	6
	9	10	ER	12	13
	16	17	18	19	20
	TW	24	25	26	27
	30	31			

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
FEBRUARY (18 Days)				1	2
	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28			

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
MARCH (19 Days)				1	2
	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	TW
	27	28	29	30	31

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
APRIL (15 Days)			3	4	5
	10	11	ER	13	14
	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
MAY (22 days)				1	2
	8	9	ER	11	12
	15	16	17	18	19
	22	23	24	25	26
	29	30	31		

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
JUNE (12 Days)					1
	5	6	7	8	9
	12	13	14	15	16
	<i>SD</i>	<i>SD</i>	<i>SD</i>	<i>SD</i>	<i>SD</i>
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TW = Teachers' Workshop

ER - Early Release Day

SD = Makeup Day for Snow

Student Days Out

August 29	Teachers Return - TW
September 5	Labor Day
September 13	Teachers' Workshop
October 10	Columbus Day
November 8	Teachers' Workshop
November 11	Veterans Day
November 23 - 25	Thanksgiving Recess

Dec 23 - Jan 2	Holiday Break
January 16	Martin Luther King Day
January 23	Teachers' Workshop
Feb 27 - Mar 3	Winter Break
March 24	Teachers' Workshop
April 24 - 28	Spring Break
May 29	Memorial Day

Dec 23 - Jan 2	Holiday Break
January 16	Martin Luther King Day
January 23	Teachers' Workshop
Feb 27 - Mar 3	Winter Break
March 24	Teachers' Workshop
April 24 - 28	Spring Break
May 29	Memorial Day

Early Release: September 21; October 19; November 10; January 11; April 12; May 10

180 Instructional Days 5 Teacher Workshop/Parent Conference Days

10 Makeup Days - Snow

Maple Street Magnet School 2016-2017 School Year Calendar

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
AUGUST	TW	9	10	11	12
(17 Days)		15	16	17	18
		22	23	24	25
		29	30	31	

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
SEPTEMBER				1	2
(20 Days)	5	6	7	8	9
	12	TW	14	15	16
	19	20	ER	22	23
	26	27	28	29	30

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
OCTOBER	3	4	5	6	7
(15 Days)	10	11	12	13	14
	17	18	ER	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28
	31				

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
NOVEMBER		1	2	3	4
(17 Days)	7	TW	9	ER	11
	14	15	16	17	18
	21	22	23	24	25
	28	29	30		

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
DECEMBER				1	2
(16 Days)		5	6	7	8
		12	13	14	15
		19	20	21	22
		26	27	28	29
					30

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
JANUARY	2	3	4	5	6
(20 Days)		9	10	ER	12
	16	17	18	19	20
	23	24	25	26	27
	30	31			

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
FEBRUARY				1	2
(18 Days)		6	7	8	9
		13	14	15	16
		20	21	22	23
		27	28		

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
MARCH			1	2	3
(19 Days)		6	7	8	9
		13	14	15	16
		20	21	22	23
		27	28	29	30
					31

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
APRIL		3	4	5	6
(15 Days)		10	11	ER	13
		17	18	19	20
		24	25	26	27
					28

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
MAY		1	2	3	4
(22 Days)		8	9	ER	11
		15	16	17	18
		22	23	24	25
		29	30	31	

	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
JUNE				1	2
(21 Days)		5	6	7	8
		12	13	14	15
		19	20	21	22
		26	27	28	29
					<small>SD/TW</small>

Student Days Out

August 8	Teachers' Workshop	November 23 - 25	Thanksgiving Break
September 5	Labor Day	Dec 23 - Jan 2	Holiday Break
September 13	Teachers' Workshop	January 16	Martin Luther King Day
October 3 - 7	Fall Break	Feb 27 - Mar 3	Vacation Week
October 10	Columbus Day	March 24	Teachers' Workshop
November 8	Teachers' Workshop	April 24 - 28	Vacation Week
November 11	Veterans Day	May 29	Memorial Day

Early Release: September 21; October 19; November 10; January 11; April 12; May 10
 200 Instructional Days 4 Teacher Workshop Days 1 Snow Day/Teacher Workshop Day