

**Rochester School Board
Instruction Committee Minutes
School Department Boardroom #2
November 21, 2019**

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Members Present

Mr. Robert Watson, Chair
Mrs. Amy Malone
Mr. Nathaniel Byrne
Mrs. Anne Grassie
Mrs. Karen Stokes

Members Absent

Mr. Raymond Turner

Also Present

Mr. Kyle Repucci
Dr. Sandie MacDonald
Guests & Public

Mr. Watson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Stokes moved, second by Mrs. Grassie, to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2019 Instruction Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Amended 2020 – 2021 School Calendars

Dr. Sandie MacDonald, Assistant Superintendent, presented the amended 2020-2021 school calendars for review and approval. Veterans Day, November 11 not the 9th; January 29 (mid-year) not the 25th; February 11, early release; March 19, Teacher Workshop.

Mrs. Stokes moved, second by Mrs. Grassie, to recommend the Board approve the 2020-2021 school calendar and the 2020-2021 Maple Street Magnet calendar as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

SHS field trip abroad proposal

Spaulding High School science teachers Rita Ciambra and John Duplinsky presented their proposal for a 2020-2021 study abroad to Baja Mexico, through Ecology Project International. There are two other locations, Costa Rica and Belize that are also options. This trip would include twelve students and two teachers as well as members of the Ecology Project Program. Ms. Ciambra and Mr. Duplinsky will follow up with more specific information in regards to cancellation policies and possible course credit eligibility.

Mrs. Stokes moved, second by Mrs. Malone, to recommend the Board accept the concept of a Science study abroad with more specific information to follow. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Five Year Strategic Plan – No Action Required

Reviewed

Field Trips - No Action Required

Reviewed

Public Comment

None

Other

None

Adjournment

Mrs. Stokes moved, second by Mrs. Malone, to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Mr. Robert Watson, Chair