



MINUTES

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education
Educational Services Committee

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Anne Lee, Chairperson
John Benbow, Jr.
Katie Bielski-Medina
Larry Davis
Sandra Hett
Mary Rayome
John Krings, President

September 5, 2017

LOCATION: Board of Education, 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids WI
Conference Room A/B

TIME: Immediately following the Business Services Committee and Personnel Services
Committee meetings, but not before 6:15 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Davis, Katie Bielski-Medina, Sandra Hett, John
Krings, Anne Lee, Mary Rayome

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: John Benbow

OTHERS PRESENT: Ed Allison, Craig Broeren, Margie Dorshorst, Kirby Ketola, Denise Martell,
Patti Rasmussen, Yvonne Simmet, Steve Smith, Jim Stellmach, Dan
Weigand, Jeremy Wicke

I. Call to Order

Anne Lee called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Actionable Items

A. Parent Representative – Council for Instructional Improvement (CII)

Kathi Stebbins-Hintz, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, explained there were eight parents that inquired about serving as a CII representative, and three that completed applications to serve on the district's CII Committee for a three year rotating term. After reviewing applications, it was recommended that Chrissy Walczak and Emily Stieve be chosen.

ES-1 Motion by Mary Rayome, second by John Krings, to recommend Chrissy Walczak and Emily Stieve to serve as the CII parent representatives during the 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20 school years.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Professional Development Contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH)

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz explained that Math Expressions has been the primary resource for elementary math instruction since 2012. When implemented, HMH provided a half-day professional development for teachers. Math CII Sub-Committee members feel more professional development and support is needed. HMH has created a system of professional development involving two full day seminars and three days of instructional coaching. Because of cost, administration proposes providing the professional development program to teachers at Grove Elementary School, Educator Effectiveness Coaches, Math Interventionists, and the District Math Coordinator. These staff members would then offer the same support to other elementary buildings.

ES-2 Motion by Larry Davis, second by Mary Rayome, to approve the Houghton Mifflin Harcourt professional development system as set out in Attachment A for Grove Elementary School in the amount of \$13,850.00, to be paid for by a combination of Title II and District curriculum funds; to then be followed up by similar services provided in the other seven elementary buildings by district instructional coaches, interventionists, and the Math Coordinator.

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Updates

A. Mead Elementary Charter School Report

Margie Dorshorst, Principal at Mead Elementary Charter School, Denise Martell, Yvonne Simmet and Patti Rasmussen, Governance Committee members, updated the committee on the school's goals for 2017-18 and accomplishments for 2016-17.

B. Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz reviewed the ESSA funds and how dollars will be spent by the District in 2017-18.

C. Professional Development Report

Ms. Stebbins-Hintz reviewed professional development highlights from the 2016-17 school year, as well as plans for the 2017-18 school year.

V. Consent Agenda Items

ES-1 Parent Representative – Council for Instructional Improvement
ES-2 Professional Development Contract with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

VI. Future Agenda Items/Information Requests

Agenda items are determined by the Committee Chair after consultation with appropriate administration depending upon other agenda items, presentation information, and agenda availability.

- Renaissance Learning Contract: Accelerated Math and Reading (October)
- Youth and Course Options (October)
- Wisconsin Student Assessment System Results: 2016-17 (October)
- New Course Proposals - Explanation and Discussion (October)
- Department Course Offerings - Restructuring Proposals (October)
- School and District Report Cards (November)
- New Course Proposals - Decision (November)
- Department Course Offerings - Restructuring Decisions (November)
- Homeless Education Services (December)

Anne Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.