

Beecher Community School District

An organizational meeting of the Beecher Board of Education was held on July 1, 2015 in the Coates Administration Building Board Room, 1020 W. Coldwater Road, Flint, MI 48505 and was called to order at 5:30 PM by Board President, Michele Loper.

Member in attendance were: Joyce Jackson, LaSonya Larry, Michele Loper, Mary Rankins, Marvin Smoot and Oceolar Denson Watson; Reginald Mays was absent.

New Business

A. Call to Order - Mrs. Loper, Board President

The Organizational Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Mrs. Loper, Board President.

B. Selection of Regular Meeting Date, Place and Time

Recommendation for 1st Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

Motioned by Ms. Watson supported by Mr. Smoot to accept the recommendation to have Board meetings on the 1st Wednesday's at the Coates Administration Board Room at 6:00 PM.

Motioned by Mrs. Rankins supported by Ms. Jackson to amend the aforementioned motion to include having the Board meetings on the 1st Wednesday's at 6:00 PM and the Working Committee Meetings on the 3rd Wednesday's at 5:30 PM at the Coates Administration Board Room.

(Mrs. Loper, Mrs. Rankins and Ms. Jackson discussed why the working committee meetings should be stated in the motion; when they are currently being held; how helpful having the working committee meetings on the fourth Wednesday prior to the regular board meeting has been; the time allotted to receive information prior to the regular board meeting; one meeting per month and the understanding it was during the summer break and we would go back to having two meetings; the vote was for one meeting the entire school year and a working committee)

All present voted no on roll call vote (Ms. Jackson, Mr. Smoot, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper; Ms. Larry and Mrs. Rankins voted yes).

Motion denied.

Motioned by Ms. Watson supported by Mr. Smoot to accept the recommendation to have Board meetings on the 1st Wednesday's at the Coates Administration Board Room at 6:00 PM.

(Mr. Mays arrived at 5:48 PM)

Motioned by Ms. Larry supported by Ms. Jackson to amend the aforementioned motion to include having Board meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's at 6:00 PM and the Working Committee Meetings on the 4th Wednesday's at 5:30 PM at the Coates Administration Board Room.

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(Mrs. Loper, Mrs. Rankins, and Ms. Larry discussed one meeting a month being submitted in the Deficit Elimination Plan; it was the board's decision to do that; the whole board can change that decision at any time)

All present voted yes on roll call vote (Mr. Mays, Ms. Larry, Ms. Jackson, and Mrs. Rankins; Mr. Smoot, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper voted no).

Motion carried.

C. Authorization of Signatures

Recommendation to authorize Superintendent or his or her designee to sign checks, legal documents, etc. for the district as appropriately approved by Beecher Board of Education

Motioned by Ms. Larry supported by Mrs. Rankins to authorize the Superintendent or his or her designee to sign checks, legal documents, etc. for the district as appropriately approved by Beecher Board of Education.

All present voted yes on roll call vote (Mr. Mays, Ms. Larry, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Smoot, Mrs. Rankins, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper).

Motion carried.

D. Appointment of Attorneys

Recommendation to retain The Thrun Law Firm, P.C. as attorney for the Beecher Community School District and Dean and Fulkerson for IRS matters.

Motioned by Mrs. Rankins supported by Mr. Smoot to retain the Thrun Law Firm, P.C. as the attorneys for the Beecher Community School District and to attain Dean and Fulkerson attorneys for the Beecher Community School District for IRS matters.

All present voted yes on roll call vote (Mr. Mays, Ms. Larry, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Smoot, Mrs. Rankins, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper).

Motion carried.

E. Appointment of Auditor

Recommendation to retain Lewis & Knopf as the auditor for the Beecher Community School District.

Motioned by Ms. Jackson supported by Mr. Mays to appoint Lewis & Knopf as the auditing firm for the Beecher Community School District.

All present voted yes on roll call vote (Mr. Mays, Ms. Larry, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Smoot, Mrs. Rankins, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper).

Motion carried.

F. Appointment of Depositories for School Funds

Recommendation for depositories for School Funds for the 2015-16 School Year: Chase, Bank of America, Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund-Cadre, and First Merit Bank (formerly known as Citizens Bank).

Motioned by Ms. Jackson supported by Ms. Larry to appoint Chase, Bank of America,

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Michigan School District Liquid Asset Fund-Cadre, and First Merit Bank (formerly known as Citizens Bank) as depositories for school funds for the 2015-2016 school year.

All present voted yes on roll call vote (Mr. Mays, Ms. Larry, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Smoot, Mrs. Rankins, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper).

Motion carried.

G. Terese Knag, Regional Shared-Time Director of Business Services Electronic Transfer Officer Approval

Motioned by Ms. Jackson supported by Mr. Smoot to approve Terese Knag as the Regional Shared-Time Director of Business Services Transfer Officer.

All present voted yes on roll call vote (Mr. Mays, Ms. Larry, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Smoot, Mrs. Rankins, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper).

Motion carried.

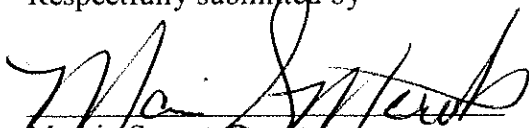
H. Adjournment

Motioned by Ms. Jackson supported by Mr. Smoot to adjourn the organizational board meeting at 6:00 PM.

All present voted yes on roll call vote (Mr. Mays, Ms. Larry, Ms. Jackson, Mr. Smoot, Mrs. Rankins, Ms. Watson, and Mrs. Loper).

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by


Marvin Smoot, Secretary
Beecher Board of Education

8/5/2015
Date Approved

Minutes taken by Terrie A. Seltzer