

BERRIEN REGIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019

A regular meeting of the Berrien Regional Education Service Agency Board of Education was held Monday, April 15, 2019 in Conference Room D of the Administrative Center, 711 St. Joseph Avenue, Berrien Springs, Michigan.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Sharon Kalling at 10:02 a.m.

Board members present:

President: Sharon Kalling
Vice President: Cathy Bair
Treasurer: Linda Holt
Secretary: J. Allene Smith
Trustee: Martha Momany

RESA Staff:

Superintendent: Kevin Ivers
Asst. Superintendent: Eric Hoppstock
Director, Bus. Services: Scott Knoll
Administrative Assistant: Christy Boone

Other RESA staff members present: Karen Heath, Lynda Hurlow, Chris Machiniak, Doug Montey, Cyndi Ursprung

Visitors: David Holt

II. Consent Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Bair and supported by Linda Holt that the Consent Agenda be approved:

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 11, 2019
2. Minutes of Special Meeting of March 20, 2019

B. Special Education

The motion carried unanimously.

III. Communications

A. MASB Standard of Excellence Award Letter – The Berrien RESA Board of Education was recognized for earning the Standard of Excellence Award.

B. MASB President’s Award of Recognition Letter – Berrien RESA Board member, Allene Smith, was recognized for achieving MASB’s highest individual honor, the President’s Award of Recognition.

IV. Old Business - None

V. Reports of Committees

A. MASB - None

B. Berrien/Cass School Boards Association – MASB Awards & School Finance Research Collaborative Study April 24, 2019, 6:00 p.m. Forty-one people have registered so far.

C. Building & Site – None

D. Personnel/Policy – The next Personnel/Policy meeting will be held on April 22, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room.

VI. Reports, Recommendations of the Superintendent and Information Items

A. Reports

1. Activities Calendar - The calendar was reviewed.

B. Recommendations of the Superintendent

1. Possible Employment of Staff

a. Board Authorized Employment (Replacement) – Motion made by Mrs. Momany and supported by Mrs. Bair that the following be employed:

1. Employment of Adaptive PE Teacher – BLC (Replacement) – Karen Mandarino – Agenda Report #1 – that Karen Mandarino be offered a probationary contract for the 2019/2020 school year as an Adaptive PE Teacher in accordance with the Master Agreement and the Policies and Practices of the Board at the salary of \$55,943.

The motion carried unanimously.

b. Superintendent Appointments – There were no Superintendent appointments.

C. Information Items

1. Superintendent’s Self-Evaluation – Dr. Ivers distributed his self-evaluation that aligns with the MASB Superintendent Evaluation Tool.

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2. Board Retreat Agenda – The Board Retreat will be held at the Bistro on the Boulevard, St. Joseph, April 29, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.
3. Local Board Meeting Schedule – Berrien RESA will be meeting with local district board members to discuss the general fund budget.
4. Perkins V ISD Fiscal Agency Cooperative Agreement Certification Statement – Chris Machiniak stated that this agreement is to reauthorize Berrien RESA as the fiscal agent for the region for the new Perkins V Grant.

VII. Financial Matters

A. Routine Bills

A motion was offered by Mrs. Smith and supported by Mrs. Holt that bills in the amount of \$1,528,831.11 be approved:

General Fund:	\$410,646.26
Special Education Fund:	\$1,105,068.07
Food Service Fund:	<u>\$13,298.78</u>
Grand Total:	\$1,528,831.11

The motion carried unanimously.

VIII. New Business

A. General Administration

1. Approval of 2019-2020 Proposed General Fund Operating Budget for Public Hearing – Agenda Report #2

Motion by Mrs. Bair and supported by Mrs. Momany that the Proposed 2019-2020 General Fund Operating Budget with estimated expenditures of \$12,497,430 be hereby adopted for the purposes of Public Hearing to be held prior to July 1, 2019.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of 2019-2020 Proposed Special Education Fund Operating Budget for Public Hearing – Agenda Report #3

Motion by Mrs. Bair and supported by Mrs. Smith that the Proposed 2019-2020 Special Education Fund Operating Budget with estimated expenditures of

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\$41,229,982 be hereby adopted for the purposes of Public Hearing to be held prior to July 1, 2019.

The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of 2019-2020 Proposed Galien Township School Budget for Public Hearing – Agenda Report #4

Motion by Mrs. Holt and supported by Mrs. Momany that the Proposed 2019-2020 Galien Township School District Operating Budget with estimated expenditures of \$18,250 be hereby adopted for the purposes of Public Hearing to be held prior to July 1, 2019.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Setting Public Hearing for Proposed General Fund and Special Education Fund Operating Budgets for 2019-2020 – Agenda Report #5

Motion by Mrs. Bair and supported by Mrs. Smith that a hearing on the proposed budgets for 2019/2020 for both General Fund and Special Education Fund be held on June 10, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Berrien Regional Education Service Agency Administration Center, 711 St. Joseph Avenue, Berrien Springs, Michigan, and that the regular Board meeting scheduled for 10:00 a.m. take place immediately following the Budget Hearing.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Setting Public Hearing for Proposed Galien Township School District Budget for 2019-2020 – Agenda Report #6

Motion by Mrs. Bair and supported by Mrs. Smith that a hearing on the proposed budget for 2019/2020 be held on June 12, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Berrien Regional Education Service Agency Administration Center, 711 St. Joseph Avenue, Berrien Springs, Michigan, and that the regular Board meeting take place immediately following the Budget Hearing.

The motion carried unanimously

- B. Special Education – Eric Hoppstock noted that Berrien RESA, Lighthouse Education Center and Blossomland Learning Center received Bronze recognition for the implementation of the PBIS program.

IX. Hearing of Citizens Present

Mrs. Bair informed the Board that Lynn Hayes, a former Berrien RESA board member, passed away on March 6, 2019. Mrs. Kalling stated that she appreciated Lynn being a part of the Berrien RESA Board of Education.

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Chris Machiniak stated that the CTE awards will be held on May 2nd at the Mendel Center, 6:00 p.m.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business and no objection to adjournment, the meeting was adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

J. Allene Smith, Secretary