

EATON RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 27, 2010

DRAFT MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Eaton Raids Public Schools of Eaton and Ingham Counties was held at the Greyhound Central 915 S. Greyhound Drive, Eaton Rapids, Michigan on October 27, 2010.

Members Present: Jeff Allison, Jon Althouse, Theresa Platte, Brian Ross, Gary Wichman and Carolyn Wyckoff.

Others Present: Bill DeFrance, Collin Smith, Laura Lezotte, and Brenda Stohr.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Allison at 7:00 p.m.

Audience Recognition – No one addressed the Board.

Approval of Agenda

Member Althouse moved that the agenda be approved as presented. Member Ross seconded the motion. President Allison requested that the agenda be amended to remove *Student Travel Request* from the Consent Agenda and moved to the Regular Agenda. Member Althouse seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes – November 13, 2010 (open and closed session)
2. ~~The Board approves high school choir students traveling to New York City from April 6-9, 2011.~~

The amended consent agenda was unanimously approved.

Reports

Superintendent's Report was given by Bill DeFrance.
Curriculum Committee Report was given by Jon Althouse and Carolyn Wyckoff.
Policy Committee was given by Theresa Platte.

Student Travel Request

The Board discussed the request for students traveling to New York in April 2011. President Allison requested that that approval of this trip be tabled until a recommendation is received from the building principal. Member Althouse seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Approval – Proposed Change at Eaton Rapids Middle School

Member Brinson moved that the Board of Education approve the proposed change to Article 8 section A-1-4 as follows: For the start of the 2010-2011 school year, due to the inclusion of sustained silent reading, grades 7-9 will have a minimum of 50 minutes planning time per full student attendance day. Member Althouse seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion passed with a 6:1 vote. Yes: Allison, Althouse, Brinson, Platte, Ross, Wichman. No: Wyckoff.

Superintendent DeFrance gave an update on the New Tech High School Agreement.

Collin Smith gave an update on how the State of Michigan is allocating federal money to school districts.

Discussion – Bus Driver Contract Update

Administration gave an update on bus driver negotiations.

Audience Recognition – No one addressed the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

