

**BATTLE CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Regular Board Meeting**

**February 4, 2019**

**Fire Place Room of the Administration Building, 3 West Van Buren, Battle Creek, MI**

**5:30 p.m.**

**PRESENT – BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Karen Evans  
Catherine LaValley  
Kyra Wallace  
Patty Poole-Gray  
Jacqueline Slaby (remotely)  
Art McClenney  
Charlie Fulbright

**Present – Administration**

Chandra Youngblood – Director, Elementary Education  
Laura Ash – Executive Director, Business Operations  
Monique Cheeks – Director, Student Services  
Heather Hudson – Executive Director, Human Resources  
Chad Osborn – Director, Facilities & Technology  
Mitch Fowler – Director, School Data Systems & Innovations  
Anita Harvey – Director, District Transformation  
Deborah Nuzzi – Director, Secondary Education  
Nathan Hunt – Communications Manager

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Evans at 5:30 p.m. All board members present with Jacqueline Slaby attending remotely.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Catherine LaValley made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Kyra Wallace supported the motion.

**Roll Call:**

Slaby – yes  
McClenney – yes  
Fulbright – yes  
Evans – yes  
LaValley – yes  
Kyra Wallace – yes  
Poole-Gray - yes

**Motion passed 7– 0**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Casey Bess – concern for incident at BCCHS

Loren Granger – concern for incident at BCCHS

## **ARTIST OF THE MONTH**

Abby Arndt, 9<sup>th</sup> grade, Battle Creek Central High School.

## **REPORTS**

Dr. Anita Harvey reported on the Leading for Equity Institute training scheduled for February 28 - March 2, 2019 in Illinois. Leading for Equity Training teaches principles and core values to lead with equity.

## **CONSENT AGENDA ITEM**

Patty Poole-Gray made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items:

- A. Minutes from December 10 Work Session and December 17 Regular Meeting;
- B. Bills for the Month of December 2018
- C. Personnel Changes and Recognition of Retirees
- D. Membership Report
- E. Financial Update

Catherine LaValley supported the motion

### Roll Call:

Slaby – yes

Fulbright – yes

Evans – yes

LaValley – yes

Kyra Wallace – yes

Poole-Gray - yes

(McClenney left the meeting 6:05)

**Motion passed 6– 0**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Catherine LaValley made a motion to approve Grand Valley State STEM Partnership for the amount of \$39,400 paid by MDE grant funds.

Kyra Wallace supported the motion.

### Roll Call:

Slaby – yes

Fulbright – yes

Evans – yes

LaValley – yes

Kyra Wallace – yes

Poole-Gray - yes

**Motion passed 6 – 0**

- B. Catherine LaValley made a motion to approve the Curriculum and Assessment Review Vendor for the amount of \$38,898 paid by WKKF funds.

Kyra Wallace supported the motion.

Roll Call:

Slaby – yes

Fulbright – yes

Evans – yes

LaValley – yes

Kyra Wallace – yes

Poole-Gray - yes

**Motion passed 6 – 0**

- C. Catherine LaValley made a motion to approve the CASMBA Award nomination for Jorge Zeballos.

Jacqueline Slaby supported the motion.

Roll Call:

Slaby – yes

Fulbright – yes

Evans – yes

LaValley – yes

Kyra Wallace – yes

Poole-Gray - yes

**Motion passed 6 – 0**

**SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Thank you to the volunteers for serving lunch to students and parents, congratulations to the WK Prep graduates and to the staff. Superintendent Carter read a prepared statement addressing incident at the High School.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Catherine LaValley – attended the WKK Prep graduation, save the date February 23 for the Soul Food and Black Arts Dinner hosted by the NHS, thank you to all involved in the dinner served to students and parents. Thanks for the update regarding activities at the High School

Karen Evans – Expressed appreciation to all for the Board Member appreciation activities.

Kyra Wallace – thank you for the dinner served to parents and students, invitation to Sit In event February 12 and February 26 at Clara's.

Patty Poole-Gray – thank you for the dinner served to parents and students, attended WKK Prep graduation and Soul Food Dinner a Washington Heights Church where many of our students attended.

Charlie Fulbright – attended WK Prep graduation, enjoyed staff video and had the opportunity to attend his first Board course.

Jackie Slaby – announced training on fair housing issues held February 5 and 12 at Willard Library

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Submitted by Kay Smith

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*Kyra Wallace, Board Secretary*