

**BATTLE CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Special Meeting**

**November 20, 2021**

**Board Room at the Administration Building, 3 West Van Buren Street, Battle Creek, MI**

**9:00 a.m.**

**PRESENT – BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Catherine LaValley

Kyra Wallace

Patty Poole-Gray

Charlie Fulbright

Jacqueline Slaby

Art McClenney

Absent

Nathan Grajek

**Present – Administration**

Kim Carter – Superintendent

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by President LaValley at 9:12 a.m. Catherine LaValley, Kyra Wallace, Patty Poole-Gray, Charlie Fulbright, Jacqueline Slaby and Art McClenney were present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Vice President Kyra Wallace to approve the Agenda as presented.

Treasurer Charlie Fulbright supported the Motion.

**Motion passed 6 – 0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

President Catherine LaValley said today's Retreat is an open conversation and Board Trustees do not need to ask for permission to talk.

President LaValley read our Mission Statement aloud.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **Board Self-Evaluation**

Dr. Rod Green from the MASB facilitated the Board Self-Evaluation and the results from the online survey Board Members completed. Six of our seven Board Members completed the survey.

The survey covered 7 topics:

- Leadership
- Academic Performance/Accountability
- Board Responsibilities
- Board Effectiveness
- Data-Driven Decision-Making
- Board-Superintendent Relations
- Community Engagement/Advocacy

## **SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

Superintendent Kim Carter thanked Dr. Green for his continued support and work with the Board and noted we are growing with his support.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Trustee Art McClenney commented this was a productive meeting. He feels we accomplished some things today and can continue moving forward.

Treasurer Charlie Fulbright commented he hopes that Vice President Kyra Wallace, Secretary Patty Poole-Gray and Trustee Art McClenney will consider renewing their terms next year.

President Catherine LaValley closed by sharing a bit of wisdom from blogspot.com – “Listen more than you talk, you already know everything you’ve got to say”.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

President LaValley adjourned the meeting at 12:06 p.m.

Submitted by  
Patti Worden

Patty Poole-Gray  
Board Secretary