

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES – BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REDFORD UNION SCHOOLS, DISTRICT NO. 1  
March 19, 2024

A Special Board Meeting was held on March 19, 2024, at MacGowan (District Meeting Room) 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240.

Special Meeting  
3/19/2024

**Call to Order:**

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President Pridemore called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

**Roll Call**

**Roll Call**

Present: Bailey, Martin (Late 5:36 PM), Miller, Moores, Osowski, and Pridemore

Absent: Dean

**President Remarks:**

**President's Remarks**

President Pridemore welcomed everyone and asked that everyone please place their cell phones on silent.

**Adoption of Agenda:**

**Adoption of  
Agenda as Amended**

It was moved by Member Osowski, seconded by Member Moores, to adopt the Agenda of March 19, 2024, Special Meeting as presented.

A second motion was brought forth by Trustee Bailey to amend the Agenda to include a presentation by Mrs. Betsy McRae, who is the District's Representative on the Redford Township Library Board.

Member Osowski and Member Moores agreed with the motion to amend the agenda.

Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Amended Agenda - Carried

**Call to the Audience for Public Participation Regarding Agenda Items:**

None.

**Call to the Audience:  
Public Participation  
Regarding Agenda Items**

**Communications Received by the Board Secretary:**

None.

**Communications  
Received by the Board  
Secretary****Presentation:**

Mrs. Betsy McRae is the Redford Union Schools' Board Appointed Representative on the Redford Township District Library Board. She is also the Treasurer on the Library Board. Ms. McRae shared some background about herself and her family. She spoke about the Friends of Beech Elementary and their upcoming fundraiser. As of today, they have raised over \$30,000 for books and next month she will be doing another fundraiser and will continue to raise money for the district for books.

Mrs. McRae spoke about the construction work that is going on at the library and that the opening would be August 24, 2024, or August 25, 2024. She spoke about everything the library has to offer to students and families. She stressed that every student and their family members need to have a library card. The Board was invited to attend the Fundraiser on April 18, 2024, and the cost is \$20. Students 16 years of age and older can work an election. They would be trained and would be paid. They would be able to list it as community service and experience on their resumes for work and college.

There were questions and answers.

The Board asked that she return and present quarterly. The Board thanked Ms. McRae.

**Presentation****Action Items:**

Special Consideration Non-Consent Agenda Action Item(s):

**Redford Union School District 2021 Bond Projects, Beech Bus Loop Bid Pack #9:**

It was Moved by Member Martin, Seconded by Member Osowski, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Michael Beltinck, Chief Financial Officer, and Jasen Witt, Superintendent, and the Redford Union School's Bond Team approve the firms listed in The Christman Company Award Recommendation letter dated March 12, 2024, for contract award as the lowest responsible bidder for the Redford Union School District 2021 Bond Projects, Beech Bus Loop.

This award recommendation includes the following:

Hard Construction:	\$218,890.00
Alternates Accepted	\$ 54,500.00

**Action Items****Redford Union School  
District 2021 Bond  
Projects, Beech Bus  
Loop Bid Pack #9**

General Requirements	\$ 50,000.00
GLI (.75%)	\$ 2,425.00
CM Contingency (3%)	\$ 8,202.00
CM Fee (2.25%)	\$ 7,515.00
<u>Bond Amounts (.78%)</u>	<u>\$ 2,605.00</u>
Total Fee for GMP Amendment #9:	\$344,137.00

This amount will be paid for from the District's 2021 Capital Bond Project funds.

There were questions and answers.

The discussion ensued. The Board expressed their concerns about safety. The team will go back to the drawing board and bring this motion back to the Board next month. Kim Crenshaw, Executive Director of Curriculum and Facilities will try to produce a map of the site and send it to the Board members then they can walk the site.

Roll Call:

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: ABS, L. Martin: No, L. Miller: Yes, T. Moores: No, J. Osowski: No, E. Pridemore: No Yes: 2 No: 4 Motion: Failed

#### **Redford Union School District 2021 Bond Projects, Old School House Interior Renovation Bid Pack #10:**

Moved by Member Martin, Seconded by Member Bailey, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Michael Beltinck, Chief Financial Officer, and Jasen Witt, Superintendent, and the Redford Union School's Bond Team approve the firms listed in The Christman Company Award Recommendation letter dated March 12, 2024, for contract award as the lowest responsible bidder for the Redford Union School District 2021 Bond Projects, Old School House Interior Renovation.

This award recommendation includes the following:

Hard Construction:	\$533,806.00
Allowance (Steel Alternate)	\$ 50,900.00
General Requirements	\$ 40,500.00
GLI (.75%)	\$ 4,689.00
CM Contingency (3%)	\$ 17,541.00
CM Fee (2.25%)	\$ 14,567.00
<u>Bond Amounts (.78%)</u>	<u>\$ 5,050.00</u>
Total Fee for GMP Amendment #10:	\$667,053.00

This amount will be paid for from the District's 2021 Capital Bond Project funds

There were questions and answers.

#### **Redford Union School District 2021 Bond Projects, Old School House Interior Renovation Bid Pack #10**

The Board asked for the cost of the cupola and ramp. The Team did not have the amount at that time, but they would get that information to the Board.

The plan for the Old Schoolhouse is to make it a usable functional space.

Roll Call:

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: ABS, L. Martin: Yes, L. Miller: Yes, T. Moores: Yes,  
J. Osowski: Abstained, E. Pridemore: Yes Yes: 5 No: 0 Motion: Carried

**Redford Union School District 2021 Bond Projects, Secondary Campus Furniture Procurement:**

**Redford Union School District 2021 Bond Projects, Secondary Campus Furniture Procurement**

Moved by Member Martin, Seconded by Member Moores, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Michael Beltinck, Chief Financial Officer, and Jasen Witt, Superintendent, and the Redford Union School’s Bond Team approve Dew-El Learning Environment Specialists as the selected supplier for the Secondary Campus furniture. This order is within the budget allowance for furniture as part of the overall 2021 Bond Program. Upon completion and review of the proposal from Dew-El, the Project Team is recommending a Not-To-Exceed amount of \$1,242,766.00 to ensure delivery and installation for the 2024-25 school year.

This award recommendation includes the following:

Secondary Campus Building – Dew-El Proposal:	\$1,156,061.00
Project Contingency (7.5%):	\$ 86,705 .00
Total Award Recommendation:	\$1,242,766.00

Additionally, the funding sources for this particular recommended purchase will be a combination of 2021 Capital Bond Project funds and Food Service Fund funds, as permissible.

There were questions and answers.

Trustee Bailey requested picture(s) of the drains.

Roll Call:

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: ABS, L. Martin: Yes, L. Miller: Yes, T. Moores: Yes,  
J. Osowski: Yes, E. Pridemore: Yes Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

**2023/2024 Mid-Year Budget:**

**2023/2024 Mid-Year Budget**

Moved by Member Bailey, Seconded by Member Osowski, that the Board of Education, at the recommendation of Michael Beltinck, Chief Financial Officer and Jasen Witt, Superintendent, approve the 2023/2024 Mid-Year Budget as presented.

Roll Call:

J. Bailey: Yes, L. Dean: ABS, L. Martin: Yes, L. Miller: Yes, T. Moores: Yes,  
J. Osowski: Yes, E. Pridemore: Yes Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

**Call To The Audience: Public Participation Regarding Non-Agenda Items:**

None.

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Regarding Non-Agenda  
Items**

**Board Of Education Communication/Discussion:**

None.

**Board Of Education  
Communication/  
Discussion**

**Future Meeting Dates (scheduled at this time):**

**Future Meeting Dates**

Tuesday, March 19, 2024, Board Workshop – (Immediately Following the Special Meeting)  
MacGowan School (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240,  
(Door #3)

Monday, April 8, 2024, Regular Meeting – 5:30 PM  
MacGowan School (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240,  
(Door #3)

Tuesday, April 23, 2024, Board Workshop – 5:30 PM  
MacGowan School (District Meeting Room), 18255 Kinloch, Redford Twp., MI 48240,  
(Door #3)

**Adjournment:**

**Adjournment**

It was Moved By Member Osowski, Seconded By Member Moores to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 PM.

Yes: 6 No: 0 Motion: Carried

Respectfully Submitted

Lorna Dean  
Secretary  
Redford Union Schools  
Board of Education