

**Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting for
The School District of the City of River Rouge, Wayne County, Michigan
Held at the River Rouge High School, LGI Room, River Rouge, Michigan
Wednesday, July 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

1-3 – CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Valveta Reese, President, with invocation by Mitchell Doig, Secretary.

Members Present: Doig, Hightower, Green, Reese, Sabuda, Wheeler
Members Excused: Cooper
Member Absent:

4 – CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023

Motion moved by Member Sabuda, seconded by Member Green, that the Board of Education approved the minutes of Wednesday, June 21, 2023.

Yeas: Members: Doig, Hightower, Green, Reese, Sabuda, Wheeler
Nays: Members: None

Motion carried.

REJECTION OF EMPLOYMENT

Motion moved by Member Reese, seconded by Member Doig, that the Board of Education accepted the letters of rejection of employment from Candace Watkins (Elementary Teacher, Ann Visger) and Noni Makun (Elementary Teacher, Ann Visger).

Yeas: Members: Hightower, Green, Reese, Sabuda, Wheeler, Doig
Nays: Members: None

Motion carried.

2023 AMBASSADORS

Motion moved by Member Green, seconded by Member Wheeler, that the Board of Education approved the employment of the following individuals to represent the River Rouge School District as Ambassadors for 2023. The pay rate will range from \$17.00 to \$18.00 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours per week, unless approved by the Superintendent.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Parnell Alford	Keith Day Jr.
Micah Black	Cheryl Fowler
Jasmine Bracey	Chester Franklin
Dylan Brown	Jason Granberry

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Jaylen Brown	Jessica Green
Melinda Buchanan	Jon Holly
Meracruz Carbajal	Farrah Jackson
Yahir Carbajal-Lopez	Keith Jackson Sr.
Joseph Carr	Merary Parada
Artisa Coleman	Stephanie Perry
Mikya Coleman	Paris Reese
Tamia Coleman	Belinda Smiley
Lance Collins	Stevon Watkins
Jerry Cross	Felicia Winters
Oreyanna Curry	Merary Parada
Jay Jaroski	Eric Lilly
Xochilt Meza Reynoso	Bruce Toney
Reggie Pearson Sr.	Caron Hudspeth
Antonio Ragland	Brandon Tillery
Toni Robertson	Reneta Williams

Yeas: Members: Green, Reese, Sabuda, Wheeler, Doig, Hightower
Nays: Members: None

Motion carried.

LETTER OF RETIREMENT

Motion moved by Member Doig, seconded by Member Sabuda, that the Board of Education accepted the letter of retirement from Ms. Nadine Hayes, Accounts Payable, effective Friday, July 7, 2023 with best wishes.

Comments were made by Dr. Coleman

Yeas: Members: Reese, Sabuda, Wheeler, Doig, Hightower, Green
Nays: Members: None

Motion carried.

LETTER OF RETIREMENT

Motion moved by Member Green, seconded by Member Hightower, that the Board of Education accepted the letter of retirement from Mrs. Judith Beaudrie, Teacher, effective Monday, January 8, 2024 with best wishes.

Comments were made by Dr. Coleman

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Nays: Members: None

Motion carried.

ANNUAL BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

Motion moved by Member Hightower, seconded by Member Sabuda, that the Board of Education approved the following annual business partnerships for the 2023-2024 school year.

<u>NAME OF BUSINESS/PERSONNEL</u>	<u>TYPE OF SERVICE</u>
Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummiskey	Legal Counsel
Thrun Law Firm	Legal Counsel
Secrest, Wardle, Lynch, Hampton, Truex & Morley, PC	Legal Counsel
Mark Pruneau, Darryl Tuppins or Andra Major	Posting of Meetings
Fifth Third Bank	Depository/Investment/Banking
PFM Asset Management, LLC (MILAF)	Depository/Investment/Banking
PNC Bank	Depository/Investment/Banking
Flagstar Bank	Investment/Banking
Huntington National Bank	Investment/Banking
Merrill Lynch	Investment/Banking
Morgan Stanley Smith Barney	Investment/Banking
U.S. Bank Corp Trust	Investments/Banking
The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Co.	Investment/Banking
Yeo & Yeo CPAs & Business Consultants	Auditors

Yeas: Members: Wheeler, Doig, Hightower, Green, Reese, Sabuda
Nays: Members: None

Motion carried.

5 – INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Ms. Garylle Smith introduced herself to the Board of Education and Administration. She has accepted the position of Accounts Payable Clerk, for the River Rouge School District and will be on the next board bulletin for board approval.

6 – COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Doig shared the flyer with the board regarding the commitment event for Nick Marsh on Friday, July 7, 2023.

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7 – SUPERINTENDENT AND ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORTS

I. Mirza, Director of Business & Finance

- Grant and finalization of expenditure reports for 2022-2023
- MSBO membership payouts
- Training for Ms. Smith, Accounts Payable

N. German, Curriculum Director

- District School Improvement Plan
- Receipt of 21H funds (\$100,000.00)
- Receipt of United Way Partnership funds (\$150,000.00)
- Professional Development Plan will be shared at next Curriculum Meeting

A. Berry-Brown, Deputy Superintendent

- Summer School has begun
- Community swimming & walking are being coordinated

Dr. D. Coleman, Superintendent

- Functions to open the new school year re underway

8 - COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS

V. Reese – Finance Committee

- Meetings will be on the 2nd Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

J. Wheeler – Buildings & Grounds Committee

- Finalization of gym and Ann Visger updates

C. Green – Athletics Committee

- Meetings are the 1st Thursday at 12:50 p.m.
- Dead week for football
- Summer league basketball
- Reminded the board of the commitment event for Nick Marsh

V. Reese – Food Service Committee

- Will get with the manager to get further information
- Comments were given by Dr. Coleman regarding food service

Question by a board member regarding what happened with the Corporate & Community Affairs Committee? The board did not reinstate the committee in January. It was requested to re-establish the committee.

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Corporate & Community Affairs Committee members are V. Reese, M. Doig and K. Sabuda. The committee will meet the 3rd Monday at 3:00 p.m.

9 - COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE AND ADMINISTRATORS

There were no comments from the audience.

10 - ADJOURNMENT

There were no objections the meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mitchell Doig, Secretary
River Rouge Board of Education
MD:ap