SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES - Proposed
BOARD OF EDUCATION
HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
5780 West Holt Road, Holt, MI 48842
Monday, April 15, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER – QUORUM
President Mark Perry called the Special Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 5:07 p.m. on April 15, 2019, at 5780 W. Holt Road, Holt, Michigan.

Present: Mark Perry, Laura Colligan (via phone), Julie Bureau, Robert Halgren, Amy Dalton, Ben Bakken, Jennifer Robel, Dr. David Hornak, Superintendent, Student Representative Adele Colson

Absent: Isabel Abdouch

Central Office Staff present: Kevin Badge, Jessica Cotter, Kim Cosgrove, Maggie Doolittle, Kevin Galbraith, Rick Brown

Others in attendance who signed in: Sally Hock-Harrison, Charlie Harrison, Chris Billingslea

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment

4. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – work session
   4.1. Technology Infrastructure Review: Kevin Galbraith presented documentation showing current status of device to student ratios, timeline for purchasing, upcoming projects. Device to student ratio has reached 1-to-2 in all buildings. Project to replace video software program and needed/broken cameras. Perry asked to clarify that the $100,000 covers all buildings and why wait? Needing the time/access to allow for such a project and also to let other systems mature. Bakken asked about the funding from program and cameras. Galbraith clarified that $100,000 covers the program for all building and the $50,000 covers the replacement/addition of cameras.

   4.2. Hi-Tec Discussion: Rick Brown lead the discussion around renewal of the Hi-Tec contract for one more year. Hi-Tec is struggling to keep employees and they are going to neighboring districts that pay higher – proposing a $0.50 rate increase. Kim Cosgrove added that Brown has implemented systems to ensure that the low performing employees have corrected their work and hours to be most efficient. However, each building still needs more work – proposing adding a half hour to each Hi-Tec employee’s schedule (making them 8 hours/day).

   4.3. Discussion of The Reading Now Network: Dr. Hornak presented resolution for The Reading Now Network. Dalton expressed concern around the relationships that it will create, focusing on higher test scores instead of best practices. Colligan spoke regarding her involvement in the program through the Ingham ISD and that the intentions are not to take away from class/curriculum time but to provide support for what we are doing and ensuring that the things being done are beneficial.


6. ADJOURNMENT
The motion was made by Bakken and seconded by Halgren to adjourn the Special meeting of April 15, 2019. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Bureau, Secretary
Holt Public Schools Board of Education