

January 14, 2019

**MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF SOUTH LYON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
DISTRICT #63-240 COUNTIES OF
OAKLAND, LIVINGSTON AND WASHTENAW
HELD AT CITY & SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

CALL TO ORDER

President Clark called the January 14, 2019 study session to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Anthony Abbate, Randy Clark, Craig Dashner, Margaret Fallow, Carrie Hanshaw, Eric Kennedy, Jennifer Urtel

Absent: None

Administration Present: Melissa Baker, Superintendent
Lisa Kudwa, Assistant Superintendent
Kelley Engblom, Curriculum Coordinator

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Clark offered an opportunity for public comments. There were no comments.

READ BY GRADE 3 LAW AND OUR EARLY LITERACY RESPONSE PRESENTATION

Lisa Kudwa, Assistant Superintendent for CITA Services, introduced the presenter, Kelley Engblom, Curriculum Coordinator for English Language Arts.

Mrs. Engblom explained Michigan's Read by Grade 3 legislation and the intent behind the legislation, along with giving an overview of Michigan, Oakland County and South Lyon's current level of grade 3 reading proficiency.

The retention component of the law was discussed at length. Additionally, Mrs. Engblom and Mrs. Kudwa detailed each requirement of the law and the response from South Lyon Community Schools which includes extensive professional development for elementary staff, an adjustment of which assessments our students take in grades K-5 to include the MAP Growth assessment from NWEA, literacy interventions provided by classroom teachers and in some cases by Reading Recovery staff, literacy instructional coaching at each elementary school, and the development of individualized reading improvement plans for students identified as being at risk for not meeting grade level benchmarks. It was noted that although the legislation requires reading plans through third grade, our district develops plans for students in grades 4 and 5 as needed.

The Board of Education was provided with a copy of the Michigan Department of Education's flow chart regarding student retention, a copy of the district's literacy framework, a copy of the district's family read at home plan, and a copy of General Education Leadership Network Essential Literacy practices documents for grades K-3 and grades 4-5.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Clark offered a second opportunity for public comments. The following individual addressed the Board.

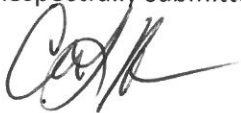
- *Lisa Welch* spoke to the Board regarding parent literacy information that is available on the Huron Valley website. She also addressed the time commitment that is involved with teaching Literacy.

ADJOURN

Moved by Mr. Dashner, supported by Ms. Fallow to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Ayes – 7, Nays - 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Hanshaw', with a long, sweeping underline.

Carrie L. Hanshaw,
Secretary