

**MINUTES OF A  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF  
DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #230**

**Held in the Dwight Township High School Cafeteria  
On May 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**

Board President Tim Henson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT: Kevin Berta; Joel Sandeno; Tim Henson; Eric Scheuer; Max Sulzberger; Paul Warner**

**ABSENT: None**

**Also in attendance: Dr. Richard Jancek, Superintendent; Jill Haacke, Acting-Secretary; Andy Pittenger, Principal; Cathy Ferguson, AD (Entered at 7:35PM)**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mary Schultz voiced her concern about the new procedure for all Senior Night athletic events going forward.

Isabelle Schultz, a senior softball player, also noted on how they have not gotten much of a season and taking away the ability for her parents to walk her onto the field for senior night is emotional.

Softball coach, Chuck Trainor, is also concerned about the inability for parents to walk their senior athletes on the field. He requests the board to look into the tradition and reevaluate starting in the fall. He also thanked the board for allowing him to coach the softball team and thanked Athletic Director Ferguson on all of her hard work this year.

Dr. Jancek shared with the Board and community members in attendance that a decision was made to eliminate parent escorts for Senior Night athletic events going forward. He noted that not all families are the typical 'traditional' family, some parents have shown up late or intoxicated and this only hurts the student. He emphasized that the event should recognize and celebrate senior athletes.

Board members made the decision to keep the traditional Senior Night for the remainder of this school year and get a recommendation from Athletic Director Ferguson for the 2022 school year.

**REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. Pittenger's report is as submitted.

AD Ferguson's report is as submitted. Berta inquired on the press box for the football field.

Dr. Jancek thanked Administrative Assistant Jill Haacke for all her work getting the Administrative Procedures edited and approved by IASB. They will be implemented on June 1, 2021.

He also noted that schools will be entering the bridge stage soon and would allow for indoor capacity to go up to 60%. Graduation will continue as planned by the administration.

Dr. Jancek presented the quotes for the potential maintenance shed. He stated the next steps would be to submit the grant application with the quotes by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Dr. Jancek reported that the state owes the district \$5,418.32 in late mandated categorical payments for the 2020-2021 school year.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Items for consideration on this month's Consent Agenda are as follows:

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Bills
- 3) Accept Resignation, Dr. Lindsey Jensen, Teacher
- 4) Accept Resignation, Luke Standiford, Boys Freshmen Basketball Coach
- 5) Accept Resignation, Kathy Stewart, Fall & Spring Drama Coach
- 6) Accept Resignation, Clark Reamer, Assistant Scholastic Bowl Coach

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Scheuer, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Dr. Jancek informed the board that after discussion with administration, he would recommend all students back in the building with the school day ending at 2:10PM on Monday's and 3:10PM for the rest of the week. If a student has a doctor's note, they will be allowed to learn from home on APEX learning with weekly teacher check-ins.

Moved by Warner, seconded by Berta, to approve the learning platform for the 2022 School Year as presented by Dr. Jancek. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carries.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Moved by Berta, seconded by Sandeno, to approve the employment of Eric Englert as an English Teacher beginning the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Scheuer, to approve employment of Extra-Curricular Personnel for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented. Roll call. Warner, abstain; Berta, aye; Sandeno, aye; Scheuer, aye; Sulzberger, aye; Henson, aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the following list of Support Staff for re-employment:

1. **Paraprofessionals**
  - a. Allie Schantz
  - b. Tiffany Gamble
  - c. Alicia Horrie

- d. Katie Crouch
  - e. Kathleen Gettinger
  - f. Corilyn Hensel-McCullough
- 2. **Maintenance**
  - a. Brian Berta
  - b. Jack Connor
- 3. **Custodians**
  - a. Mike Cherveney
  - b. Bruce Moody
  - c. Terry Sarff
  - d. Ruben Diaz
- 4. **Main Office**
  - a. Cathy Ferguson
  - b. Chad Miller
  - c. Anna Oelschlager
- 5. **District Office**
  - a. Debbie Conroy
  - b. Jill Haacke
  - c. Angela Hilt
  - d. Coreen Perschnick
- 6. **Technology**
  - a. Demetrius Skrapates
- 7. **Transportation**
  - a. Beth Bland
  - b. Tiffany Gamble
  - c. Kathleen Gettinger
  - d. Angie Goley
  - e. Melinda Gutzman
  - f. Barb Hyatt
  - g. Diane Kinnamon
  - h. Jim Kinnamon
  - i. Jane Lemke
  - j. Marvin Lemke
  - k. Kevin Murphy
  - l. Lori Schade
  - m. Sharon Scrivner
  - n. Bruce Statler
  - o. John Steurer
  - p. Kathy Steurer
  - q. Stephanie Weissmann
- 8. **Nurse**
  - a. Erica Sandeno

Moved by Warner, seconded by Scheuer, to approve the re-employment of the Support Staff Personnel for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented. Roll call. Berta, abstain; Sandeno, abstain; Scheuer, aye; Sulzberger, aye; Warner, aye; Henson, aye. Motion carried.

Principal Pittenger presented a list of graduating seniors. Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Sandeno, to approve the graduating seniors pending successful completion of all requirements, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Warner, seconded by Berta, to approve the continuation of employment for the Substitution List for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Scheuer, seconded by Berta, to approve the parent and community member volunteer list for the 2021-2022 school year, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the annual Consolidated District Plan for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Moved by Sandeno, seconded by Warner, to approve the Consolidated District Plan for the 2021-2022 school year. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Sandeno, to approve the 5 Year CD Renewal for the Terwillegar Scholarship, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the board the proposal for a new intercom and clock system. Principal Pittenger is recommending that we add the battery backup and media player bringing the total to \$16,025.00.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Warner, to approve the new intercom and clock system, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Warner, seconded by Sandeno, to go into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. to discuss the selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in this Act, including a vacancy in a public office when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance; According to Section 2, Subsection (c), #3 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act; To consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity; According to Section 2, Subsection (c), #1 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. (Item Exec B is tabled). Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Warner, to exit Executive Session at 7:32 p.m. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Scheuer, to approve support staff wage increases for 2021-2022, as presented. Roll call. Warner, aye; Berta, abstain; Sandeno, abstain; Scheuer, aye; Sulzberger, aye; Henson, aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Warner, seconded by Sandeno, to approve administrative salary increases for 2021-2022, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Sulzberger, seconded by Warner, to approve the reimbursement of the Superintendent's unused vacation days, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek noted to the board that the reimbursement will add to the leadership scholarship available for all graduating seniors at DTHS.

Moved by Sandeno, seconded by Berta, to approve the termination of employment for Jocelyn Sims, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The board members decided to table the interviews and appointment of the open board position. There will be a special high school meeting on June 23, 2021 at 6 p.m.

Moved by Berta, seconded by Sandeno, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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Jill Haacke, Acting Secretary, District #230

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Tim Henson, President, District #230