

## Dieterich Unit #30 Regular Board Meeting Highlights

July 12, 2021

1. The Board opened it's Regular Meeting at 6:15pm.
2. The Board approved the Minutes, Expenditures and Treasurer's Report from June.
3. The Board chose Dieterich Bank to be the primary depository for District funds for the upcoming fiscal year.
4. The latest Board Policy updates were reviewed and placed on public display until formal adoption at the August Board meeting.
5. The Board heard from 28 guests regarding the start of the upcoming school year. Many of the guests voiced concerns regarding students wearing masks as a measure to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. The consensus of the group was to allow masking to be optional for the upcoming school year. The Board has not yet approved the Return to School Plan, but assured those in attendance that all information and CDC/IDPH/ISBE recommendations will be taken into consideration.
6. The Board accepted the resignation of Ashley Kreke as guidance counselor.
7. The Board hired Tammy Bloemer as a guidance counselor for the upcoming school year.
8. The Board further discussed facility update and/or addition options, along with how to fund those improvements. Currently, the Board is planning the construction of more secure entryways and vestibules for both the elementary and jr-sr high entrances. The majority of funding for this project would come from ESSR II grant funds. The Board continues to explore options for additional classroom space. ESSR III grant funds could possibly partially fund the classroom expansion, leaving a substantial balance to come from another source.
9. The Board discussed the Return to School Plan draft document and feel they are close to an approval.
10. The Board scheduled a special meeting for Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm to revisit the Return to School Plan. An approval of the plan is likely at that meeting. Detail of the plan will be released after Board approval.
11. The Board adjourned.