

**Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi**  
 2 Sheldon Drive  
 Delhi, NY 13753

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**

**Date:** April 24, 2017

**Members Present:** Tammy Neumann, Dr. Thomas Flanders, Jay Wilson, Seth Haight, Elizabeth Huneke, and Lucy Kelly

**Absent:** Glenn Nealis

**Others Present:** Jason D. Thomson, Superintendent, Bruce McKeegan, General Counsel, and several members of the community and staff.

<p>Vice President, Tammy Neumann, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi to order at 6:04 p.m.</p>	<p>Call to Order</p>
<p>On a motion made by Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders, seconded by Trustee, Lucy Kelly, the Board entered into Executive Session to discuss a personnel contractual matter, teacher tenure status, and an athletic proposal for coaching staff, with no action to be taken. The Board entered Executive Session at 6:04 p.m.</p>	<p>Enter Executive Session</p>
<p>On a motion made by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board left Executive session at 7:05 p.m.</p>	<p>Leave Executive Session</p>
<p>Vice President, Tammy Neumann, called the Open Session of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:10 p.m.</p>	<p>Call to Order with Pledge of Allegiance</p>
<p><b>Presentations -</b></p>	<p><b>Presentations</b></p>
<p>Mr. Jason D. Thomson, Superintendent, announced the Board is entertaining the idea of open enrollment for Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi. At last month's Board of Education meeting, the Board heard from Administration and the two principal's regarding the impacts of open enrollment, if the Board chooses to go in that direction. This month, the Board will listen to reports from the department heads. Mr. Thomson turned the floor over to Mr. Bill Bartlett, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor.</p>	<p>Discussion on Open Enrollment Impact to Departments</p>
<p>Mr. Bill Bartlett, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor reported if the numbers came in and they fit within the number of rooms and spaces we are currently using it really would not have any impact on the facilities department. If attendance comes in where we find it necessary to open rooms that have been closed down for a few years, then the department would need to re-evaluate their staffing needs. In the past when we've had reduced enrollment, the department reduced staffing. Unfortunately, due to the declining enrollment, there were classrooms closed off from use - reducing the cleaning workload. The department was able to accommodate the reductions. If we get to the point where we need to open those classrooms, we would need to revisit the workload and staffing needs. Other than that, there isn't any real impact to this department.</p>	<p>Buildings &amp; Grounds</p>
<p>Trustee, Jay Wilson asked how many classrooms are available. Mr. Bartlett replied there are five in the middle school and four in the high school. There are also a few other areas</p>	<p>Buildings &amp; Grounds continued</p>

<p>that are closed off that are not used (computer lab).</p> <p>The Board thanked Mr. Bartlett for his report.</p> <p>Mr. Luke Potrzeba, Technology Department Supervisor reported:</p> <p>The technology department would be most greatly impacted by the one-to-one program as that is the most direct impact - one student, one device, one license, and then we would need to look at what the additional software costs would be by buying additional licenses for elementary, and then what can be the potential classroom impacts by us bringing more students in. We would need to create more accounts on the fly and bringing more students over - looking at the comprehensive at a solution that will streamline the process to onboard a student. For example, if we have a lot of students that come to the district in August, he doesn't want to have to pull his staff away from the account creation process. He researched how we can use the software tool to streamline that process where the account gets created automatically when Ms. Barriger enters a student in the PowerSchool system. By using an automated system, it was a cost of between \$3000 - 6,000 on those products. This will enable his department to be able to be in the classroom where they're needed to get things set up for the beginning of the year so they can focus on keeping things running as smoothly as possible. Final impact in terms of our network and students is the wireless infrastructure. The district would see an impact, at least on the number of students going online, so there would be a cost increase in our internet service. These are the areas that will cause the most impact.</p> <p>Trustee, Tammy Neumann asked if there is a difference in cost if a student is in elementary school vs middle school or high school.</p> <p>Mr. Potrzeba replied there is; however, he thinks this will be going away as the one-to-one program pushes into the elementary directly. He sees it expanding as we are placing devices in every classroom so by the time we gain in numbers of students, we should be well prepared. He doesn't see much of a difference in that area.</p> <p>Trustee, Jay Wilson asked what's the cost range between \$3,000-\$6,000?</p> <p>Mr. Potrzeba replied that is the actual cost of the software platform as of today. He received quotes from a few vendors, but he can't justify the cost to onboard 10 students a year, but if we onboard 100 students, we can justify the cost. The district needs to look at what is most advantageous to the district in terms of meeting everyone's expectations.</p> <p>Trustee, Jay Wilson asked for clarification of the cost of Chrome books. The cost is \$300.00 per student - one-time cost per student, grades 6-12.</p> <p>There were no further questions. The Board thanked Mr. Potrzeba for his report.</p>	<p>Technology</p>
<p>Mr. Gregg Verspoor, Transportation Supervisor reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Through all the research he has done on transportation for districts - transportation is optional. The district is not obligated to provide transport for students outside the district, so if transportation will be burden to the district, we are not obligated to transport.</li> <li>• The district currently does transport some students that are employees or some students that live with grandparents where parents live out of the district, we've established stops at the end of the district's borderlines where grandparents pick them up and take them from that point home. We've established different pick-up points. Delaware Academy has a very large district so we have buses out to</li> </ul>	<p>Transportation</p> <p>Transportation continued</p>

every point already, so he doesn't see a particular burden in any one place with the exception that if the numbers really grew in route toward the Walton area, then we would have to make different arrangements to accommodate the schedule - move students around, etc. We would also have the option of saying transportation would be accommodated as room provides without an impact of having to purchase another bus or vehicle to provide transportation.

Mr. Thomson asked how it would work if you have ten seats and twenty students - would you have a lottery system to decide who rides?

Mr. Verspoor replied he thinks we would have to look at a system that will be fair across the entire district. This is something the district will need to look at. If you are going to offer at one end of the district, you may have to offer to the other end of the district as well. Mr. Verspoor foresees parents transporting their students as there are parents that work in the area that would drop off and pick up their students daily. The parents would probably drive the student on in to the school instead of choosing the option of the student pick up at a specified line. Sports programs are self transport anyway, so there won't be a big impact there. Also, there isn't much of an impact with extracurricular as team sizes are usually limited. The team size is usually of normal size so one vehicle can be used. He doesn't see much of a change there.

- As far as costs, again, we do not run outside of our district, we're not supposed to run outside of our district for any reason, so we will be operating on the same routes that we have established, so he doesn't see any additional costs, although it can adversely affect financial aid. There are multiple factors that connect with the transportation aid. One impact he sees is the non-allowable pupil decimal that he has to report on every few years. Every time we make a change we have to do a yearly, if not every other year. Basically you have to report on all the students based on enrollment of total district, then they deduct students living within 1 1/2 miles of the district, as well as, the number of out-of-district students, so if that number grew, it could affect the financial aid. He sees that as a small fraction. The district can opt to establish travel limits - 2 miles for grades K-5, 3 miles for grades 6-12. It would have to be in effect for the entire district, we could not pick and choose who can ride and who cannot.

Trustee, Jay Wilson asked for clarification of the Hamden bus route. Are there currently two buses going to Hamden?

Mr. Verspoor replied, yes. He elaborated that the Hamden run is a dangerous route so they divided the run to two buses so they don't have students crossing the road as a safety factor. If we were to get in influx of students in that area, we would have to re-evaluate that particular run.

Trustee, Jay Wilson asked how many bus routes Delaware Academy currently has. Mr. Verspoor replied the district currently has 15 full size and 2 van routes.

There were no further questions. The Board thanked Mr. Verspoor for his report.

Ms. Christine Miller, Food Service Supervisor reported:

Open enrollment for the food service department doesn't bring any recommendations for the elementary school. The lines run smooth - they start at 10:45 a.m. and the last group is at 12:15 p.m. She spoke to Ms. Alberti about the high school with her current staffing and accommodating Head Start, our cap would be 125 students per lunch period.

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<p>The high school has four (2 MS/ 2 HS). If enrollment increases, we would have to increase staff.</p> <p>Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders asked how many students the department serves currently.</p> <p>Ms. Miller replied the A lunch period (MS) 129, B lunch is (HS) 125 students. The BOCES students straggle in as they return to school. Ms. Miller reported a total of 500 students can be served.</p> <p>Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders asked if staff was included, could the department accommodate them. Ms. Miller replied yes, because they have split lunches.</p> <p>There were no further questions. The Board thanked Ms. Miller for her report.</p> <p>Mr. John Backus, Science Teacher, recently went to Bhutan, located in the Himalayan Mountains, and shared some highlights from his trip with the Board of Education. Mr. Backus explained the difficult culture of Bhutan and shared several slides of the terrain and different cultures of the area. He brought back several artifacts that tie into his science class (earth science, biology, and history. He explained how the climate is a diverse geologic and climatic area where land that used to overlap Asia is now ocean in between. He showed rocks he brought back and how they changed over time. He explained how Bhutan is one of the most bio diverse regions of earth with its mammals, birds, plants and trees. The culture and history is rich. Mr. Backus explained the area is slowly modernizing - they prefer to keep their culture intact.</p> <p>The Board thanked Mr. Backus for his presentation.</p> <p>Mr. Matthew Albright, brought forth a request to the Board of Education on behalf of the Cross Country and Soccer teams for permission to participate in a three day training camp, August 20<sup>th</sup> through August 22, 2017, hosted at the Delta Lake Bible Conference Center in Rome, New York. Mr. Albright showed a brief slide show from last year's event where the teams learned team building skills. Everyone appeared to have a great time!</p> <p>Mr. Albright asked the Board of Education to 1) approve a request for the Cross Country Teams and Boys and Girls Soccer Teams to participate in a three day training camp; 2) approve a request that the district will provide the cost of the use of four buses, and one van, and compensation of four bus drivers.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board of Education approved a request from the athletic department for the Cross Country Teams and Boys and Girls Soccer teams to participate in a three day training camp, August 20, 2017 through August 22, 2017, hosted at Delta Lake Bible Conference Center in Rome, New York; and the Board approved a request to provide the cost of the use of four buses, one van, and the compensation of four bus drivers.</p> <p>A brief question and answer session was held. There were no further questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p><b>Public Comments -</b></p> <p>Mr. Henry Marino, Delhi resident, addressed the Board of Education on the topic of open enrollment. Mr. Marino stated he has the ultimate respect for everyone serving on this Board. Mr. Marino gave a brief background on himself - he was a police officer for 26 years. On the very first day of his training, his teacher at the academy explained once you become a public servant, or run for public office, you need to consider yourself public property. He took that to heart and conducted himself for 26 years accordingly</p>	<p>Mr. Backus - Bhutan Trip</p> <p>Mr. Albright - Cross Country and Soccer Participation in Training Camp 2016</p> <p>Approval of Cross Country and Soccer Participation in Training Camp 2017</p> <p><b>Public Comments</b></p> <p>Henry Marino</p>
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until he retired, so you had to be tough skinned. So anything he says to the Board, he doesn't want anyone to take it personally. He's been listening to the discussion on open enrollment, he hasn't heard any numbers. We don't know how many students may or may not come in to the district. Mr. Marino stated he prides himself on doing his research and getting his information as correct as possible to pass it along. We don't know how many kids are going to come here. We don't know how many kids may have to receive free or reduced lunch program. The school numbers and enrollment figures show that there's been an increase from last year to this year. We don't know how many kids may be disabled. Our own policies clearly indicate that we can't discriminate. So unless the Board is going to change those policies, we are going to get those students. We're going to get the good, and sometimes get the bad. That is life! He accepts it. If we get a student, say from Walton, that is a special needs student, and we go to the bus line to Walton, and that parent, guardian, foster parent, brings that child who may be in a wheelchair we're going to need a special bus. We are going to need two of them, a primary and a backup. Then we're going to need to train the driver on how to use the equipment to bring the child on the bus, it will take more help - three others (primary and two other backup staff.) Open additional classrooms - they can fund you with those. So, this encompasses so much, and to him it is really mind boggling, and he has tried to keep up on how it will all work out, on the advice of the attorney, but when he does his research, and goes online, and all you have to do is type in Delaware Academy School District Budget, the audit. This audit speaks for itself on where we are financially. I'm sure everyone here has seen it and spoken about it. Everyone can form their own opinion. Mr. Marino read a quote from Mr. Thomson's office from the audit report where Mr. Thomson states that the State has reduced funding to the district by over seven million dollars, and that because of the taxes, and the tax levy going below, we're down that much money, so to me, and to Mr. Wilson, with all due respect, he doesn't think we're in the position to offer students to come here and not pay a fee. He understands this isn't a unique - this is happening all over the country. What's happening is that more people are dying than there are children being born, so it is affecting areas, even where he came from in Connecticut, where he's read articles where they've lost 7000 residents. Mr. Marino came from a poor family with eight, and back then, after world war II, they had big families. Parents can't do that now. It's no different than he and his wife saying let's take on child number five and don't think there's a financial burden that comes along with it. There is! So if the district takes on one student, there is a financial impact. People in this area have a tough time putting a roof over their head, and paying for their food. This area in Delaware County has one foot in the grave. If one of these factories decides to leave, we're done. This area is done! It's only going to be the rich coming in buying the homes, and not having any children in the school district. Eventually, what he sees as happening it that small districts need to come together and decide where they want to be centralized. We can't have 100 kids come here and think that the State will pay for it - it's not. Newspaper article after newspaper articles reports the State is not giving out the money and our taxes are going up. It's all self serving. He noted his statement is self serving also. He is on a fixed income with two children in his home that he needs to pay for. He doesn't need his taxes to go up. He understands they're going to go up - everything goes up, but at a certain time, if we're not getting the money, and we're not the only district that's not getting money - BOCES is going up from 4 to 11%, we're not financially able to bring these kids in and think that we're going to receive money to help offset the children that are coming to us. We have no idea in the future what the State is going to do - one year may be good, one may be better. To bring more students in here to have the environment, he understands it is a double edged sword and he doesn't have the answer. He wishes he did. He wants to see the staff and people continue working, but if you let people go, now it affects someone down the line. He's reviewed past years without a status quo of students, give or take, a few here or there for the past five years. I don't know if it is going to decline - he'd like to see his son and daughter stay here and raise their children, but if they can't afford a home and can't afford to pay those taxes,

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they're going to go elsewhere. In the articles he mentioned earlier from his former area, they've lost 7000 people over the past six years. Young people can't afford the homes because of the taxes so they're going elsewhere. He is requesting the Board to closely think on how five years down the line, two years down the line, on how this is going to impact the community because it will affect everyone in the future. He recommended everyone go online to review the audit report to verify his information. Mr. Marino stated "the writing's on the wall" - it's telling us it's wrong and if we ignore this and put the pressure on the taxpayers, he's going to pack up his two kids and go down south where the taxes aren't going to kill him. He can live anywhere in this country where he wants, and they'll send his paycheck to him wherever it is, it could be Alaska. The state of New York spends about \$20,000 per student. We are the highest in the country. He has the information and he'll be happy to pass it along. He has done hours and hours of research and he feels it is not a good thing to do to the people of this community. Until the environment gets a little better, and he tells his children this all the time, that once we think our pants fit better than everybody else's that's when you'll find them down around your ankles. He is requesting everyone take a deep breath and think about where we want to go. I know everybody likes sports, but to him it is a memory. What he taught his children was that school was first, sports were second. If you want an education, then education is first priority and you act appropriately. If you don't act appropriately, the consequences will be harsh, and everything turns out fine. He requests the Board to reconsider, or think about, how this is going to go down the line. He will still come in and read and speak and all that good stuff, and probably annoy everyone, but he doesn't mean anyone any disrespect. This is a tough job and you have to be tough skinned. Mr. Marino thanked the Board for their time.

The Board thanked Mr. Marino for his comments.

**Routine Matters -**

On a motion made by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, seconded by Trustee, Lucy Kelly, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Budget Workshop Meeting held on March 13, 2017, the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on March 20, 2017, and the Minutes of the Budget Workshop Meeting held on March 27, 2017 as submitted. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

On a motion made by Trustee, Seth Haight, seconded by Trustee, Jay Wilson, the Board of Education accepted the AL Kellogg, Morgan Stanley Report for the period dated February 1-28, 2017 and the February 2017 Treasurer's Report as submitted. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.

On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, the Board of Education approved the following personnel recommendations by the Superintendent be made pending fingerprint clearance:

**Retirements:**

- Cipperly, Michael, Agriculture-Technology Teacher, Effective June 30, 2017

**Resignations:**

- Vorisek, Hannah, Aide, Effective April 7, 2017

**Provisional Appointments Awaiting Civil Service Exam:**

No provisional appointments for April 2017

**Probationary Appointments:**

**Routine Matters**

Approval of Minutes

Accept Financial Reports

Approve Personnel

Retirements:  
Cipperly

Resignations:  
Vorisek

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Harageones, Danielle, Aide - Elementary Building, Probationary Period Effective: April 26, 2017 through December 22, 2017, FT, 10 month, Salary as per DESSA Agreement</li> </ul> <p><b>Leave Request:</b> No leave requests for April 2017</p> <p><b>Permanent Appointments:</b> No permanent appointments for April 2017</p> <p><b>Change in Position:</b> No change in position for April 2017</p> <p><b>Substitute Appointments Pending Fingerprint Clearance - April 25, 2017 through June 30, 2017:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Burns, Sarah, Non-Instructional</li> <li>• Howard, Samantha, Instructional and Non-Instructional</li> <li>• McIntosh, Allyce, Non-Instructional, Elementary Only</li> </ul> <p><b>Long Term Substitute:</b> No long term substitutes for April 2017</p> <p><b>Extracurricular Activity Appointments 2016-2017, Salary as per DAFA:</b> No extracurricular appointments for April 2017.</p> <p><b>Athletic Appointments 2016-2017, Salary as per DAFA Agreement Unless Otherwise Specified:</b> No athletic appointments for April 2017</p> <p><b>Volunteer Appointments:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aikens, Jenn, Spring Varsity Track and Field</li> </ul> <p><b>Other: Establish Pay Rate for After School Detention Monitor:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education establishes a rate of pay for an After School Detention Monitor of \$25.23 per hour.</li> </ul> <p><b>Correction to Other:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Verspoor, Amy, Instructional - Tutor, effective March 10, 2017, and After School Detention LTA, effective March 21, 2017. <b>Rescind After School Detention LTA, effective March 21, 2017.</b></li> </ul> <p>Vice President, Tammy Neumann commended Mr. Cipperly on his 30 plus years to the district. There were no further questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board of Education approved the CSE Recommendations for April 2017 as submitted. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p><b>Departmental Reports -</b></p> <p>Ms. Julie Mable, Elementary Principal reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grades 3-5 ELA Testing is done and scored and sent on to the RIC</li> <li>• She interviewed for a new Teacher's Aide</li> <li>• Professional Development is focused on supporting phonics instruction</li> <li>• K-2 Art show is tomorrow</li> </ul>	<p>Probationary: Harageones</p> <p>Substitutes:</p> <p>Burns</p> <p>Howard McIntosh</p> <p>Volunteer Aikens</p> <p>Other: Establish After School Detention Monitor Pay Correction: Verspoor</p> <p>Approval of CSE Recommendations</p> <p><b>Departmental Reports:</b> Elementary Principal</p>
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<p>Mr. Carey Shultz, Business Administrator reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board reworked the budget so there is a slight change. The district is responsible for payment of a settlement to be paid from the 2016-17 fiscal year. This will be taken from reserve funds. The tax levy this year is .3%. The budget is done.</li> <li>• Numbers for abatement = \$30,000 to \$40,000 - trying to lock in numbers.</li> <li>• He's working with Mr. David Gilmore, to review the construction contract - they went through the numbers and there aren't any changes</li> <li>• Flyers for the budget vote will go out next week - BOCES sends them out.</li> </ul> <p>Trustee, Jay Wilson asked what it means to the district when a reassessment of property is approved. Mr. Shultz replied the taxes are lowered in this case, and other taxpayers take on the amount.</p> <p>The Board thanked Mr. Shultz for his report.</p>	<p>Business Administrator</p>
<p>Ms. Christine Miller, Food Service Supervisor reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two Delaware Academy teams participated in the Jr. Iron Chef competition at Bassett Healthcare - she isn't sure of the placement, but the judges were impressed with our team's skills.</li> <li>• On April 7<sup>th</sup>, she and Mrs. Boice's class made chocolate chip cookies.</li> <li>• Sales: 2,709 breakfasts, 8,823 lunches.</li> </ul> <p>Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders asked Ms. Miller a question regarding silverware use in the cafeteria. Why do we use plastic instead of metal? Ms. Miller replied we use plastic as the students throw away the silverware and they bend the tines on the metal silverware.</p> <p>Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders stated he was asked by a parent if there is any truth that a child is charged for a spoon if they need one. Ms. Miller replied the children are not charged for use of silverware.</p> <p>There were no further questions. The Board thanked Ms. Miller for her report.</p>	<p>Food Service</p>
<p>Mr. Bill Petrilli, CSE Chairperson reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Reviews continue - they are a little behind due to the snow days, but they will be completed by June. Eleven CPSE reviews are included.</li> <li>• He is busy conducting 12-15 meetings in 1 - 1 ½ days a week.</li> <li>• He is looking for different placement for a few students and feels confident we will be able to find proper placement for them.</li> </ul> <p>The Board thanked Mr. Petrilli for his report.</p>	<p>CSE Chairperson</p> <p>CSE Chairperson continued</p>
<p>Mr. Luke Potrzeba, Technology Supervisor reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He's taken a bit of time off lately to assist his wife in her recovery from recent surgery. He thanked everyone for their support.</li> <li>• They continue to work on web app android devices.</li> <li>• Busy keeping technology running smoothly throughout the district.</li> </ul> <p>The Board thanked Mr. Potrzeba for his report.</p>	<p>Technology</p>
<p>Mr. Gregg Verspoor, Transportation Supervisor reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• His department is very busy with sports. He continuously has to juggle schedules to accommodate the needs.</li> </ul> <p>The Board thanked Mr. Verspoor for his report.</p>	<p>Transportation</p>

<p>Mr. Jason D. Thomson, Superintendent reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He has stated to his Cabinet members that this is a very busy time of the year and we all need to keep in mind to be patient with one another. There is a lot of testing going on right now. He is fortunate to have the same team working together so well. There is a lot of pressure on everyone at this time of year.</li> <li>• In his opinion, the Board of Education and Mr. Shultz, has once again, come up with a fair budget for the voters.</li> <li>• Attended the Pops Concert - everyone did a great job!</li> <li>• This is the third year of our CTEP Cohort program - we are hoping to continue to add to this program.</li> <li>• We are in the process of hiring new staff for the positions we have open for 2017-18. He attended the teacher recruitment days and it was the worst turnout ever. Only 344 people attended. There is a huge shortage of people who want to go into education. He was very discouraged with the numbers and the quality just wasn't there in the candidates he talked to.</li> <li>• He is scheduled to meet with Assemblyman Brian Miller and Senator John Bonacic on May 3, 2017 to discuss Pre-K and Delhi's non-taxable entities. He hopes to request bullet money for Delaware Academy and prefers to do this via face-to-face interaction.</li> </ul> <p>The Board thanked Mr. Thomson for his report.</p>	<p>Superintendent</p>
<p><b>Policy Review / Adoption</b></p> <p>Vice President, Tammy Neumann reported that the Policy Review Committee met to review policies #26 - #50. The committee also reviewed an Opioid policy that will be forwarded to the full Board for review prior to the next Board of Education meeting.</p> <p><b>New Business</b></p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, the Board of Education approved a request to provide transportation of a student residing in the Delaware Academy Central School District who will be attending the Oneonta Community Christian School in Oneonta, New York for the 2017-2018 school year. Transportation is requested from the student's home on Case Hill Road, Treadwell, New York to Oneonta Community Christian School, River Street, Oneonta, New York. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board of Education approved a request from the Delaware Academy Safety Patrol to participate in the 2017 Crossing Guard/Civic Duty Trip to Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia, PA, May 13, 2017 through May 16, 2017 at no cost to the District. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Seth Haight, seconded by Trustee, Jay Wilson, the Board of Education approved a request from the Speech and Debate Club to travel to Louisville, Kentucky, May 25, 2017 - May 29, 2017, to participate in the National Catholic Forensic League (NCFL) Tournament, and</p> <p>The Board approved a request from the Speech and Debate Club for the District to provide transportation to and from Mount Markam Middle School District where the team will continue their journey with area district's league members on a coach bus to Louisville, Kentucky; and</p> <p>The Board approved a request from the Speech and Debate Club to provide the cost of one substitute teacher on Friday, May 26, 2017. There were no questions, comments, or</p>	<p><b>Policy Review</b></p> <p><b>New Business</b></p> <p>Approval of Transportation Request</p> <p>Approval of Safety Patrol Trip</p> <p>Approval of Speech &amp; Debate Trip</p>

<p>discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Seth Haight, seconded by Trustee, Jay Wilson, the Board of Education approved a request from the DASH office to deem one portable ice maker, model#AI-2155S; manufacturer: New Air, serial #140503783, as it is broken. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board of Education accepted a donation from Ms. Genevieve McKee, in memory of Bill Young, President of the class of 1956, in the amount of \$100.00, for the sports program. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, the Board of Education approved a request for the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi to participate in cooperative bidding for bread and bread products for the school year 2017-2018 with other school districts in the Southern Tier of New York State, and The Board of Education approved Ms. Kate Taylor, Clerk of the Board of Education, GST BOCES, be designated to advertise, receive and open said bids, and The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Seth Haight, seconded by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, the Board of Education adopted a budget for the 2017-2018 school year in the amount of \$20,108, 665.00 to be put before voters on May 16, 2017 for current obligations, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property or said school district and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said school district will be issued. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders, seconded by Trustee, Jay Wilson, the Board of Education approved the following proposition to be put before the voters on May 16, 2017:</p> <p>BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi, Delaware County, New York, is hereby authorized to purchase two (2) vans including incidental expenses in connection therewith, for the transportation of students, at a maximum cost not to exceed \$52,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary and shall be paid with available funds from the 2016-2017 budget year. There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board of Education of Delaware Academy voted for Board of Education candidates for DCMO BOCES, one vote for each vacancy as follows:  Candidate #1 - Linda Tuller, Unadilla Valley Central School  Candidate #2 - Linda Zaczek, Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton Central School</p> <p>Voting Results: 6 Aye, 0 Nay, 1 Absent</p> <p>There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi Board of Education voted on the proposed Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Administrative Budget for the 2017-2018 school year in the amount of \$2,277,297.00 as follows:</p>	<p>Approval of Excess Equipment</p> <p>Acceptance of Donation</p> <p>Approval of Bread Bid</p> <p>Adopt 2017-2018 Budget</p> <p>Approve Proposition to Purchase Vans</p> <p>Vote for DCMO BOCES BOE Members</p> <p>Vote on DCMO BOCES 2017-2018 Budget</p>
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<p>Voting Results: 6 Nay, 0 Aye, 1 Absent</p> <p>There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion failed unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders, seconded by Trustee, Jay Wilson, the Board of Education approved the following resolution regarding a property tax settlement:</p> <p>WHEREAS, the School District has been named as a respondent in tax certiorari proceedings filed by Burdkidz, L.L.C. Price Chopper Operating Co., Inc. against The Assessor, the Board of Assessors, and the Board of Assessment Review of the Town of Delhi and the Town of Delhi for Review of a Tax Assessment Under Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Board of Education has entered into a municipal agreement with the Town of Delhi and the County of Delaware to jointly defend such proceeding; and</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Town and County have approved such settlement and Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interests of the District to approve such Stipulation of Settlement;</p> <p>NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved that the Delaware Academy School District at Delhi, hereby authorizes its counsel, Bruce J. McKeegan, Esq. to execute on behalf of the District the attached Stipulation of Settlement resolving all pending proceedings instituted by Burdkidz under FPTL Article 7.</p> <p>There were no questions, comments, or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p><b>Public Comments</b></p> <p>There were no public comments.</p> <p><b>Board Comments</b></p> <p>Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke welcomed Ms. Silano to the district. She also thanked Mr. Backus for his presentation on Bhutan. She is glad to see the students have the opportunity to see Bhutan through Mr. Backus' experience.</p> <p>Trustee, Dr. Thomas Flanders responded to Mr. Marino's comments regarding the DCMO BOCES budget. Trustee Flanders explained the economy issue is not going away. The turnaround will be awhile. The Board of Education will continue to be diligent when making decisions, keeping everyone in mind as they make their decisions.</p> <p><b>Upcoming Board of Education Meeting Dates:</b></p> <p><b>Meet the Board of Education Member Candidates</b>, Monday, May 8, 2017, 6:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.</p> <p><b>Budget Hearing</b>, Tuesday, May 8, 2017 immediately following the Meet the Candidates session in the High School Auditorium.</p> <p><b>Budget Vote and Annual Board of Education Elections</b>, Tuesday, May 16, 2017, 12:00 Noon to 8:00 p.m. in the middle school lobby.</p> <p><b>Regular Board of Education Meeting</b>, Monday, May 22, 2017, 6:00 p.m. High School Media Library Center. It is anticipated that the Board of Education will act upon a resolution to convene an executive session and will plan to return to open session at 7:00</p>	<p>Approve General Counsel to Execute on Behalf of DA Stipulation of Settlement - Property Taxes</p> <p><b>Public Comments</b></p> <p>None</p> <p><b>Board Comments</b></p> <p>Huneke</p> <p>Flanders</p> <p><b>Upcoming BOE Meeting Dates</b></p>
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<p>p.m.</p> <p>The deadline for items to be placed on the Board agenda is the Tuesday prior to each Board of Education meeting. If you have any questions, please contact the District Clerk.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, the Board entered Executive Session to discuss a personnel item, with no action to be taken, at 8:57 p.m.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee, Elizabeth Huneke, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board of Education left Executive Session and immediately adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi at 10:55 p.m.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>Susan J. Temple District Clerk</p>	<p>Enter Executive Session</p> <p>Leave Executive Session / Adjournment</p>
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