

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

MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Date: April 21, 2014

Members Present: Dr. Thomas Flanders, Wayne Oliver, Jay Wilson, Tammy Neumann, Seth Haight, and Mark Ackerly, and Glenn Nealis (arrived at 7:25 p.m.)

Others Present: Jason D. Thomson, Superintendent, Bruce McKeegan, School Attorney, and several members of the community and staff.

<p>President, Dr. Thomas Flanders called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi to order at 6:05 p.m.</p>	<p>Call to Order</p>
<p>On a motion made by Trustee Tammy Neumann, and seconded by Trustee Mark Ackerly, the Board entered Executive Session to discuss personnel positions and tenure recommendations, with no action to be taken, at 6:06 p.m.</p>	<p>Enter Executive Session</p>
<p>On a motion made by Trustee Seth Haight, seconded by Trustee Jay Wilson, the Board of Education left Executive Session at 7:01 p.m.</p>	<p>Leave Executive Session</p>
<p>President, Dr. Thomas Flanders called the Open Session to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:07 p.m.</p>	<p>Call to Order – Open Session</p>
<p>Presentations –</p>	<p>Presentations</p>
<p>School Safety Excellence Award - Mr. Jason D. Thomson, Superintendent, presented the Board of Education with the School Safety Excellence Award from Utica National Insurance Company. Delaware Academy has received the highest award, titanium, for seven years. Delaware Academy also received a check in the amount of \$500.00 with the award. Mr. Thomson acknowledged Mr. Bill Bartlett and Ms. Chrisman for their hard work in continuing to assure Delaware Academy receives the award. The Board thanked Mr. Thomson and all the staff for the award.</p>	<p>School Safety Award</p>
<p>NYS Turfgrass Association Certificate of Participation – Mr. Jason D. Thomson presented the Board of Education with a Certificate of Participation received from the New York State Turfgrass Association granted to Delaware Academy “for their dedication and lasting contribution to expanding educational opportunities and membership for K-12 school athletic field maintenance personnel grant.” Mr. Thomson acknowledged Mr. Bartlett for working with Mr. Dominic Morales, SUNY Delhi, and Cornell University in conjunction with a grant Mr. Morales received for participation in turf management by several area school districts.</p>	<p>NYS Turfgrass Assoc. Cert. of Participation</p>
<p>Certificate of Excellence – President, Dr. Thomas Flanders presented a Certificate of Excellence to Ms. Terri Sherman, FCCLA Advisor for her hard work and dedication to the FCCLA program. On March 28, 2014, Ms. Sherman was recognized and honored by receiving the NYS Distinguished Service Award at the NYS FCCLA Leadership Conference</p>	<p>Certificate of Excellence – Sherman Continued</p>

<p>and FCS Professional Development event held in Syracuse, New York.</p> <p>Ms. Sherman thanked the Board of Education and stated she is very proud of Molly Sherman and Michaela Pernice for being invited to Texas this year.</p> <p>Certificate of Appreciation – President, Dr. Thomas Flanders presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Ms. Jennifer Stanton for her hard work and dedication to the Speech and Language Club and for her instrumental role in bringing the New York State Forensics Tournament to Delaware Academy on April 5 and April 6, 2014.</p> <p>Proclamation – Mr. Roger Decker read a Proclamation from Assemblyman Clifford Crouch.</p> <p>Art Award Announcements and a “History of Art” – Mr. Brian Rolfe announced the winners of the <u>New York State Greater Federation of Women’s Club Art Club Contest!</u> Students competed in a variety of categories based on products medium. The winners are: Amanda Hyduk, Pastel 1st Place Local, and 2nd Place Central District Division, Courtney Hasbrouck, Pencil 1st place local, and 2nd place central district division, Adreanna Hook, Acrylic, 1st Place Local and 3rd Place Central District Division, Kristen Hultenius, Oil Pastel 2nd Place and Honorable Mention Central Division, Catherine DeDominics, Sculpture 1st Place Local and 1st Place Central District Division, Julie Van Buren, Ceramics 1st Place Local and 1st Place Central District Division and 2nd Place, NY State, Renzo Guevarra, Oil Pastel, 1st Place Local and 3rd Place Central District Division, Danielle Tait, Mixed Media, 1st Place Local and 1st Place Central District Division, Kayleigh Verspoor, Honorable Mention Local, Carly Burczack, Honorable Mention Local and Honorable Mention Central Division, Stella Mueller, Honorable Mention Local, and Riley Davis, Honorable Mention Local.</p> <p>The Local Division of the Greater Federation of Women’s Club is the Treadwell Community Improvement Club and consists of the very local school district surrounding area.</p> <p>The Central Division of the Greater Federation of Women’s Club is a much bigger region consisting of the Central New York area, Binghamton, Elmira, Syracuse and all areas between.</p> <p>Mr. Rolfe addressed the Board regarding proposed changes to the Art department for the academic school year 2014-15. He commented that art is important to education and there are several people present at the meeting to speak on behalf of the art program. It has been proven that art students do better on tests, they are four times more likely to be hired by employers, they have higher GPA, they add viable positions, and he could go on. Mr. Rolfe commented that it is puzzling to see more cuts to the art department. Students want to take art courses. If the Board cuts art, Delaware Academy will be devastated; the art department has continually been cut. Graphic Design was cut in 2010 as well as others. There are more and more art courses no longer being offered. The proposed cuts would extinguish any opportunities for the students and they would be left with the bare minimum of opportunities. Mr. Rolfe pointed out Board members that have children attend the district that won’t have opportunities. The cost savings are minimal. The taxpayers don’t want the art program cut any further.</p> <p>Trustee Seth Haight inquired about how art prepares the students to be industry and career ready.</p> <p>Mr. Rolfe explained that the foundation is made in high school. There is no longer a lot of opportunity for the classes needed here at DA to enter into the art field. He knows gaps can be filled with courses that have been lost. The whole area of study is over for students with cuts. There just is not the opportunity. Mr. Rolfe referred to several letters</p>	<p>Certificate of Appreciation – Stanton</p> <p>Proclamation</p> <p>Art Award Announcements – Rolfe</p> <p>Rolfe – Art Program Cuts</p> <p>Rolfe continued</p>
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<p>that were sent to the Board from successful people in various forms of art. He read each of the letters to the Board (see attached).</p>	
<p>CDOS Presentation – Ms. Alberti gave a brief presentation on the New York State Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) regulations. A brief question and answer session was held following the presentation. The Board thanked Ms. Alberti for her presentation.</p>	<p>CDOS Presentation</p>
<p>Proposed Budget – Ms. Chrisman referred the Board to the handouts on the proposed budget. She walked through the proposed budget for the audience. The proposed budget amount for this year is \$18,705,997.00. The vote will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014. The Board thanked Ms. Chrisman for the presentation and invited everyone to attend the Budget Hearing scheduled for Thursday, May 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.</p>	<p>Proposed Budget 2014-2015</p>
<p>Public Comments –</p>	<p>Public Comments</p>
<p>Ms. Deb Tuthill, Treadwell, New York addressed the Board regarding the importance of Art. She stated art is woven into every fabric of life; cards, architecture, clothing, etc.; everything you see was designed by an artist; book covers, posters, everything! The very areas our students lag behind in to tie into other curriculum areas. Powers of observation are enhanced by arts; technology, etc. are all art. Planning anything requires art; it is so important for the students. Ms. Tuthill stated that through research art has been found to raise endorphins, lower blood pressure, is good for psychological healing. Students in foster care use art in a way to heal their mind. She attributes artwork to her mental health. She compares art to a doctor telling you that you need a very expensive medicine, but you can't afford it. Please don't cut art.</p>	<p>Tuthill</p>
<p>Ms. Linda Burr read a letter to the Board from her daughter, Teresa Burr Patry (see attached). On a personal note, Ms. Burr spoke first-hand about her experience as a parent and as a substitute teacher. She stated when her daughter was preparing to go to college; Mr. Rolfe helped her prepare a wonderful portfolio to attend RIT. She is very thankful to him for that. Her daughter attended RIT and was very successful. As a substitute teacher, she's seen the change in students who come to his class. She's substituted in regular classrooms and these same students just get by, but when they enter Mr. Rolfe's classroom, they are amazing to see; they transform into a whole different student. They are incredible to watch the difference in their self-esteem, everything. It would be very sad to see the art department take such a huge cut. It seems the art department is taking drastic cuts as opposed to the other departments.</p>	<p>Burr</p>
<p>Ms. Maria McNaught, Delancey, New York, addressed the Board. She is here tonight because she heard there was going to be yet another cut to the art department. This is sad to hear. She always thought Delaware Academy offered a well rounded education. Mr. Rolfe made a huge difference to her daughter, Michelle McNaught. He helped her prepare a portfolio where he helps students to prepare for entering the college setting. She learned to focus, communicate, give and take constructive criticism and was always looking for constant feedback. There is a place for "thinking outside the box" – while each student won't be entering the field of art, all graduates from DA should have the opportunity. Ms. McNaught referenced a book titled <u>A Whole New Mind</u> where it talks about entering a new age; someone will make things cheaper and faster. There is a need to make unique things. The world needs employees who see things a little different. She asked the Board to please think before making another cut to art.</p>	<p>McNaught McNaught</p>
<p>Ms. Samantha Howard addressed the Board of Education. Ms. Howard's daughter is a graduate from Delaware Academy and is a senior at Nazareth College. Her professor called her aside and wanted to talk about her dedication to her drawings; where she</p>	<p>Howard</p>

<p>came from. Her daughter explained to the professor that she came from a small rural area and attended Delaware Academy where there were 76 students in her graduating class. Her professor was so impressed that a small-town girl has such dedication to her profession. Her daughter gave her teacher's at Delaware Academy the credit as they gave her the tools for learning. She was fortunate to have the opportunity to expand her learning. If the art program is cut again, students won't have the opportunities she's had and that would be sad.</p>	
<p>Ms. Stacy Branigan addressed the Board of Education. Ms. Branigan commented that she has four sons; none of whom will probably go into the field of art. One son would probably take mechanical drawing but it is not available at Delaware Academy. Art is critical to several areas in life. Mr. Rolfe is critical and helps the students get excited.</p>	Branigan
<p>Mr. Matt Nichols addressed the Board of Education. He has two boys and is mentoring coaching. He is a parent, a conservation officer, and he is here to defend the art program. He said he doesn't envy the Board for the decisions they have to make. It is a scary thought of cutting art. Art is not just play time, but is another method of learning to solve problems. It is the ability to do things, not because they've been told to, but because they can break down the process. Kids are being pulled to home schooling. Parents are fed up and don't believe in the system. To pull art would harm students. More and more parents are homeschooling their children. More private schools are in the area; transportation to those private schools falls on the same taxpayers so Delaware Academy loses kids and transportation dollars. Mr. Nichols begged the Board of Education to see that the art program is not an area to be cut. To save money is not always the best way to save the future. He begged the Board not to cut anymore from art.</p>	Nichols
<p>Mr. Brian Rolfe read letters from the following people (copies of the letters are attached at the end of the minutes.</p>	B. Rolfe – letters
<p>Ms. Laurie Rolfe read letters from Ms. Barbara Kiviranna and Mr. Vance Kiviranna. The letters are attached at the end of the minutes: Donna Briggs, Laura Christine Coberly, Jessamee Sanders, Zach Whitney, Stephanie Wasyl, Matt Nichols, and Jennifer L. Wentland. Ms. Casey Steffens and Chrystal Savage gave their letters to the District Clerk to be added to the others (see attached).</p>	L. Rolfe – letters
<p>Ms. Laurie Rolfe read letters from Ms. Barbara Kiviranna, and Mr. Vance Kiviranna (see attached) and she addressed the Board of Education as an elementary teacher employed here at Delaware Academy. She commented that she is looking for patterns in math and looking at art. She has seen 21 years of cuts. There used to be 4-5 sections of each grade and now we are down to three. The elementary building has absorbed their share of cuts due to declining enrollment. Enough is enough! The mistakes that have been made are a fabulous opportunity to help learn. She asked the Board to please take this opportunity to fix a mistake.</p>	L. Rolfe
<p>Ms. K. Karley addressed the Board of Education as a parent to Molly. Molly has a great passion for art; it has helped her become a well-rounded individual. It has helped her with animals as she painted the cat rooms. Art makes her a complete person. She watched Molly take creative action to help calm children through art. She is relaxed on horses – art background has helped her in the animal world. She uses art to make her generally a well-balanced person. Molly is a wonderful kid – her world is enriched because of art. Please don't take away the art program.</p>	Karley Karley
<p>Adrianna Hood, Delhi, New York, addressed the Board of Education. She is here talking to encourage the Board not to cut art as a in her personal experience there is only one class available. It is awful that photography was cut last year. We have some great</p>	Hood

<p>teachers; Ms. Tucker, Mr. Rolfe – art is a way to express ourselves. Student’s can draw expressions instead of saying art is literature. Students need one art credit. She stated the music program has four teachers while art is being cut. Cutting art will lead to miserable, unhappy students.</p>	
<p>There was a letter read from Jonathan Li, a past graduate of Delaware Academy; however, this recorder could not hear the person reading the letter.</p>	Li
<p>Mr. John Verga, Delaware Academy graduate, class of 2005. He has a BFA in Graphic Design and he knows a lot about art. He moved back to this area to turn his mother’s barn into an art studio. Delaware Academy can’t cut art – they would be moving backwards. When he attended the College of St. Rose, he needed foundation classes that were all taught here at Delaware Academy. The portfolio process is huge! He is one of those students who didn’t succeed in the other classes; he couldn’t articulate and would always be doodling on paper. He didn’t see that in art class. When he attended art class he’d sit down with a blank piece of paper and make something come alive. He got into the Arts Guild that just opened in Delhi so he’s contributing to the economic development and putting money into the community. Delaware Academy needs to put more into art. He can spout off about any area of the art field. There is a high demand for people in the arts – he chose to move back to the area to freelance. He has worked for companies such as Ray ban, Converse and others. He stated it is difficult to comprehend we are even having this conversation. He would like to help the Board look at things differently – help with the budget. He plans to live in the community for a long time. Don’t cut art!</p>	Verga
<p>Mr. Greg Black, Retired Teacher and Taxpayer. He said he is saddened and disappointed in the cuts the last six years, especially six full-time positions in the specialized area that support the high school. It is not right! We need a diverse education and that doesn’t exist anymore. It is sad! With the art program missing, your kids won’t have the benefits anymore. There have been very successful kids that have graduated and moved forward from this district and now we’re getting rid of these subject areas. Art is a universal language used around the world and it will no longer be taught here. The technology department is now gone; we live in an area where this is critical and now we are attacking art. How about cutting in other areas? Please look at other areas before cutting the art program. What is the difference of keeping tax cap if it means cuts? People have issues with it, but art shouldn’t be cut. He’s had a lot of kids and grownups in this room tonight – enough is enough! He doesn’t want to see any more cuts to the specialized areas.</p>	Black
<p>Stella Li addressed the Board of Education. She comes from a country, Hong Kong, where there are no educational programs once you complete elementary; no middle school or high school programs; once elementary is finished you’re done. It is very unfortunate to see the art program cut. From her experience art is very important. Please don’t eliminate it as it is great for the mind. She’s had no college, but art is important. She works in finance, but her ambitions were to do impression designs. It is hard to pursue those ambitions when you don’t have that exposure.</p>	Li
<p>Ms. Dawn Sohns, Delhi, New York, addressed the Board of Education. She stated she knows it is not an easy decision for the Board to make. She wants to talk from the career side of it. The demand for people in the communication department, public relations and advertising is growing. From a teacher’s perspective, they are looking for students that are not cloned. From a college level, this brings a great deal of frustration. It is important that students can look at things from different perspectives; look outside the box. Those are the students that excel. They need to look at things differently. SUNY Oneonta is cutting courses. We need to know when the students leave that they are ready to take a job. They need the ability to think outside the box. Spirits are alive in students who take art. She took a group of seven students to an advertising competition</p>	Sohns

<p>and firms there stated they need creative people who are innovative and look outside the normal ways of doing things.</p>	
<p>On a personal note, Ms. Sohns commented she loved Mr. Lusier’s course when she was in school; it helped her to know who she was. She agrees that sports are important as well. Kids want electives when moving forward in middle school and high school. It can’t wait. As a parent, she wants to know that Delaware Academy can be the school that attracts people from other areas. The best school her son attended was an art-based school. The Board has an impossible job. She asked that they use the same skills we want the students to use and look outside the box and build Delaware Academy to be a unique place to be proud of. Thank you.</p>	
<p>Ms. Wendy Reid-Jackson, LOA Replacement for Ms. Sue Tucker addressed the Board of Education. She resides in Walton. She stated art serves a purpose for kids with difficulties – they see the art in the hall. They come to art to sit and relax. She encouraged the Board to come in and walk through the art classes. It is a shame to cut the art program further. She is speaking for the students on that. Delaware Academy is a powerhouse of a school and she takes great pride to say she’s working here this year.</p>	Reid-Jackson
<p>Ms. Julia Delaney commented that she doesn’t think DA should cut art. She takes art and it is a calming period. Her brother has issues and uses Lego’s as a form of expressing himself. She is scared to think that he will have no way to express himself because the art program will be cut; there will be less of a way for him to know what he wants to do in life.</p>	Delaney
<p>Ms. Marissa Tucker addressed the Board of Education. She is a 2006 graduate. She had no idea what she wanted to do, but she was fortunate to have 20+ art teachers in her family. She took every art class. She attended RIT, Medical Illustration Science Art. She graduated with a 4.0 high honors. She moved to Scotland and worked doing forensic facial reconstruction. She helps age children that are missing. Don’t cut art.</p>	Tucker
<p>Molly Karlin addressed the Board of Education. She is a science kid. She’s been given the opportunity to be in an AP Bio class and to dive into science even though there are only two in the class. So many people want to be in the class and she knows she was given a great opportunity. She has received scholarships to help for it. She hopes the Board doesn’t cut art. Delaware Academy gave her an opportunity – give others a chance. She hopes they can keep art so they can go to college.</p>	Karlin
<p>Ms. Ro Avila, Delhi, New York, addressed the Board. She invites the Board to think about the 1.46% and keep the .5 FTE position.</p>	Avila
<p>Mr. Mark Kline, Science Teacher addressed the Board. He noted that he sees some former science students here tonight and the science department is taking cuts as well. There are cuts throughout the district. Mr. Black had both of his children and he thanked the Board for the opportunities they had. Mr. Black taught drafting course to his son. His son, Sean is now in his third year taking computerized drafting. Because he was able to take drafting here at Delaware Academy it helped Sean get a job. He is happy with what he’s doing. Mr. Kline is grateful to the district. He is here to support everyone else. It is depressing to see colleagues being cut and he is not the only one here thinking that thought. It is all about the students. His daughter, Katie had portfolios – all with the help of her teacher’s here. The point is, that beyond everything else, he’s afraid this won’t help students. He asked the Board to take another look for the students.</p>	Kline Kline continued
<p>Mr. Peter Hannigan, Science Teacher addressed the Board. He would like to reiterate what everyone else is saying. Mr. Hannigan referred to a book titled <u>Chemistry Imaged</u> by Roald Hoffman and Vivian Torrence. This book is a great example of how</p>	Hannigan

<p>artwork ties into other areas of study. In this book every section of the book in writing is included with drawings. Art is infused in every area of life.</p>	
<p>The Board thanked everyone for coming to the meeting tonight and for their comments.</p>	
<p>Routine Matters –</p>	<p>Routine Matters</p>
<p>On a motion made by Vice President Glenn Nealis, seconded by Trustee Wayne Oliver, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on March 24, 2014, the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting held on March 31, 2014, and the Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting held on April 1, 2014 as submitted. There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion unanimously carried.</p>	<p>Minutes</p>
<p>On a motion made by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, seconded by Trustee, Wayne Oliver, the Board of Education approved the Treasurer’s Report and the Smith Barney Report on the A.L. Kellogg Educational Fund Investment for March 2014 as submitted. There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion unanimously carried.</p>	<p>Financial Reports</p>
<p>On a motion made by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, seconded by Trustee, Wayne Oliver, the Board of Education approved the following personnel recommendations by the Superintendent pending fingerprint clearance:</p>	<p>Personnel</p>
<p>Retirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Morales, Susan M., Speech-Language Pathologist, with regret, effective June 30, 2014.</i> 	<p>Retirements Morales</p>
<p>The Board thanked Ms. Morales for her many years and support, and they wished her well in her future endeavors.</p>	
<p>Resignations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Carrington, Evelyn, Teacher Aide, effective March 31, 2014</i> • <i>Merino-Flores, Javier, Custodial Worker, effective April 25, 2014</i> 	<p>Resignations Carrington Merino-Flores</p>
<p>Correction to March 24, 2014 Personnel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zwick, Gary, Custodial Worker, Effective February 28, 2014 should have read retired not resigned. 	<p>Correction Zwick</p>
<p>Provisional Appointments: <i>No provisional appointments for April 2014</i></p>	
<p>Probationary Appointments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Pringle, Ellen, Elementary Teacher, Certification area: Childhood Education Grades 1-6, 10 month, probationary period: April 22, 2014 – April 30, 2016, Salary as per DAFA Agreement.</i> 	<p>Probationary Pringle, E.</p>
<p>Permanent Appointments: <i>No permanent appointments for April 2014.</i></p>	
<p>Substitute Appointments pending Fingerprint Clearance – April 22, 2014 – June 30, 2014:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Baker, Talia, Instructional/Non-Instructional</i> • <i>Fisher, Edward, Bus Driver</i> 	<p>Substitutes Baker Fisher</p>
<p>Leave of Absence Requests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Layman, Stacy, ELA AIS Teacher, effective March 25, 2014 to June 30, 2014</i> 	

<p>Leave Replacements: <i>No leave replacements for the month of April 2014.</i></p> <p>Tenure Appointments: <i>No tenure appointments for the month of April 2014.</i></p> <p>Co-Curricular Appointments: <i>No co-curricular appointments for the month of April 2014.</i></p> <p>Coaching Appointments – Stipends per DAFA Agreements: <i>No coaching appointments for April 2014.</i></p> <p>Volunteer Appointments: <i>No volunteer appointments for April 2014.</i></p> <p>Honorary Budget Vote Poll Workers – May 20, 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>McKeegan, Stephanie, non-paid</i> • <i>Peck, Brittany, non-paid</i> <p>There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion unanimously carried.</p> <p>On a motion made by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, seconded by Trustee, Wayne Oliver, the Board of Education approved the CSE Recommendations as submitted by the CSE Chairperson for April 2014. There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion unanimously carried.</p> <p>Reports –</p> <p>Ms. Judith Byam, Elementary Principal reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As mentioned last month, teachers have prepared packets to send home with students at the end of the school year. Included in the packets are activities and resources for parents. Members of the newly formed Delaware Academy Elementary PTO contributed ideas for possible field trips for families over the summer. These ideas will be added to the packets to be sent home. • I am prepared to share data from the Journeys benchmarks, #1 and #3, for the 2013-14 school year. Ms. Byam provided a handout for the Board members only. Because the benchmarks are given in different formats: some on paper, some online, this data report puts all of the information in a similar format for all grade levels. The spreadsheet indicates the test question, the number of children with incorrect responses, total number enrolled in the grade level and what unit and lesson each test question was pulled from. It breaks the comparison down by teacher. Teachers were given this information to discuss in the weekly Journeys meetings; sharing ideas and resources. It gives the teachers the opportunity look at individual student’s data and re-teach the targeted skills. Mr. Thomson and I have also met with teachers to discuss the data and plans for improving student success. • Ms. Byam also, shared a chart that gives a breakdown on testing K-5 to the Board members. <p>The Board thanked Ms. Byam for her report.</p> <p>Ms. Laurie Alberti, MS/HS Principal reported: MS/HS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She attended the NTHS on March 26th in which Collin S. and Catherine D. were inducted. 	<p>Honorary Poll Workers McKeegan Peck</p> <p>CSD Recommendations</p> <p>Reports Elementary</p> <p>Elementary continued</p> <p>MS/HS</p>
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- April 1-3 were the NYS ELA tests for grades 3-8
- The 8th grade wax museum was held on April 10th – great job!
- This Friday is the MS spring dance
- April 30th, May 1, 2 are the NYS math assessments
- 8th grade NYS science test coming up in May (21st-30th) we choose which day to administer

HS

- April 10 was our second open mic night
- She made a regents review schedule so students (and staff) are aware of which review classes are on certain days so they can plan accordingly – see below
- Regional assessments will start on May 15th
- DA has been selected for field testing in Algebra II/Trig and Chemistry. These tests take place during a class period and need to be completed by May 30th

Principal

- She's attended 3 CDOS trainings – one at her principal's monthly meeting March 21, one with Matt, Michelle, and Kim on April 3rd and one at the CSE chair monthly meeting on April 11th.
- She's been meeting with seniors who are struggling
- Ms. Alberti and Guidance have been working on the schedule and have met with all teachers who will have a change in assignments for the 14/15 school year
- She will be attending the Scholar Recognition Banquet at SUNY on May 7th
- I will also be attending the 15 annual excellence in education with Senator Bonacic on May 7th with our Valedictorian, Salutatorian, and Honored Student.
- Wednesday is Admin Assistant day

regents review schedule:

Chem - Pete H. - Tues & Thurs - starting 5/6/14

ELA - Erin H. - Wednesday - has started

US/History - Jon P. - everyday - starting 4/5/14

US/Global - John G. - Tuesday – started

US/Global – Kurt – TBA – starting 4/22/14

E. Sci - Mark K. - Monday – started

Adv. Alg. – Warren M-W-F – starting 5/5/14

Int. Alg. – Warren – T-Thurs. – starting 5/5/14

Earth Sci and Physics – John B. – M-T-W – TBA

The Board thanked Ms. Alberti for her report.

Mr. Bill Bartlett, Building and Grounds Supervisor reported:

Project update;

- Pre-bid meeting is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon at 3:30pm
- Sealed Bids opening 5/7/14 @ 3:30pm
- Bid de-scope meeting with contractors Thursday and Friday 5/7&8/14
- Bids awarded at special Board meeting Monday 4/12/14

Work over break;

- Re-painted HS gym – (estimated 25K project line item)
- Continued polishing terrazzo floors
- Cleaned and burnished elementary recess room floor
- Installed all new toilet paper dispensers with additional capacity throughout the Elementary bldg
- Extended the size of the discuss cage (to do away with the rusty metal sections) with additional poles and netting provided by Sportsfield Specialties. (Thank You)

Building & Grounds

<p>The Board thanked Mr. Bartlett for his report.</p> <p>Ms. Christine Miller, Food Service Supervisor reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 28th the Food Service Department provided dinner for area students during the All County Music Festival. • April 5th and 6th the Food Service Department assisted clubs and teams with fundraisers during the Speech and Debate Tournament. • March claim report notes with 20 serving days. We served 3475 Breakfast and 9430 Lunches. 	<p>Food Service</p>
<p>The Board thanked Ms. Miller for her report.</p> <p>Mr. Jason D. Thomson, Superintendent reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NYS Forensics Tournament on April 5 and April 6. Very successful. Thank you to all who volunteered. • Safety Excellence Award – Attended the annual safety seminar in Binghamton with Ms. Chrisman. Once Again DA received the highest award, titanium. • Gearing up for the upcoming Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections on May 20, 2014. • Police training planned for Friday, April 18 was postponed. They will reschedule for another date. 	<p>Superintendent</p>
<p>On a motion made by Trustee, Tammy Neumann, seconded by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, The Board adopted policies #7 – 20 as written.</p>	<p>Adopt Policies #7-20</p>
<p>On a motion made by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, seconded by Trustee, Seth Haight, the Board of Education entered Executive Session to discuss a personnel position, with no action to be taken, at 10:22 p.m. Ms. Laurie Alberti, Ms. Marian Chrisman, and Ms. Judi Byam were invited to attend Executive Session with the Board of Education.</p>	<p>Enter Executive Session</p>
<p>On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Trustee, Wayne Oliver, the Board returned to Open Session at 10:45 p.m.</p>	<p>Leave Executive Session</p>
<p>On a motion made by Trustee, Wayne Oliver, seconded by Vice President Glenn Nealis, the Board adopted the proposed budget to put before voters with the following resolution:</p>	<p>Adopt Proposed Budget 2014-15</p>
<p>BE IT RESOLVED, that the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi, Board of Education, Delaware County, New York, adopt a budget for the 2014-2015 school year in the amount of \$18,705,997.00 to put before voters on May 20, 2014 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.</p>	
<p>A roll call vote was taken to adopt the proposed budget with a vote resulting in 7 aye, 0 nay, and the motion carried unanimously.</p>	
<p>President, Dr. Thomas Flanders, explained to the audience that the budget adopted tonight is an expenditure budget only. The Board will go back and review line items to see what they may change; however, the amount of the budget to be voted on cannot be changed.</p>	
<p>On a motion made by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, seconded by Trustee, Mark Ackerly, the Board of Education accepted a donation from Hannaford Helps Schools Program in the amount of \$93.00 to be deposited in the Delaware Academy Elementary Activity</p>	

Account. There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion carried unanimously.

Donation –
Hannaford

On a motion made by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, seconded by Trustee, Tammy Neumann, the Board of Education approved a request from the Science Club to travel to North-South Lake Campground near Albany, New York, on May 31, 2014 – June 1, 2014 to hike and camp overnight, that district provides a school bus and bus driver, and substitutes for advisors. There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion carried unanimously.

Activity Request -
Science Club

On a motion made by Trustee, Jay Wilson, seconded by Vice President, Glenn Nealis, the Board approved a request from the technology department to surplus the following list of equipment as the items have no value:

Excess Equipment –
Technology

<u>Surplus District Technology</u>		<u>Items have no value</u>	
	3/19/2014 - 4/7/2014		
	MODEL	SERIAL NUMBER	Tag
PRINTERS	HP Laser Jet 8500n	JCPBQ11028	6999
	HP Laser Jet 4200	CNDXC13630	6793
	HP Laser Jet 3600	CNJBC04730	6862
Keyboards	Dell PS2	assorted keyboards	None
Stands	Dell GX270	Stands	None
Port Covers	Dell GX620	Covers	None
TV QUASAR 2002	VV-2002	B2AA20340	None
COMPUTERS No Hard Drives			
DELL	GX745	FXK6JD1	9392
	GX270	7SNLV71	6838
	GX270	4F68057	none
COMPUTERS DELL			
	GX270	FC68051	6623
	GX270	9F68051	6624
	GX270	8C68051	6631
	GX270	2D68051	6705
	GX270	CF68051	6794
	GX270	4D68051	6804
	GX270	GC68051	6809
	GX270	JD68051	6810
	GX270	7G68051	6811
	GX270	BF68051	6829
	GX270	HD68051	6865
	GX270	3G68051	6879
	GX270	DF68051	6884

Excess Equipment –
Technology
continued

GX270	3D68051	6886		
GX270	1F68051	none		
GX270	BC68051	none		
GX270	CC68051	6893		
GX270	FD68051	none		
GX270	2G68051	6805		
GX270	8F68051	6625		
GX270	HZT5741	6678		
GX270	2BT5741	6679		
GX270	2CT5741	6682		
GX270	8DT5741	6688		
GX270	HDT5741	6695		
GX270	C9T5741	6697		
GX270	28T5741	6701		
GX270	5WT5741	6716		
GX270	GTT5741	7127		
GX270	CDT5741	6689		
GX270	69T5741	6713		
GX270	6CT5741	6869		
GX270	2FT5741	6687		
GX270	2TNLV71	6843		
GX270	7TNLV71	6844		
GX270	BTNLV71	6831		
GX270	3TNLV71	6845		
GX270	JSNLV71	6841		
GX280	5SNLV71	6832	Excess Equipment – Technology continued	
GX280	9SNLV71	6835		
GX280	1TNLV71	6836		
GX280	HSNLV71	6846		
GX280	4TNLV71	6850		
GX280	8SNLV71	6851		
GX280	BSNLV71	6852		
GX280	TNNLV71	6853		
GX280	6TNLV71	6854		
GX280	9TNLV71	7161		
GX270	1Y26741	6686		
GX270	8W26741	6690		
GX270	HX26741	6692		
GX270	1V26741	6699		
GX270	3V26741	6700		
GX270	5V26741	6705		
GX270	CT26741	6720		
GX270	DP2Z641	6872		
GX270	3Q2Z641	6875		
GX270	2W26741			

GX620	DQ86K81	6823	
GX620	JQ86K81	6824	
GX620	GQ86K81	6825	
GX620	1R86K81	6828	
GX620	3C63LB1	7076	
GX620	BJ63LB1	7077	
GX620	2H63LB1	7079	
GX620	9C63LB1	7080	
GX620	7J63LB1	7081	
GX620	GJ63LB1	7082	
GX620	HH63LB1	7083	
GX620	FF63LB1	7085	
GX520	BD6MX81	none	
GX520	J5L4091	none	
GX520	JT29291	none	
GX520	6X5B291	none	
GX520	1Z9B291	none	
GX520	F06BT1J	none	
GX520	8S3FX81	none	
GX520	B52NF81	none	
GX520	BZT5Y81	none	
GX520	HYJJK81	none	
GX520	D0N8H91	none	
GX520	2HM4L91	none	Excess Equipment – Technology continued
GX520	9Z82L91	none	
GX520	DF3FZ81	none	
GX520	7XB9291	none	
GX520	8DKNP81	none	
GX520	9ZQDY81	none	
GX520	2YZ8291	none	
GX520	52YSZ81	none	
GX520	61YSX81	none	
GX520	JT9MBB1	none	
GX520	C083411	none	
GX520	BBJ8691	none	
GX520	HJZP891	none	
<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 Vice President, Glenn Nealis, the Board approved a request from the Athletic Department to surplus the following equipment as it is outdated, old, stained and no longer used by the department:</p> <p>18 softball bats – do not meet state regulations, old, cracked 12 basketball shorts – old, stained 18 soccer uniforms – old, stained</p>			
			Excess Equipment – Athletic

<p>4 golf shirts - old, stained 25 basketball shorts (maroon)- old, elastic worn out, stained 19 basketball jerseys (maroon) - old, 30+ years 1 field Hockey jersey (maroon) - not a complete set 1 warm-up jacket - not a complete set 15 miscellaneous polo shirts - 30+ years old 10 grey hooded sweatshirts - stained, old 2 baseball helmets - cracked 4 catchers facemasks - outdated 1 box of shin guards - do not meet regulations 10 body gard protectors – useless 14 white soccer uniforms - torn, stained, old 16 maroon soccer uniforms - torn, stained, old 8 boys tennis uniforms – no longer have a team Tennis ball machine – doesn’t work 12 girls tennis uniforms – no longer have a team 1 old tennis racquet / 1 tennis racquet carrier 5 long sleeve white soccer shirts 15 white soccer jerseys – outdated 16 maroon soccer jerseys – outdated</p> <p>Weight equipment as follows: Chest Fly Machine Calf Raise Machine Leg Extension Machine Squat Rack Bicep Curl Machine Lat Row Machine Leg Press Machine Leg Curl Machine Bench Press Machine 2 Stair Stepper machines Hex Squat machine Preacher Curl Machine</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 Vice President Glenn Nealis, the Board approved a request from the Library to surplus one overhead projector, model 3860A, serial #6158079 as it is unused and obsolete. There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee Wayne Oliver, seconded by Trustee Tammy Neumann, the Board acted on the following resolution:</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi’s Board of Education does hereby approve the proposed Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Administrative Budget for the 2014-2015 school year in the amount of \$2,136,359.00. A roll call vote resulted in 1 aye, 6 nay votes and the motion did not carry.</p> <p>There are two vacancies on the Board of Cooperative Educational Services to be filled at the annual election to be held on April 21, 2014. The Board of Education of each component school district, by resolution, may cast one vote for each vacancy to be filled, provided that no more than one vote may be cast for any candidate. No more than one person residing in a particular component school district may be elected to serve on the</p>	<p>Excess Equipment – Athletic</p> <p>Excess Equipment – Library</p> <p>DCMO BOCES Budget Vote</p> <p>DCMO BOCES BOE Vacancies</p>
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<p>Board of Cooperative Services at one time.</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi's Board of Education does hereby cast its vote for:</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee Wayne Oliver, seconded by Vice President Glenn Nealis, the Board of Education cast one vote for Richard Dillon, Hancock Central School District.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee Wayne Oliver, seconded by Vice President Glenn Nealis, the Board of Education cast one vote for Ms. Linda Zaczek, Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton Central School.</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 Mark Ackerly, the Board approved an agreement between the Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital and the Board of education for Athletic Trainer Services from August 15, 2014 – June 30, 2015. There were no questions, comments or discussion and the motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Board Comments –</p> <p>Trustee Tammy Neumann took a moment to recognize Ms. Sue Morales for her great work. Ms. Morales worked with both of her boys, in fact, her son, Sean, still gets together with Ms. Morales for lunch at times; their relationship is not superficial. Trustee Neumann thanked Ms. Morales for all she's done.</p> <p>Trustee Wayne Oliver stated he sincerely appreciates the comments and thoughts shared by the audience tonight. He said the Board will take everything into consideration and look at the budget again. He said we need to look at a contingency plan as the economy is not getting better.</p> <p>Trustee Oliver also took a moment to thank Ms. Morales for all of her years of service.</p> <p>Trustee Jay Wilson thanked Ms. Jennifer Stanton for all that she has done with the speech and debate club. He commented it was nice to see the community and kids come together to volunteer their services and he hopes the kids saw the passion that the speech and debate students had at the tournament. He thinks the speech and debate program is a nice program.</p> <p>Trustee Wilson also took a moment to thank Ms. Morales for her services.</p> <p>Trustee Seth Haight commented that he enjoyed hearing the comments tonight. The passion the community has is awesome! He thinks it is wonderful and it's nice to see the number of community members come together to make an event happen. Trustee Haight also took a moment to congratulate Ms. Morales on her retirement. He commented he remembered her from his time at Delaware Academy. One memory for him was the laughter he heard coming from her room for so many years and it is cool to see how many years she's been at Delaware Academy.</p> <p>Trustee Mark Ackerly echoed the comments made on the Forensics Tournament. It was great to see all the volunteers.</p> <p>Trustee Ackerly also congratulated Ms. Morales on her retirement and said "she will be missed."</p> <p>President, Dr. Thomas Flanders thanked Mr. Brian Rolfe for being the catalyst for</p>	<p>Agreement – MI Bassett- Athletic Services</p> <p>Board Comments Neumann</p> <p>Oliver</p> <p>Wilson</p> <p>Haight</p> <p>Ackerly</p>
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<p>tonight. He also took a moment to thank Ms. Morales for her many years of service.</p> <p>Upcoming Board of Education meeting dates: May 6, 2014 – Meet the Candidates evening, location to be determined. May 8, 2014 – Budget Hearing, HS Auditorium, 7:00 p.m. May 12, 2014 – Special Board of Education meeting to award construction project bids, HS Media Library Center, 7:00 p.m. May 19, 2014 – Regular Board of Education meeting. May 20, 2014 – Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections, MS Lobby, 12:00 Noon to 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee Jay Wilson, seconded by Vice President Glenn Nealis, the Board entered Executive Session to further discuss personnel, with no action to be taken. The Board entered Executive Session at 11:00 p.m.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee Wayne Oliver, seconded by Vice President Glenn Nealis, the Board left Executive Session at 12:10 a.m. and immediately entered back into Open Session.</p> <p>On a motion made by Trustee Tammy Neumann, seconded by Trustee Mark Ackerly, the Board of Education of the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi adjourned the Regular Board of Education meeting at 12:11 a.m. Respectfully submitted,</p> <p>Susan J. Temple District Clerk</p> <p>Attachments (12)</p>	<p>Flanders</p> <p>Upcoming Meeting Dates</p> <p>Enter Executive Session</p> <p>Leave Executive Session / Enter Open Session</p> <p>Adjournment</p>
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