

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

**Held in the Dwight Township High School Board Room  
On August 17, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**

Board President Brian Perschnick called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**PRESENT: Brian Perschnick; Kim Rodosky; Kathy Perry; Jenn Myzia; Kevin Berta; Paul Warner; Tim Henson (at 6:47 p.m.)**

**ABSENT: None**

**Also in attendance: Dr. Richard Jancek, Superintendent; Deb Conroy, Secretary; Dan Kaiser, Principal**

**REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. Kaiser reported the following numbers for enrollment as of today:

Freshmen—	60
Sophomores—	63
Juniors—	74
<u>Seniors—</u>	<u>60</u>
Total---	257

Total enrollment is 257 students, as expected. We will have 17 students attending LACC with one double enrollment, totaling 18 credits. Mr. Kaiser also noted that he has been in contact with Donna Williams regarding a possible foreign exchange student from Germany, who would be arriving on Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Jancek reported that Teacher Institute Days went very well and the building projects are progressing as scheduled.

Dr. Jancek informed the Board that a window in Mr. Kemp's office was broken on Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>. He believes it was due to a rock being thrown while a maintenance worker was mowing in front of the school.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Dr. Jancek reported that the state owes the district \$24,428.10 in late mandated categorical payments for the 2016-17 school year. They owe \$45,222.23 in late payments for the 2015-16 school year.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- 1) Minutes

- 2) Bills (June and July)
- 3) Affirm Transfer of \$2,000 from Working Cash to Bond and Interest (Debt Services)
- 4) Affirm TJ Henson, Assistant Football Coach
- 5) Approve TJ Henson, Fall Maintenance Worker
- 6) Approve FMLA Request, Justin Stevenson, 10 Days in September
- 7) Accept Resignation, Linda Dawson, District Office Administrative Assistant
- 8) Affirm Christine Ruffatti, Volunteer Volleyball Coach
- 9) Accept Resignation, Joel Steichen, JV Scholastic Bowl Coach

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

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Dr. Jancek informed the Board that there was an issue with the Greenhouse Driveway with the grading. There was a drop between 8-12" from the ground level to the concrete drive. Oppermann's feathered the sides and had landscaping done to grow the grass, but this could be an issue during the winter for snow removal.

Dr. Jancek also informed the Board that there are several major cracks in the new student parking lot. Oppermann's and Chamlin & Assoc. are aware of the issue and will come back in the spring to cut out and replace any areas with major cracks. He also noted that the bus parking is all lined and the plug-ins are ready to go.

Dr. Jancek reported that one of the light poles in the student lot is leaning. Kelly Electric can come back and adjust the pole. He also noted that the lights in that lot are on a timer and are currently on for approximately 3 hours in the evening. The lights over the fuel tanks will be on from dusk until dawn for security purposes.

Dr. Jancek noted that work is continuing on the Softball Dugouts. It could be another month before they are complete and could be further impacted by the weather. He informed the Board that all GS Softball games are being played on a field at Garrett Park.

Board Member Kim Rodosky asked about the narrow lines in the student parking lot. It was noted that there are 160 spaces for students with an expected total of vehicles in the neighborhood of 75. There were only supposed to be 135 regular spaces plus 5 handicap spaces. Due to the amount of young and inexperienced drivers using the lot, the Board members want this issue fixed to help avoid any accidents in the lot. Dr. Jancek will meet with Chamlin and Assoc. Architect Ryan Hansen to go over what can be done to repair this.

Dr. Jancek reviewed the actual 2015-16 revenues and expenditures with the 15-16 budget. He informed the Board that there was a mistake on his summary. The \$1,654 ending balance in Fund 30 should read as a negative. However, the ending fund balances are correct. He also informed the Board that the revenues are much lower due to the district not receiving expected property tax money from Grundy County. That tax money is typically received on June 30<sup>th</sup> but is actually for the following fiscal year. The amount that was budgeted was not received because the Grundy County tax bills went out late. The district received only approximately 10% of what was budgeted. These tax funds will now come in the proper school year and will show as revenue for the 2016-17 school year. Dr. Jancek will have a discussion with representatives from the First National Bank of Dwight about making certain these tax receipts are no longer posted in the incorrect fiscal year at the bank.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. Jancek introduced Francis Zelek as his recommendation for the open K-12 Technology Director position. Zelek will have a 2-year contract, with total salary rate of \$70,000 (split with GS), 4.5% Board-paid IMRF, for a 261-day contract and 20 vacation days, plus all other benefits as other support staff. All amounts will be pro-rated for the 16-17 school year. The 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the contract places total salary at \$72,100.00, to be split 50/50 with the GS.

Moved by Perry, seconded by Berta, to approve the employment of Francis Zelek for K-12 Technology Director, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented his first draft of the 2016-17 budget. He noted that the proposed expenditures in Fund 60 include a portion of the Baseball Dugout Project slated to begin next summer. He also noted that FCCLA Travel has gone over budget the last few years due to their attendance at the FCCLA National Conference. Discussion was held regarding increasing their budget and Dr. Jancek will budget what he feels is appropriate. He was also asked by Mr. Kemp if the Board would support the purchase of a new Gator for the athletic program. The approximate cost of a new Gator would be \$9,000. Due to multiple ownership of the current Gator, Dr. Jancek noted that if the school purchases a new one he would like it to be for school use only. He would donate the current Gator to the Village, as one of the multiple owners, so that they could use it for their needs. The Board members were in support of both of these suggestions. The proposed budget will be updated with these changes and will be on display until the September Board meeting, at which time the Board will vote on the proposal.

Dr. Jancek presented proposed Board policy updates for the first reading. He will present these again at the September meeting for final approval.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A comment was received from Midge Fogarty regarding the date of budget approval.

Moved by Myzia, seconded by Rodosky, to go into Executive Session at 6:47 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; According to Section 2, subsection c, #1 of the Open Meetings Act; and, to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; According to Section 2, subsection c, #2 of the Open Meetings Act. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Berta, seconded by Henson, to exit Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Rodosky, seconded by Perry, to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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Debbie Conroy, Secretary, District #230

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Brian Perschnick, President, District #230