MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF DWIGHT COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT #232

Held in the Dwight Common School District Library On March 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Board President Marc Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Marc Ellis; Bo Partney; Nick Stipanovich; Joel Funk; Kim Frauli (6:07 p.m.); Michael Cornale; Eugene Mortensen

ABSENT: None

Also in attendance: Dr. Richard Jancek, Superintendent; Deb Conroy, Secretary; Ben Bailey, Principal; Brandon Owens, Asst. Principal/AD

PUBLIC COMMENT

Nick Stipanovich informed the Board that he had received a phone call from a parent asking to look into our school notification system regarding too many non-emergency calls. He asked if we could perhaps text or email the non-emergency messages instead of calling. Dr. Jancek will check with the Technology Department to see about this.

NOTICES, COMMUNICATIONS or RECOGNITIONS

Mr. Bailey recognized Mary Schultz for her nomination for the June Scobee Rodgers Innovative Educator Award. She is 1 out of 43 nominated nationwide and we will find out the name of the winner in June.

Mr. Bailey recognized Teacher Sarah Jones. She has been offered continuing professional development through the Regional Office of Education in the areas of math and science. She was also able to add a colleague in this P.D. and that colleague is fellow Teacher Sam Bastian.

Mr. Owens recognized the 7th Grade Boys Basketball team and Coach Conroy, who were in attendance at the meeting, for their successful season that ended with an appearance in the Elite 8.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Owens introduced Wrestlers Sam Edwards, Emmett Emmons, Malachi Slaughter and Dillon Sarff. He informed the Board that the Wrestling program had a very successful season, sending these 4 wrestlers to the state series last weekend. Malachi Slaughter ended his season with a 4th place medal and Dillon

Sarff became State Champion in his weight class, which is a first for either DGS or DTHS. He thanked the Wrestlers and coaches Dan Edwards and Paul Warner for a great season.

Mr. Owens reported that an assembly on bullying was held for 5th-8th grade students.

Mr. Owens distributed copies of the new mascot to the Board. After speaking with a different representative from ISU regarding the copyright violation, it was found that it would only cost \$1 per year for us to keep our current logo basically the same through ISU.

Mr. Bailey reported on the results of his recent shadowing analysis.

Dr. Jancek reported that earlier this week we had a Food Service audit. Results on this audit are forthcoming and he will share those as soon as he receives them.

Dr. Jancek announced that one of the major projects being done this summer will be to paint the outside panels of the building and Jack Connor is working on getting everything in place for this project.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Dr. Jancek reported that the state currently owes \$141,520.24 in late mandated categorical payments for the 2017-18 school year.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Bills
- 3) Approve Tenure Status, Jessica Law
- 4) Approve Tenure Status, Sarah Jones

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

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bailey announced that he has accepted a Principal position in Virginia. He submitted a letter of resignation and thanked the Board and Administration for their support during his time in the district.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Frauli, to accept the resignation of Principal Ben Bailey as presented. Roll call. Ellis voted no. All others voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Bailey, Dr. Jancek and School Liaison Officer Gary Beier reviewed some possible school safety and security upgrades that they are looking at for the building. They are trying to keep as up to date as possible on security measures that could improve the safety of our students and staff.

Dr. Jancek informed the Board that GSW is revoking the Intergovernmental Agreement for a shared Social Worker. The needs for a Social Worker are increasing in their district and they want our shared employee to go to full-time status in the 2018-19 school year. Dr. Jancek is investigating opportunities to employ a Social Worker part-time through the Pre-K grant. This would allow the district to pay for the other half of their salary and benefits and hire them on a full-time basis. Jillian Wills is our current shared employee with GSW.

Dr. Jancek also announced that the Intergovernmental Agreement for shared music services has been cancelled for the 2018-19 school year. South Wilmington GS wants out of the agreement. This would leave Dwight and Gardner with openings for a part-time music teacher. They are currently working on a solution to this issue and he hopes to have a plan in place in the near future.

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Funk, to go into Executive Session at 6:41 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 Illinois Open Meetings Act. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Frauli, seconded by Funk, to exit Executive Session at 6:59 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the list of non-tenured teachers for re-hire (number of years is the number completed at the end of the 2017-18 school year):

- 1) Chuck Butterbrodt—year #2
- 2) Sarah Jones—year #4 (awarded tenure)
- 3) Jana Kinkin—year #2
- 4) Jessica Law—year #4 (awarded tenure)
- 5) Ali Severson—year #2
- 6) Christine Stephens—year #2
- 7) Drew Smith—year #1

Moved by Funk, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve re-hire of the non-tenured teachers as listed for the 2018-19 school year. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Mortensen, seconded by Partney, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

	Debbie Conroy, Secretary, District #232
Marc Ellis, President, District #232	