

**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 May 9, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.**

Board President Marc Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Marc Ellis; Bo Partney; Nick Stipanovich; Michael Cornale

ABSENT: Joel Funk; Kim Frauli; Eugene Mortenson

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NOTICES, COMMUNICATIONS or RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Jancek informed the board that Barb Svornik, Patricia Aldrich and Stephanie Flott have been approved as a presenter for the 2018 Illinois Reading Council Conference.

Dr. Jancek informed the board that there will be a Special Joint Board Meeting on June 13, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Grade School Library. The meeting will be with a representative from the Livingston County Economic Alliance to explore the school district opening up an Enterprise Zone.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Owens added to his current report that a 4x200 boys team won Sectionals and will be competing at Boys Track State.

Mr. Bailey reported that he will email the SAMS report that is missing from his report tomorrow to the board members. He also gave updates on how the hiring process is going for the open positions. He has recommendations for the Social Worker, Special Education Teacher and PE/Health Teacher position to present to the board. They are in the process of interviewing for the 3rd Grade Teacher and Paraprofessional positions. The Technology position will be filled with in house staff.

Dr. Jancek reported on an issue that was brought to him about waiving tuition for any employee's children that would like to attend DGS or DTHS. The only problem he ran into was if a student of a

Grade School Employee attended the High School, they would not be allowed to participate in any IHSA sports, and vice versa. The board decided to look into the issue and work with the High School board to create a Board Policy.

Next, Dr. Jancek reported that all summer workers have been hired. Jack Conner is working on getting the final summer project list done and getting the supplies ordered.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Dr. Jancek reported that the state currently owes \$59,770.04 in late mandated categorical payments for the 2017-18 school year.

Dr. Jancek also reported that we are still waiting to see how much the Grade School will be awarded for the 2018-2019 School Year for the Pre-K Grant. He informed the board that he has a positive feeling that the school will be rewarded grant money for the 2018-2019 school year. He was also informed that there was some additional money left over for the 2017-2018 Pre-K Grant, and he worked together with Jack Connor, Ms. Kinkin and Ms. Kargle to request some additional funding for this year. The proposal includes playground equipment, a water line, shed, furniture and curriculum.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 1) Approve Minutes
- 2) Approve Bills
- 3) Accept Resignation, Deb Erschen, Classroom Aide
- 4) Employ Deb Erschen, Custodian
- 5) Employ TBA, Special Education Aide
- 6) Employ TBA, Special Education Aide
- 7) Employ Amy Prokop-Leckrone, Special Education Teacher
- 8) Employ Michael Machetta, PE / Health Teacher
- 9) Employ Brittani Dahlman, Social Worker (Pending Licensure)
- 10) Accept Resignation, Alexandria Severson

Moved by Sitpanovich, seconded by Partney, to remove items 5 and 6 from the consent agenda and approve items 1 through 4 and 7 through 10. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dr. Jancek presented the 3% increases for all support staff that was discussed at the April Board Meeting. Moved by Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve a 3% raise for all support staff beginning the 2018-2019 school year. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Technology Specialists Logan Murrery and Eric Long presented the Rival 5 phone contract. This company hosts phone solutions and intercom services. This contract would allow a phone in each room with their extensions. The upfront cost is a little more than their competitor's, but this includes the newest phones and a system that covers all needs. If the contract is approved, installation will happen over the summer. The board directed the Tech Specialists to look into installing a backup phone in the office in case of emergencies.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the Rival 5 Contract as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek stated again that there is extra money for the 2017-18 Pre-K Grant and the proposal had already been turned into the state.

Dr. Jancek inquired from the board if there were any board members interested in attending the Triple I Conference and what the board was looking to pay toward each attendee. After some discussion, the board has decided to cover the registration and mileage of any attendee.

Mr. Bailey presented the list of 8th graders who have qualified for promotion to the High School. Moved by Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the 8th Grade Promotions as presented, pending successful completion of all requirements. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the substitute list to the board. Moved by Partney, seconded by Cornale, to approve the 2018-2019 substitute list for continuation of employment as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the community volunteer list to the board. Moved by Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the 2018-2019 community volunteer list as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Bailey presented the Summer Reading Program to the board. The proposal consists of 12 days for the reading program from 8:00am to noon each day, split into three different sections with maximum of 8 students per one teacher. The program would run from July 23rd to August 9th.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the Summer Reading Program as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the list of Board Meeting dates and times for the 2018-2019 year. All meetings will be held in the Grade School Library beginning at 6:00PM on the following dates:

-) Wednesday, August 8, 2018
-) Wednesday, September 12, 2018
-) Wednesday, October 10, 2018
-) Wednesday, November 14, 2018

-) Wednesday, December 12, 2018
-) Wednesday, January 9, 2019
-) Wednesday, February 13, 2019
-) Wednesday, March 13, 2019
-) Wednesday, April 10, 2019
-) Wednesday, May 8, 2019
-) Wednesday, June 12, 2019

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Partney, to approve the 2018-2019 Board Meeting dates and time as listed above. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented the 2018-2019 IESA Membership and Dues of \$855.00.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Cornale, to approve the IESA membership and dues for the 2018-2019 School Year as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Bailey presented the 2018-2019 Title I District Plan to the board and noted that this is a state board mandate and it is similar to last year's plan.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Partney, to approve the 2018-2019 Title I District Plan as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to go into Executive Session at 6:52 PM 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 Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to exit Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented the list of coaches and advisors for the 2018-219 School Year, noting that the positons of head wrestling coach and 6th grade volleyball coach are open.

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Partney, to approve the re-employment of coaches and advisors for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Partney, to approve the 2018-2018 school year Support Staff re-employment as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the contract for Brandon Owens beginning the 2018-2019 school year as principal. The contract includes board paid TRS, a monthly insurance stipend of \$605 and 20 vacation days. His

salary will be \$78,500 for the 2018-2019 school year; \$80,855 for the 2019-2020 school year; \$83,855 for the 2020-2021 school year.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the Building Principal contract for Brandon Owens beginning the 2018-2019 school year as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the contract for Julie Schultz beginning the 2018-2019 school year as athletic director and assistant principal. The contract includes board paid TRS, and a monthly insurance stipend of \$605. Her salary will be \$67,500 for the 2018-2019 school year; \$69,525 for the 2019-2020 school year; \$71,610 for the 2020-2021 school year.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Partney, to approve the Assistant Principal/Athletic Director contract for Julie Schultz beginning the 2018-2019 school year as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Partney, to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Jill Haacke, Acting-Secretary, District #232

Marc Ellis, President, District #232