

**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 August 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**

Board President Marc Ellis called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Marc Ellis; Bo Partney; Nick Stipanovich; Kim Frauli; Michael Cornale

**ABSENT:** Joel Funk; Gene Mortensen

**Also in attendance:** Deb Conroy, Secretary; Ben Bailey, Principal; Brandon Owens, Asst. Principal/AD

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

Moved by Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to go into Executive Session at 6:08 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 Partney, seconded by Cornale, to exit Executive Session at 6:19 p.m. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. Owens reported that Softball began last week and Baseball begins this Saturday at Renfrew Park until the HS Baseball Dugout Project is complete.

Mr. Owens also reported that he had a resignation in 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball and he will be looking to fill that immediately.

Mr. Bailey reported that current enrollment stands between 541-551 students. School begins on August 21<sup>st</sup>. He also reported that the cabinets have arrived for the Science room.

Board President Marc Ellis read the Superintendent's Report as follows:

The districts now have 3 new white Activity buses for use. The DTHS BOE will vote on a Teamster's/Bus Driver contract at their regular August meeting.

### **Maintenance:**

The Office/Library AC should have been working by August 4<sup>th</sup>; however, there have been further issues and it is still not working.

Mike's Glass will repair the broken window and glass door that were broken by a rock thrown by the mower; they also will provide a quote for a solution to our exterior window panel issue.

Dr. Jancek has purchased new cafeteria tables. The old wall mounted tables are becoming a safety hazard to operate.

The floor that covers the sewer line will be temporarily secured until a decision is made to fix it permanently.

Due to construction of the new Baseball dugouts, all baseball games will be played at Renfrew Park until he notifies the AD differently. He hopes that the dugout will be done in time to play a couple of season-end games there, but he is unsure at this time if it will be ready.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Dr. Jancek reported that the state currently owes \$202,060.54 in late mandated categorical payments for the 2016-17 school year. Dr. Jancek is waiting to hear when state payments will begin for the 2017-18 school year, but he is certain it would not be before September. He will continue to monitor our financial position as payroll and other bills continue to be paid.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Bills (June and July)
- 3) Accept Resignation, Mike Guerrero, Music Teacher
- 4) Accept Resignation, Kathy Wiemken, Technology Specialist/Teacher
- 5) Approve FMLA Request, Erin Hablutzel, Teacher
- 6) Affirm Kaitlyn Masching, Softball Volunteer Assistant (DTHS Student)
- 7) Affirm Brian Trainor, Baseball B Team Coach (Step 1)
- 8) Affirm Adam Handzus/Joel Sandeno, Baseball Volunteer Assistants

Due to questions regarding FMLA requirements, item #5 was tabled until the September Board meeting. Board member Kim Frauli requested to vote separately on item #8. Board President Ellis requested to vote separately on item #3.

Moved by Frauli, seconded by Cornale, to approve the Consent Agenda items #1-2, 4, and 6-7 as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Frauli, to approve the resignation of Band Teacher Mike Guerrero, as presented. Roll call. Ellis voted no. All others voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Cornale, to affirm Adam Handzus and Joel Sandeno as Volunteer Baseball Assistant Coaches, as presented. Roll call. Frauli voted no. All others voted aye. Motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Dr. Jancek explained that Results Physical Therapy's information was inadvertently entered into the Board agendas for both districts in June for approval. The district actually uses Hillman Therapy and Dr. Jancek requested rescindment of the approval for Results PT.

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Frauli, to approve the rescindment of approval of Results PT for our physical therapy services for the 2017-18 school year, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Bailey presented several proposals for the purchase and installation of additional security cameras to the Board. After much discussion, the Board felt that the Administration should approve the purchase and installation of new cameras at their discretion, and not to exceed a total cost of \$19,000. These cameras would be paid for out of Fund 60 (sales tax money).

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Frauli, to approve the purchase and installation of additional security cameras as per Administrative discretion, not to exceed a total cost of \$19,000. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the actual expenditures and revenues of the 2016-17 school year vs. the budgeted amounts. The district actually ended the FY better than expected. The total fund balance projected was \$3,061,173 and the actual ending balance was \$3,117,775.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. Jancek reported that Hillman Pediatric Physical Therapy has provided our PT services for the past year and he would like to continue to contract with them.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Frauli, to affirm Hillman Pediatric Physical Therapy to perform any PT services for the 2017-18 school year, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board needs to annually approve our Serious Safety Hazard Designation Route (any routes north of Route 17 and east of Route 47). This route continues to exist and remains a safety hazard for students to cross.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve and verify the Serious Safety Hazard Designation Remains Unchanged and Continues to Exist, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented a Memo of Understanding between Heartland Head Start and the GS for approval. Heartland works with our Pre-K program and this agreement is a stipulation of receiving the Block Grant from which we pay for the entire Pre-K program.

Moved by Frauli, seconded by Partney, to affirm the Memo of Understanding between Heartland Head Start and the Dwight Common School District #232 (Pre-K Grant), as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Bailey recommended Andrew (Drew) Smith for the open Band Teacher position for the 2017-18 school year. He will be placed at BS+0, Step 2 on the salary schedule.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Partney, to approve the employment of Andrew Smith as the Band Teacher for the 2017-18 school year, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Mr. Bailey recommended Heidi Van De Voort to fill the Choir Director position. Van De Voort has been contracted to be our Chorus Teacher through Gardner Elementary School, along with South Wilmington Elementary. She would be placed at Step 2 on the Athletic stipend matrix.

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Frauli, to approve the employment of Heidi Van De Voort as the Choir Director for the 2017-18 school year, as presented. Roll call. Cornale abstained. All others voted aye. Motion carried.

Item #6 was removed from the agenda with no action.

Dr. Jancek recommended moving part-time Custodian John Scott from 2<sup>nd</sup> shift to 1<sup>st</sup> shift. Scott has the mechanical skills to do light maintenance during the day, plus custodial duties. He will remain part-time. Evening Custodian Mark Bruce will begin a mid-day shift, starting at 12:30-9:00 on M,T, Th, F and starting at 11:30-8:00 on Wednesdays. Frank Tomac moves to the evening shift. All of these moves will begin on Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. Dr. Jancek recommended increasing Scott's hourly rate to \$12.36 due to this increase in duties.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Cornale, to approve the wage adjustment for John Scott to \$12.36/hour beginning August 21<sup>st</sup>, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Each year, the districts apply for e-rate funding reimbursement for technology and communications services for the prior year. In order to maximize our reimbursements, Dr. Jancek is recommending a

contract with an e-rate consulting service, E-Rate Funding Solutions, LLC. The contract would be a 3-year agreement divided between the 2 districts, at an annual cost of \$1,500 plus 8% of any recovered e-rate rebates back to the districts.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the contract with E-Rate Funding Solutions, LLC, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Board members discussed the proposed Budget expenditures and revenues, along with the proposed 17-18 Risk Management funding. There will be some changes made as numbers are finalized. Currently the budget proposed is a final deficit in overall funds of \$95,806. The proposed Budget will be on display in the District Office until the date of the next Board meeting, when it will be presented for approval.

Moved by Partney, seconded by Frauli, to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

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Debbie Conroy, Secretary, District #232

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Marc Ellis, President, District #232