

**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 December 13, 2017 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; Joel Funk; Michael Cornale; Eugene Mortensen

ABSENT: Kim Frauli

Also in attendance: Dr. Richard Jancek, Superintendent; Deb Conroy, Secretary; Ben Bailey, Principal

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NOTICES, COMMUNICATIONS OR RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Jancek thanked Jack Connor for his help in the Maintenance Department at the GS over the past several months and moving forward. He also thanked Chuck Trainor for his work at the softball and baseball fields. Trainor has donated his time, equipment and materials in further upkeep and beautification of our fields and this work is much appreciated by the schools.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Owens' report stands as read.

Mr. Bailey reported that we have one additional student starting in January, along with the possibility of 3 more, making our possible enrollment for January at 555 students.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Dr. Jancek reported that the state currently owes \$134,342.74 in late mandated categorical payments for the 2017-18 school year and \$33,939.77 for the 2016-17 school year.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Bills
- 3) Approve FMLA Request, Tony Noonan
- 4) Accept Resignation, Brandon Owens, 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
- 5) Approve Employment, Jeff Froelich, 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
- 6) Approve Employment, Dan Edwards, Head Wrestling Coach
- 7) Affirm Employment, Morgan Wunsch, Long Term Teacher Substitute
- 8) Affirm Employment, Cynthia Kromka, Long Term Custodian Substitute

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dr. Jancek informed the Board that we contacted Iowa State regarding any copyright issues with our chosen mascot. They indicated that it would be an issue meaning that we will not be able to use the old logo. Dr. Jancek's recommendation is to pay ISU the \$259 for a 10-year agreement to use the Redbird within a "D" logo. The Board members want to look into establishing our own logo and get it copyrighted so that we don't have to deal with this issue in the future. The administration will look into what we can do to create our own logo and bring back recommendations to the Board.

Dr. Jancek presented the proposed 2017 Tax Levy Rates and Extension for final approval. The levy rate would increase by 4.98%, or approximately \$177,677, over last year's extension.

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Mortensen, to approve the 2017 Tax Levy Rate and Extension as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Jancek presented the proposed choices for employee insurance for 2018, as submitted by the Insurance Committee:

Medical Insurance: Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois
Dental Insurance: Humana
Vision Insurance: Humana
Life Insurance: Dearborn National

Moved by Mortensen, seconded by Cornale, to approve Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois as our employee medical insurance provider for 2018, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Cornale, to approve Humana as our employee dental and vision insurance provider for 2018, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Mortensen, to approve Dearborn National as our employee life insurance provider for 2018, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Dr. Jancek presented the Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits Report for 2017 for approval.

Moved by Mortensen, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits Report for 2017 as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Mortensen, to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Debbie Conroy, Secretary, District #232

Marc Ellis, President, District #232