

Budget Workshop and Regular Meeting of the Board of Education (Monday, May 23, 2022)
Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi
High School Auditorium
2 Sheldon Drive, Delhi, NY 13753
5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Tammy Neumann, Seth Haight, Lucy Kelly, James Tucker, Jr., Sean Leddy, Kimberly Shephard, Lauren Raba, and Abbriele Leahy

Others Present: Kelly M. Zimmerman, Superintendent, Lisa A. Kulaski, District Clerk, Julie Mable, Elementary Principal, Carey Shultz, Business Administrator, Kristen Shearer, Director of Special Education and Student Services, Christine Miller, Food Service Supervisor, Luke Potrzeba, Director of Technology, Gregg Verspoor, Director of Transportation, David Cicio, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, Brian Rolfe, Mat White, Thomas Worden, Sylvia Liddle and Mark Schneider.

Opening of Meeting:

Call to Order:

President, Tammy Neumann called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 5:10 p.m.

Enter an Executive Session:

On a motion made by Sean Leddy, seconded by James Tucker, Jr., the Board of Education entered Executive Session to discuss matters regarding employment of a particular person, with no action to be taken, at 5:11 p.m.

Leave Executive Session:

On a motion made by Lucy Kelly, seconded by Lauren Raba, the Board of Education left Executive Session at 6:05 p.m.

Opening of Meeting:

Call to Order:

President, Tammy Neumann called the Open Session of the Board of Education to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:14 p.m.

Presentations:

A. Presentation by Aptegey on the new District website.

Superintendent Kelly Zimmerman started talking about the District website. She stated that there was a BETA version of the new website created. She had engaged the community with a survey regarding what they had looked at with the website. The responses included that navigation and search functionality were difficult and that the overall theme and layout were not easy to follow. The community was then turning to social media if they could not find information on the website.

She introduced Jordan Kent and Nick Lewis from Aptegey, a third party web designer and Dodie Sherman of Broome-Tioga BOCES, who all appeared virtually to give an overview on the new website. They stated that the goal was to get the community more engaged by aligning the communication with both the website and through an app available for use on mobile devices. In that way the social media platform, app and website are all updated at once and show the same information.

The Board thanked Mr. Lewis, Mr. Kent and Ms. Sherman for their presentation.

B. Presentation by Senior class members on the Student Code of Conduct and Backpacks

Ms. Sylvia Liddle and Mr. Thomas Worden gave a presentation on the Student Code of Conduct and backpacks. They presented a proposed change to the Code of Conduct to allow the use of backpacks by students during the school day. Mr. Worden discussed reasoning for why backpack use was not allowed, including the potential of a backpack to be used to carry drugs or weapons and the storage of backpacks in classrooms and how it might impact egress during a fire drill. He presented data and facts regarding drug use and weapons in schools to reason that banning backpacks would not prevent these things from occurring. Ms. Liddle spoke about the advantages of the revision, including improved student and administrator rapport and that enforcement becomes tedious for administrators and nagging for students. She also said that carrying backpacks incurs no cost to the student and allows them to take their learning into their own hands. They summed that the proposal boiled down to the core of the district vision which is preparing students to excel in their lives beyond high school. The data they presented does not support the efficacy of the current policy and adapting the policy will represent a boost to the quality of life for the students.

Trustee Kelly said the one point that was not addressed was the weight of a backpack and how that would impact the students. Ms. Liddle answered that there are a lot of books and materials that need to be carried to various classes. Sometimes there is no time to return to a locker between classes. She reconciled that carrying the materials in your arms could also be straining. The combination of having a locker and a backpack would alleviate the stress some students face.

Trustee Leddy stated that he thought the presentation was very well thought out, well prepared and well presented. He asked if this change would be for the middle school and high school or just the high school. Mr. Worden stated that this amendment would be for both the middle school and high school.

Superintendent Zimmerman stated she is in full support of this change as the students have demonstrated what the District's vision is and how this change ties into that. She instructed that before any change can be made to the code of conduct a public hearing is required. She asked the board to approve a public hearing to be held. She also asked the students to lead the public hearing and to answer any questions the public may have at the hearing.

On a motion made by Seth Haight, seconded by Kimberly Shephard, the Board of Education approved a resolution to hold a public hearing to explore the topic of backpacks being used in the building during school time and revision of the language in the Student Code of Conduct as it pertains to backpack use. There were no further questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

The Board thanked Ms. Liddle and Mr. Worden for their presentation.

Public Comments:

President, Tammy Neumann, opened the floor to public comments.

Mark Schneider, a resident of Bovina Center appeared. He and his wife, Julie Hilson, have 3 children who have attended Delaware Academy. The youngest is currently in Kindergarten. He appeared to express gratitude on behalf of his wife and himself for the wonderful support that they have received from school personnel regarding some anxiety and mental health issues that his third child was experiencing as a Kindergartener. He said he wanted to celebrate those who helped his son and included the classroom teacher, guidance counselor, Elementary School Principal, school nurse, office staff, specialist teachers, other classroom teachers, Superintendent, kindergarten students, school custodian and all other elementary students.

The Board thanked Mr. Schneider for his comments.

No one else appeared with public comments.

Routine Matters:

A. Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 20, 2022

On a motion made by Kimberly Shephard, seconded by Lauren Raba, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting held on April 20, 2022. There were no further questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

B. Approve Minutes of the Special Meeting held on May 9, 2022

On a motion made by Seth Haight, seconded by Lucy Kelly, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Board of Education Special Meeting held on May 9, 2022. There were no further questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

C. Personnel Recommendations

On a motion made by Kimberly Shephard, seconded by Lauren Raba, the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approved the personnel recommendations as submitted, and upon fingerprint clearance:

RESIGNATIONS

Name	Position	Reason	Effective
Shearer, Kristen	Director of Special Education and Student Services	To take a position elsewhere.	6/30/2022
Galietta, Jackie	P/T Kitchen Helper		5/24/2022

RETIREMENTS

Name	Position	Effective
Reinmann, Margaret	Administrative Aide	8/12/2022

UNCLASSIFIED APPOINTMENTS - 4 Year Probationary Appointments

Name	Position/Dept.	Appointment	Effective	Tenure Area	Certification	Salary
Somers, Michelle	Technology/Agriculture Teacher/Middle School/High School	Probationary	5/24/2022	Special Subject Tenure Area: Agriculture	Classroom Teacher Emergency COVID-19 Agriculture	\$47,050.00

*Effective date noted as above unless extended in accordance with the law. This expiration date is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by applicable provisions of Section 3012³ of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher/administrator must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher/administrator receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period, the teacher/administrator shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

Note: Employment is contingent upon clearance from the State Education Department to comply with the fingerprinting provisions of Project Save.

UNCLASSIFIED APPOINTMENTS – Temporary Appointments

Name	Position/Dept.	Appointment	Effective	Tenure Area	Certification	Salary
Hoffman, Cheyanne	Leave Replacement, Elementary, Grade 1	Temporary	Retroactive to 9/2/2021 to 6/30/2022	Elementary	Nursery, Kindergarten & Grades 1-6 Permanent Certificate; Social Studies 7-12 Permanent Certificate	Salary adjusted to \$47,050.00.

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Note: Employment is contingent upon clearance from the State Education Department to comply with the fingerprinting provisions of Project Save.

Mentor	Employee Name	Position	School year new hire is to be mentored
Kline, Mark	Somers, Michelle	Agriculture/Technology Teacher	2022-2023
Albright, Matthew	Lamoreaux, Kiley	School Counselor	2022-2023

MISCELLANEOUS APPOINTMENTS

Name	Appointment	Position	Effective	Compensation
Miller, Rebecca	Permanent	F/T Food Service Helper	6/15/2022	\$14.53/hour as per working conditions under CSEA contract
Slater, Jacqueline	Permanent	Custodial Worker-F/T	6/15/2022	\$13.65/hour as per working conditions under CSEA contract

Note: Employment is contingent upon clearance from the State Education Department to comply with the fingerprinting provisions of Project Save.

TENURE APPOINTMENTS

Name	Tenure Area	Certification	Effective
Emilio, Melissa	Elementary	Literacy (Birth-Grade 6) Professional Cert.; Early Childhood Education (Birth- Grade 2) Professional Cert.;	8/24/2022
Galunas, Amanda	Elementary	Childhood Education (Gr. 1-6) Professional Cert. Childhood Education (Gr. 1-6) Initial Cert.	9/1/2022
Wells, John	Middle School/High School	English Language Arts 7-12, Professional Cert.	9/1/2022
Clerkin, Emily	Elementary	Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) Professional Cert.;	9/1/2022
		Students with Disabilities (Birth-Grade 2) Professional Cert.; Childhood Education	

(Gr. 1-6) Professional

Cert;

Students with

Disabilities (Gr. 1-6) Professional Cert.

Wilberg, Linda Special Education

Students with Disabilities (Pre-K-K)

9/1/2022

Extension, Professional

Ext.;

Childhood

Education (Gr. 1-6) Professional

Cert.;

Students with Disabilities (Gr. 1-6)

Professional Cert.

ATHLETIC APPOINTMENTS

Name	Position	Season	DAFA Step	Years of Service	Stipend
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No athletic appointments for May 23, 2022.

EXTRACURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS

Name	Position	Years of Service	DAFA Step	Stipend
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No extracurricular appointments for May 23, 2022.

CHANGE IN POSITION

Employee	Title	Dept.	Current Status	New Status	Effective
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No change in positions for May 23, 2022.

CHANGE IN CIVIL SERVICE STATUS

Name	Dept.	Position	Appointment	Effective
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No change in civil service status for May 23, 2022.

LEAVE OF ABSENCES

Name	Position	Reason	Effective
Lane, Jennifer	Elementary Teacher	Personal	7/1/2022-6/30/2023 - unpaid

Superintendent Zimmerman had a few comments regarding personnel. She wanted to recognize the retirement of Maggie Reinmann. Ms. Trask could not be at the meeting but did prepare some comments about Maggie that Mrs. Mable read. Ms. Trask commented that she is impressed with her ability to multitask, to keep a positive attitude and has been a tremendous asset in her own transition into her position. Her retirement will leave a large footprint to fill and she wishes her the best in retirement.

Superintendent Zimmerman also commented on two permanent appointments, Jacqueline Slater in the Buildings and Grounds Department and Rebecca Miller in Food Service. Mrs. Christine Miller stated that Ms. Miller is a wonderful asset to the department and is everywhere all the time. Mr. David Cicio said that Mrs. Slater is very personable and is very glad to help if we need something.

Superintendent Zimmerman wanted to acknowledge the teachers that were up for tenure. She stated that it is important to recognize that any time that a Board of Education moves to grant tenure to a teacher that it comes after three or four years of hard work on behalf of the teacher. She announced Ms. Melissa Emilio, Ms. Amanda Galunas and Mrs. Emily Clerkin, who were all present along with Mrs. Linda Willberg and Mr. John Wells, who could not be at the meeting. Mrs. Julie Mable spoke kind words about Ms. Emilio, Ms. Galunas, Mrs. Clerkin and Mrs. Willberg. Superintendent Zimmerman had positive comments about Mr. Wells.

There were no additional questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

D. Financial Reports:

On a motion made by Sean Leddy, seconded by Lauren Raba, the Board of Education approved the Financial Reports as submitted by the Treasurer for March 31, 2022. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

E. CSE Recommendations:

On a motion made by Lauren Raba, seconded by Kimberly Shephard, the Board of Education accepted the Special Education Report from the Director of Special Education and Student Services for April 30, 2022, as submitted. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried

unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

Reports:

A. Principal's Monthly Reports:

Mrs. Julie Mable, Elementary Principal, reported for both Elementary and Middle School/High School for Mrs. Trask:

- There was one new student that enrolled in 6th grade and one new student that enrolled in 3rd grade.
- A scholarship recognition dinner was held. Ms. Sylvia Liddle was our student this year and she chose Mr. Peter Hannigan to recognize as most influencing. She thanked Ms. Christine Miller and her staff for preparing the dinner.
- There were 18 new members inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at the Induction Ceremony that was held.
- Grades 3 through 8 Math testing was completed and the Grades 4 through 8 performance testing and written testing were due to be completed.
- Ellie Tarrants was appointed the new FFA District 4 President.
- The SADD Mock Car Crash that demonstrated the dangers of drinking and driving was held and was a big success.
- In the Elementary School, Ms. Galunas had her students reach 25,000 minutes of reading at home while Mrs. Rossley had her students reach 15,000 minutes of reading at home.
- Mrs. McAteer is a new grandmother as her son Tyler and his wife welcomed a new baby girl, Theodora.
- Kylie McCarthy and Owen Tarrants were honored at the D.A.R. Oneonta Chapter for essays that they wrote for the subject of "What does the Flag mean to me?" Kylie came in third and Owen came in first. Owen's essay went on to compete at the state level where he came in first.
- All the lock down drills have been completed in both buildings.
- In Guidance, Kathy Whittaker and Crystal Trask have begun meeting with DCMO BOCES Career Destinations to offer seniors internships and work experience job shadowing and career exploration opportunities.
- The Elementary School had over 200 kids show up for the Kids Night Out PTA fundraiser that raised almost \$2,000.00.

The Board thanked Mrs. Mable for her reports.

B. Departmental Reports:

Mr. David Cicio, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, reported the following for the Building and Grounds Department:

- He is working on his list of summer projects lined up, including work on the auxiliary gym and the entranceways.
- The Annual Visual Inspection has been completed.
- The CWC work is continuing.

The Board thanked Mr. Cicio for his report.

Mr. Carey Shultz, Business Administrator, reported the following for the Business Office:

- He congratulated the board for the budget passing
- The paving portion of the CWC project will be starting.
- The tennis court project is slated to start at the end of June.
- They are monitoring the terrazzo in the Elementary School as there is a delay with ordering the epoxy. They hope to start somewhere from the middle of summer to mid-August.

The Board thanked Mr. Shultz for his report.

Ms. Christine Miller, Food Service Supervisor, reported:

- They have had 16 serving days this month and have served 200 breakfasts and 257 lunches in the Elementary and 96 breakfasts and 235 lunches in the High School.
- Her staff is getting prepared for the Academic Awards Banquet and the FFA Banquet to be held shortly.

The Board thanked Ms. Miller for her report.

Mrs. Kristen Shearer, Director of Special Education and Student Services, reported:

- She wrapped up 27 meetings this month and hopes to be done the second week of June.
- The last Special Education Professional Development is scheduled for May 26.
- Work is continuing on the master schedule.
- Kiley Lamoreaux, our new Middle School Guidance Counselor started today and met with some of the 6th and 7th graders.
- The last Brilliant Pathways mentor training will be held on Thursday.
- At the next board meeting they will give a presentation about what they have been doing in the program.

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The Board thanked Mrs. Shearer for her report.

Mr. Luke Potrzeba, Director of Technology, reported:

- He did a recap of the projects they have been working on, including the track timing system, continuing the teacher new laptop rollout.
- He collaborated with Mat White on the Meet the Candidates night and the Budget Hearing. He thought that worked out well.
- He is working with a 2021 graduate who will be interning with his office through the CDO Workforce program to gain experience and work hours.
- We have the end of the year collection of all student devices.

Mr. Gregg Verspoor, Director of Transportation, reported:

- JV and Varsity sports are winding down and Modified is still going.
- He had six drivers, including himself, participate in an advanced driver's class.

The Board thanks Mr. Verspoor for his report.

C. Superintendent Monthly Report:

Superintendent Zimmerman reported the following:

- She congratulated Lucy Kelly, Seth Haight and Sean Leddy on their reelection to the Board of Education. She thanked them for giving the board continued stability. She is excited to continue the great work with their team intact. She also thanked the candidates who did participate and show interest in the district and in having a wonderful campaign.
- She stated that student board member, Abbie Leahy, will be with the board for one more meeting in June. She said they will take some time then to celebrate her and her contributions at that meeting.
- Applications for student board member for the 2022-2023 school year are out and they have been encouraging current year juniors to apply for the seat for next year. Those applications will be due on June 1.
- She thanked the community for listening to and following all of the day-to-day changes that were happening pertaining to student drop off in the mornings. She also thanked the bus drivers and to Mr. Verspoor for helping to continue reorganize traffic patterns.
- She wanted to recognize Kristen Shearer who has resigned from her position at Delaware Academy to take the Superintendent position in Milford. She stated that her leadership in both special education and student services in collaboration with the principals has been instrumental in them moving mountains in a short time.
- She offered congratulations to the tennis team for winning the first round of the team competition

The Board thanked Superintendent Zimmerman for her report.

D. Board Committee Reports:

A.L. Kellogg Committee:

The committee did meet and discussed the possibility of bringing in speakers back to the school. The theme will be mental health and they are hoping to get four speakers, one for each quarter for the next school year. They are looking to incorporate more with Bright Hill Press in the school. Bright Hill Press has applied for funding from the memorial fund that has been approved.

Athletic Committee:

The Athletic Committee held a meeting. They discussed when there is interest in a specific team or sport where there is not a large number of potential student athletes, such as sports that are not normally played at the school. In the past this has been addressed by sports partnerships with other schools.

Board Liaison Committee:

They did not hold a meeting for May, 2022.

Capital Project Committee:

The Capital Project Committee held a meeting and discussed the tennis courts, abatement and terrazzo. The Pre-K playground and wood mulch have been ordered. They are continuing to explore options for the tennis courts to save money.

Finance Committee:

They held a meeting and a lot of what was discussed has been covered in previous presentations and commentary in this meeting. President Neumann gave thanks to Mr. Shultz for his budgeting, especially when it came to fuel oil forecasting.

Trustee Haight stated they also talked about the cost of summer programs, CSEA negotiations and the A. L. Kellogg fund.

Policy Review Committee:

They met and discussed the Community Use of School Facilities Policy. Trustee Haight asked if they could have some notification about large events that may be happening, especially if the event is something that normally does not occur. There was some discussion about the addition of discretionary language to the policy wherein it will be at the discretion of the Superintendent to charge a group for use of the facilities. They also discussed doing a third reading and adoption at the next meeting.

Technology Committee:

They did not meet for May, 2022.

Policy Review / Adoption:

A. Third reading of Policy #67-68 Community Use of School Facilities

The Board of Education conducted a second reading of Policy #67-68 Community Use of School. President Neumann stated that they will conduct a third reading and adoption at the next meeting.

Old Business:

A. Update from Superintendent Zimmerman on the Tennis Court Project.

Superintendent Zimmerman discussed the tennis court project. She discussed some cost savings associated with the project, specifically the pitch at which the courts sit and the ability to reuse some of the existing sub base. When the architects designed that space they were not privy to the history of what existed on those tennis courts and now that they are dealing with the actual contractors they have additional information to help with the actual execution of the project. They will await the final numbers associated with that.

New Business:

A. Permission to Destroy Ballots from 2021 Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections

On a motion made by Seth Haight, seconded by James Tucker, Jr., the Board of Education approved the following resolution to give permission to destroy ballot from the 2021 Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections: WHEREAS, Pursuant to Education Law 2034(6)(b) six months or more have elapsed since the May 2021 Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections; and WHEREAS, upon the information and belief of the Board of Education, there have been no challenges or proceedings commenced; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi does and hereby authorizes the District Clerk to unseal and open the wooden ballot boxes and destroy the official ballots contained therein, together with the unused ballots, if any. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

B. Certification of 2022 Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections

On a motion made by Kimberly Shephard, seconded by James Tucker, Jr., the Board of Education accepted the Certification of Results of the 2022 Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections as follows: Vote Propositions: Budget:614 yes votes, 139 no votes. There were three seats up for three-year terms with the results as follows: Sean Leddy received 369 votes, Lauren O'Leary received 252 votes, Lucy Kelly received 498 votes, Nathaniel McCarthy received 255 votes, Seth Haight received 488 votes and Sean Secord received 309 votes. BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with Section 2502 of the Education Law, that candidates, Sean Leddy, Lucy Kelly and Seth Haight are hereby elected to three-year terms, commencing on July 1, 2022 (expiring June 30, 2025) as declared by the Board of Education. WHEREAS, the Board of Education has examined and tabulated such statements and determined the number of votes cast for the 2022 School District Budget; IT IS HEREBY DECLARED, that the 2022 School District Budget passed with 614 votes in favor and 139 votes against. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

C. Approve Donation from St. John's Episcopal Church

On a motion made by Lucy Kelly, seconded by Seth Haight, the Board of Education accepted a donation in the amount of \$80.00 from St. John's Episcopal Church for use in the backpack program. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

D. Resolution to Approve Contract - Nancy Hein, District Treasurer

On a motion made by Sean Leddy, seconded by Lauren Raba, the Board of Education approved a new contract for Mrs. Nancy Hein, District Treasurer, for a period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025, setting forth the terms and conditions of her employment, authorizes payment thereunder, and authorizes Superintendent Kelly M. Zimmerman to execute said employment agreement on behalf of the School District. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

E. Resolution to Approve Contract - Elizabeth Marino, Payroll Clerk/Tax Collector/Substitute Registrar

On a motion made by Lauren Raba, seconded by Kimberly Shephard, the Board of Education approved a new contract for Mrs. Elizabeth Marino, Payroll Clerk/Tax Collector/Substitute Registrar, for a period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025, setting forth the terms and conditions of her employment, authorizes payment thereunder, and authorizes Superintendent Kelly M. Zimmerman to execute said employment agreement on behalf of the School District. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

F. Award Bid for Solid Waste Removal 2022-2023

On a motion made by Sean Leddy, seconded by Lauren Raba, the Board of Education approved the following resolution to award a bid for Solid Waste Removal: WHEREAS bid proposals were submitted by DCMO BOCES on behalf of Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi for local suppliers to provide solid waste removal to Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi for the academic school year 2022-2023; and WHEREAS Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi received and reviewed bid proposals from vendors for solid waste removal and Casella Waste Management submitted the only bid in the amount of \$7,800.00 to provide solid waste removal services; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education awards the bid for solid waste removal to Casella Waste Management for the academic school year 2022-2023. There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

G. Resolution to Approve Request to Surplus – Athletics, Permission to Remove Books from Inventory from Elementary School Library & Permission to Remove Books from Inventory from Middle/High School Technology/Agriculture Classroom.

On a motion made by Seth Haight, seconded by Kimberly Shephard, the Board of Education approved the following requests:

- a. request from the Athletic Department to deem a Wrestling Mat as surplus as it is old, outdated, torn and unusable and has no value;
- b. request from Mrs. Meghan Oliver to remove approximately 88 boxes of books from the Elementary Library that are antiquated, damaged, duplicated (mostly from when ALK books were combined with this collection) or superseded (by newer or higher quality title on the same subject) and have no value; and
- c. request from Ms. Michelle Somers to remove books from the Technology/Agriculture classroom that are antiquated, damaged, duplicated or superseded (by newer or higher quality title on the same subject) and have no value.

There were no questions, comments or discussion, and the motion carried unanimously with a vote of 7-0.

Public Comments:

President, Tammy Neumann opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public comments.

Other Discussion:

A. Board Comments:

Trustee Haight stated he thinks the student input on the backpacks is terrific and he loves to see that passion from our students. He also thinks it is a great life lesson that if you want something changed you have to work through the process. The way they came to the board with their confidence, their research and the answers they had to the questions was terrific. He is excited about all of the year end events. Congratulations to Sean and Lucy on their reelections. He thinks it is great that our community cares so much about our school. It is very encouraging to see the high election number turnout.

Trustee Raba spoke about when they participated in the board development and professional development they learned about the different governance styles and they had one board member in each category for governance. She was pleased to have that balance with the other members. She is grateful for all of the teachers and it was really great to hear Mr. Schneider talk about that long list of people who helped his child through that anxiety. It was also really nice to see the students' presentation.

Trustee Kelly echoed what Trustee Haight stated. She wanted to thank all of the voters who came out to support the budget and to vote for the six candidates. She stated Mr. Shultz complemented and praised the board on the budget but she wanted to give kudos to him as they could not have done it without him. She also wanted to complement Trustee Raba for coming to various committee meetings to learn and observe. She thinks that it is a great way to understand the workings of the different committees. She also wanted to mention that every time there is a fundraiser at the school, Mrs. Miller and her staff bend over backwards to help. Mrs. Miller is not paid for her time because she wants the fundraising group to make more money. She wanted her to know that she is appreciated.

Trustee Tucker wanted to say congratulations to Lucy, Seth and Sean on their reelections.

Trustee Leddy echoed the comments of the other board members. He also wanted to congratulate Sylvia Liddle, Owen Tarrants and all of the members inducted into the National Junior Honor Society.

Student Board Member Leahy thanked everyone listening to the presentation and for the support of the students. She is excited that all students will have the option to use backpacks and the balance between using lockers and backpacks to store and carry belongings is very important. She thinks

that it is important to let students know they can share their concerns and have discussion about them. It is important that they know that they can make a positive change and be solution focused. She appreciates the board for supporting and listening to the students.

Close Meeting:

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the High School Library Media Center.

Enter an Executive Session:

On a motion made by Seth Haight, seconded by Sean Leddy, the Board of Education entered Executive Session to discuss matters regarding personnel with no action to be taken, at 8:20 p.m.

Leave Executive Session:

On a motion made by Sean Leddy, seconded by Lucy Kelly, the Board of Education left Executive Session at 9:15 p.m.

Adjourn Meeting:

On a motion made by Seth Haight, seconded by Kimberly Shephard, the Board of Education adjourned the Regular Meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Kulaski
District Clerk

BOE Approved: 7/13/22