

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DELAVAN-DARIEN
MARCH 9, 2015**

President Jeffery Scherer called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

Board Members Present: J. Hansen, R. Kelton, J. Scherer, S. Logterman, S. Gonzalez

Board Members Absent: J. Peyer, C. Kort

Administrators Present: Superintendent R. Crist, Business Administrator M. Powell, Key Benefits L. Mont

A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by S. Gonzalez to adjourn into closed session pursuant to the provision of Section 19.85(1)(c), Wisconsin Statutes, to discuss and take action, if appropriate, concerning the employment, compensation or performance evaluation data of any employee. Roll call vote of all ayes was taken.

Discussion took place and no motions were made.

A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by S. Logterman to adjourn the closed session and go to open session. The motion carried unanimously and the closed session ended at 6:42p.m.

President Jeffery Scherer called the regular meeting of the Delavan-Darien School District Board of Education held at the School Administration Center to order at 7:00p.m.

Board Members Present: J. Hansen, R. Kelton, J. Scherer, S. Logterman, S. Gonzalez

Board Members Absent: J. Peyer, C. Kort

Administrators Present: Superintendent R. Crist, Business Administrator M. Powell, Director of Instruction C. Rund, Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg, Director of Bilingual and School Coordinator R. Sandoval, Principals K. Pickel, R. Zahn, M. Kolff, H. Schmelz, Associate Principals A. Urmanski, R. Reyes, Technology Coordinator B. Curless, Athletic Director H. Johnson, Director of Career and Occupations C. Yager

The press was represented by Mike Hoey, *Delavan Enterprise*.

Student Council Report: No report.

Minutes Approved: The minutes of the February 9, 2015 regular/closed session meeting and the February 9, 2015 closed session meeting were unanimously approved on a Hansen/Kelton motion.

Citizen Comments: None

Consent Agenda: The board unanimously approved a motion by S. Logterman and seconded by J. Hansen to approve the Manifest of Bills dated March 9, 2015; the Treasurer's Report Summary for February 28, 2015 dated March 9, 2015; gifts/grants \$100 for choir trip to New York from Robert & Kathleen Crist, \$100 for choir trip from Delavan-Darien Lakes Area and \$100 for Washington DC band trip from Steve & Mary Kennedy; staff retirements for the 2015-16 school year for James

Christopherson – custodian Darien and Hugh Petersen – art teacher Phoenix; and non-faculty co-curricular contracts for the 2014-15 school year for Nicole Bowen – volunteer Destination Imagination.

Turtle Creek Student Progress Update & GLAD Techniques: Director of Bilingual and School Coordinator R. Sandoval and Principal R. Zahn reported to the board on Turtle Creek student progress in the dual language program and monolingual program from assessments taken this year. Mr. Sandoval reviewed the GLAD techniques with the board. The board asked Mr. Sandoval to come back next month with a district plan to accomplish GLAD training with all staff and how much that would cost the district. They feel these techniques are making a difference with the students.

PBIS Tier 2 Update: Phoenix Principal H. Schmelz and DDHS Associate Principal A. Urmanski presented PBIS Tier 2 data information to the board. They talked about the Check In/Check Out strategy and how it is working in both buildings along with other strategies.

4K Update: Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg reported that we did an early 4K registration like other districts, but unfortunately it was one of the coldest days and only six families came to register. She is looking at doing another enrollment day and the district will be going back to the half-day AM and PM classes five days a week. Dr. Halberg reviewed the 4K curriculum and community outreach involved with the program. The board reviewed a new 4K brochure from the district.

DVR Discussion Update: Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg reported that state agencies are focusing on students with disabilities for employment. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is intended to work with students age 14 or older and give them opportunities to learn skills at age 16 and employment at age 18. We have tried to include the DVR counselors in our IEP meetings but scheduling and language barriers make the process very cumbersome. Dr. Halberg spoke with a DVR representative and they are willing on a verbal agreement to come into our school either a half day or a full day a week to increase visibility of their program with families and students. Any student with an IEP or a 504 plan can work with this counselor and a parent can accompany. Dr. Halberg reported that we can get this started as early as next week to set plans in place. They all have background checks and do not serve anybody outside of our high school like office hours. They have a rating scale and right now there is no waiting list for this service. A motion was made by S. Logterman and seconded by S. Gonzalez to approve the DVR counselor within the school. The motion carried unanimously.

Walworth County Transition of PT/OT Positions: Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg reminded the board that all Walworth County special education staff will need to be brought in district at the end of the 2015-16 school year. The district still has OT, PT, vision, deaf hard of hearing and interpreters that we are getting from Walworth County. Dr. Halberg has been getting calls from other districts on what our needs are if the district has a half-time position and another district has a half-time position could we collaborate on a full-time position between the districts and save on resources and have consistency. If we have viable candidates would the district want to look at these actions this year. Dr. Halberg stated that we would need .75% to full-time OT, .50% PT if our student population doesn't change, .50% vision, .2% deaf hard of hearing and interpreters are determined the first day of school. The board gave permission for Dr. Halberg to consider moving forward in this direction for next school year.

Contract with City of Delavan for Kayaks: Athletic Director H. Johnson reported that the City of Delavan would like to have a two-year contract with the school district for using our kayaks during the summer. Last summer went well with this agreement in place. Business Administrator M. Powell asked that the City of Delavan put in an insurability clause naming the school district and they need to get back to us on that request. A motion was made by S. Logterman and seconded by J. Hansen to approve the two year contract with the City of Delavan for kayaks with the insurability clause. The motion carried unanimously.

Technical Scholarship Candidates Update: Career and Occupations Director C. Yager announced that the CTE committee has recommended Zitalyk Garcia and Gabriela Villasana as the two technical scholarship candidates recommended to the state. A motion was made S. Gonzalez and seconded by J. Hansen to approve these two candidates as recommended.

Technical Equipment Award and Plan: Career and Occupations Director, C. Yager, reported to the board over the last two months they have been trying to secure a grant for a FAB Lab through First Technologies. This is a three state private grant and we are still in negotiations for this grant according to Ms. Yager. Ms. Yager provided information on sponsorship opportunities to set up our own Come Creations FAB Lab. The draft gave program needs and sponsorship opportunities to donate to the initiative. Teachers M. Fellin and C. Grunewald will go out and talk up this opportunity and hope to be able to raise funds on our own to start this lab. They stated that if we could get this lab up and running we would be the only school district in the area with a true fabrication lab. A motion was made by S. Logterman and seconded by R. Kelton to approve the Comet Creations FAB Lab as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

MAP Testing Changes: Technology Supervisor B. Curless explained the new MAP testing changes to the board. The old way of MAP testing blocked the students from other applications while the testing period took place. This made it cumbersome for teachers and students to complete assignments when they couldn't use their Chromebooks because they were locked out because of the testing. Mr. Curless said that students would not be blocked from other applications during the next testing window and hopefully fewer students will have to deal with getting logged off during testing.

Curriculum and Assessment Update: Director of Curriculum C. Rund reviewed the mid-year MAP District Summary Report in Reading and Mathematics. Ms. Rund also reported that students at the elementary and middle school level will be participating in the Badger 3-8 assessment. This test is part of the SMARTER Balanced assessment aligned to the Common Core State Standards. The test window for the Badger 3-8 and the alternative assessment, Dynamic Learning Maps, for identified students with disabilities, is scheduled from April 13-24. The following week is reserved for make-up testing.

Summer School: Superintendent Crist reported that he had met with the principals and narrowed down to more important items for summer school. He stated that at the high school level (6 week classes June 16-July 2 & July 7-29) we could provide physical and health education so students can take other classes during the school year and also provide credit recovery and technology if 15+ students register for a respective class. At the middle school level (4 week classes June 16-July 2 & July 7-15) we could provide credit recovery if 15+ students register for a class and also provide reading, language arts and mathematics if 15+ students register for a class. At the elementary level (4 week classes June 16-July 2 & July 7-15) we could provide reading, language arts and mathematics if 15+ students register for a class. It was discussed to send a letter home to parents where appropriate that their child was not achieving at goal and strongly recommend summer school attendance. Also

talked about students who fail that they are required to take summer school to move forward and this would have to happen at the beginning of the school year to notify parents for summer school 2016. A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Hansen to approve the concept for the year and continue with summer school planning. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution on State Budget: Superintendent R. Crist reported that several school boards across the state have put together a resolution regarding the state budget with no increase in state aid and the elimination of the \$150 per student in categorical aid which will cost our district approximately \$408,000. It was wonderful that the community supported our referendum and yet we are in arrears \$408,000 after passing the referendum with the new state budget. Dr. Crist reviewed with the board a resolution from the district on the state budget he would like the board members to approve and sign so our district voice can be heard at the state level. A motion was made by S. Gonzalez and seconded by R. Kelton to approve the resolution as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Youth Option Applications: A motion was made by S. Logterman and seconded by J. Hansen to approve the youth option applications as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

CESA 6 Contract for Evaluations: Superintendent R. Crist reviewed with the board the CESA 6 contract for doing evaluations at the high school. The contract had to be revised due to more staff that needed to be evaluated than previously counted. A motion was made by J. Hansen and seconded by S. Gonzalez to approve the CESA 6 contract for \$40,183.00. The motion carried unanimously.

Alternative Open Enrollment Incoming/Outgoing Applications: A motion was made by J. Hansen and seconded by S. Logterman to approve the alternative open enrollment incoming/outgoing applications. The motion carried 4-1 with R. Kelton opposing. A second motion was made by J. Hansen and seconded by S. Gonzalez to approve Dr. Crist to sign and approve the alternative open enrollment applications with a list supplied to the board. The motion carried unanimously.

Teacher Contract for 2015-16 School Year: Superintendent Crist told the board that we have revised our teacher contract for 2015-16 based on legal changes in the employee handbook on liquidated damages. We have worked with our attorney to revise the contract for 2015-16. A motion was made by S. Logterman and seconded by J. Hansen to approve the 2015-16 school year teacher contract as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Crist reported that he and Business Administrator M. Powell were working on the budget model and at a minimum we have a \$408,000 deficit even after the referendum and that equates to programs and staffing. Dr. Crist stated that he was really pleased that people came out and voted in favor of the referendum because without that we would really be in trouble and at least that is a glimmer of hope to move us forward and deal with other things. Thank you for everyone for voting for the referendum. Dr. Crist will be meeting with the parochial schools next week on the 2015-16 calendar and bus transportation associated with the calendar. By law the public school is accountable for all parochial students that live in the district.

Future Agenda Items: GLAD Techniques Plan

Next Meeting Date: April 13, 2015 – Regular meeting 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by S. Logterman and seconded by J. Hansen to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Karen Logterman, Secretary

Jeffery Scherer, President