

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DELAVAN-DARIEN  
NOVEMBER 10, 2014**

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, J. Scherer, J. Peyer, R. Kelton, S. Logterman, S. Gonzalez, C. Kort

**Administrators Present:** Superintendent R. Crist, Business Administrator M. Powell, Director of Curriculum C. Rund, Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg, Director of Bilingual and School Coordinator R. Sandoval, Principal K. Pickel

The press was represented by Mike Hoey, Delavan Enterprise, and Cathy Idzerda, Janesville Gazette.

**Student Council Report:** Lettica Rizzo reported to the board about Homecoming with the Disney theme that went great. Students also did fundraising for the Carrie Schuknecht family and helped out the Legion with Halloween. Lettica said that their next projects will be a Lip Dup video on what we have to offer and working on the Veterans Day assembly where teacher Mr. Grunewald will speak. There is a poster contest to say Thank You to veterans going on and the winning homeroom will get donuts. The council will soon be working on winter week.

**Minutes Approved:** The minutes of the October 13, 2014 closed and regular session meetings, the October 23, 2014 closed session meeting, the October 27 special meeting and the November 3, 2014 closed session and special meeting were unanimously approved on a Kelton/Logterman motion.

**Citizen Comments:** None

**Consent Agenda:** The board unanimously approved a motion by S. Gonzalez and seconded by J. Hansen to approve the Manifest of Bills dated November 10, 2014; the Treasurer's Report Summary for October 31, 2014 dated November 10, 2014; gifts/grants of \$50 gift cards for 20 teachers at Wileman Elementary for classroom supplies from Walmart Foundation; staff resignation for the 2014-15 school year for Craig Lodahl – AP/AD/Teacher DDHS; non-faculty co-curricular contracts for the 2014-15 school year for Diego Avila – co-head wrestling DDHS, Ronald Satkowski – volunteer drama club DDHS, Bradley Grabow – volunteer baseball DDHS, Emmanuel Kofi Yartey – volunteer Destination Imagination, and Renee Yartey – volunteer Destination Imagination.

**Overview/Baseline MAPS/PALS Assessments:** Director of Instruction C. Rund gave an overview on the MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) and PALS (Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening) assessments.

**Elementary Honors Choir:** Director of Instruction C. Rund reported that to support students with musical intelligence, we are piloting an elementary honors choir for upper elementary students before school in each of the three elementary buildings. The goal is to engage students who have an interest and musical talent. The members will perform together at concerts and also share the stage with the middle school choirs in the spring. After this year's pilot, we will evaluate the program and share the findings with the board.

**Referendum Approval:** Superintendent Crist told the board we still need the money asked for in the referendum. We will be borrowing from the state trust fund throughout the year to cover our costs. That doesn't mitigate the need for resources. Dr. Crist said that more serious cuts will have to occur to meet the budget and we have been trying to avoid that. He strongly encouraged the board to approve another referendum for the same money and years for the primary in February. The resolution would have to be approved at the December meeting. Another referendum was discussed by board members.

**Letter to State Politicians on School Funding Formula:** President Scherer would like to work on a letter to the state politicians on the school funding formula that restricts our district. We need to continue to move forward but we need help from our politicians.

**Phoenix Middle School Athletics/Additional Activities Proposal:** Middle School Athletic Director Adam Nielsen brought a low and high estimate for what the 6<sup>th</sup> grade intramural sports program would cost. The low estimate was \$1600 and the high estimate was \$4400. A motion was made by J. Peyer to approve \$3,000 towards the intramurals 6<sup>th</sup> grade program. C. Kort seconded the motion and the motion carried 6 to 1 with J. Hansen voting no.

**Eighth Grade Washington D.C. Trip Spring 2016:** A motion was made by S. Logterman and seconded by S. Gonzalez to approve the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington D.C. trip spring 2016 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**Spanish Materials for Grades 6-12 Foreign Language:** A motion was made by S. Gonzalez and seconded by C. Kort to approve the Spanish Materials Grade 6-12 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**Alternative Incoming/Outgoing Open Enrollment Applications:** A motion was made by S. Gonzalez and seconded by S. Logterman to approve the incoming applications and the outgoing applications except for one per Dr. Crist's recommendations. The motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution Authorizing a Taxable Tax and Revenue Anticipation Promissory Note for Cash Flow Purposes in an Amount Not To Exceed \$2,000,000:** S. Logterman made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented to authorize a taxable tax and revenue anticipation promissory note for cash flow purposes in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000. J. Hansen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with J. Scherer abstaining.

**Superintendent Report:** Superintendent Crist reminded the board that the 94<sup>th</sup> State Education Convention will be held January 21-23, 2015. If you are interested in attending please contact us.

**Future Agenda Items:** Closed session November 18 for budgeting – school board listening session meetings to schedule

**Next Meeting Date:** Regular Meeting – December 8, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by S. Gonzalez and seconded by S. Logterman to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.