

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DELAVAN-DARIEN
JULY 10, 2017**

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: R. Kelton, J. Scherer, J. Andreoni, S. Gonzalez, G. Moses

Board Members Absent: R. Deschner

Administrators Present: Superintendent R. Crist, Business Administrator M. Powell, Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg, Director of Bilingual and School Coordinator R. Sandoval, Principal R. Zahn

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

Minutes Approved: The minutes of the June 12, 2017 regular/closed session meeting and the June 14, 2017 closed session meeting were unanimously approved on an Andreoni/Kelton motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments: None.

Consent Agenda: The board unanimously approved a motion by R. Kelton and seconded by S. Gonzalez to approve the Manifest of Bills dated July 10, 2017; the Treasurer's Report Summary for June 30, 2017 dated July 10, 2017; gifts/grants - \$500 for STEM Initiative for Wileman Elementary from Delavan Exxon Mobil, \$100 FAB Lab DDHS from Deschner Building Contractors, Delavan, \$100 FAB Lab DDHS – William Chapman II, Delavan, and \$15,000 AODA Grant Wisconsin Dept. of Instruction; staff resignations for the 2017-18 school year for Diana Burgstede – School Psychologist, Kristine Slawson – Business education teacher, and Janice Sabin de Medina – Spanish teacher; new staff contracts for the 2017-18 school year for Renae Schwind – special education, Mildred Zamorano – 7th grade teacher, Jane Ward – ESL teacher, Wendy Canenguez-Cabrera – dual language teacher and Ruth Molina Mota - dual language teacher.

Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity (SEED): Rosamaria Laursen and Jen Paepke gave a presentation to the board on the National SEED Project.

Substitute Teacher Staffing/Cost Review: Business Manager M. Powell and Human Resources Administrative Assistant S. Anderson reviewed with the board the 2016-17 year-end report from Teachers on Call. They reported that there is a shortage of substitutes and being with Teachers on Call we were able to add 60 substitutes to our list that we could never have processed that fast to get them into the substitute system. The substitutes receive benefits from Teachers on Call and the district does not have to track the ACA hours. There will continue to be a shortage of substitute teachers and aides and we have to have plans to cover within our buildings when a substitute is not available.

Academic and Career Planning (ACP): Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg reported to the board on ACP. This is a Department of Public Instruction initiative that has to be fully implemented this fall. ACP is a student-driven, adult-supported process. Students create and cultivate their own unique and information-based visions for post-secondary success. This is obtained through self-exploration, career exploration, and the development of career management and planning skills over the course of

the 6th-12th grade experience. Students will go into Career Cruising during their homeroom period and work on their academic and career planning portfolio. Teachers can then monitor their progress.

Intellectual Disability (ID) Programming: Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg reported that recently more and more students are coming to our district with more academic needs. The ID programming would be a change of instructional design. In grades 1-5 we would keep the students in their classrooms, but at times for academics they would be in a small group setting for math, language arts, science and social studies. After contacting families, we have decided that for 6-12th grade they would start their day in the Life Skills classroom and then have four core academic classes – math, science, social studies and language arts. The 6-8th grade students would then be escorted back to Phoenix Middle School for lunch and elective classes with their peers.

WASB Membership for 2017-18 School Year: A motion was made by S. Gonzalez and seconded by J. Andreoni to continue with WASB membership for the 2017-18 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Second Reading Board Policies 6152, 8500: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Andreoni to approve the second reading of board policies 6152 and 8500. The motion carried unanimously.

Parent Transportation Contract: A motion was made by S. Gonzalez and seconded by R. Kelton to approve the parent transportation contract as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Expansion of the Dual Language Program: President J. Scherer would like the district to expand foreign language to include Mandarin Chinese. Bilingual Coordinator R. Sandoval spoke to the board that we could probably come up with a plan but there is much more to discuss and will require a lot of detail, funding, and discussion of moving from one level to another and how many families would move out of the Spanish/English to go to Mandarin/English. If we would do this we need to do this correctly and it takes time to work on this and think globally. We would need to survey the community on their thoughts first to see what they want and we would need to know numbers as we can't bring a teacher in for 10 students. The board would like Mr. Sandoval to investigate and report back in a month or two on his findings.

Board Vacancy: President J. Scherer and board agreed to wait on the board vacancy until it was decided how the composition of board seats might change.

Composition of Board Seats: President J. Scherer led discussion on the makeup of board seats. Discussion took place on different scenarios for change. A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by G. Moses to have all seven board members at large. The motion carried unanimously. Superintendent Crist will have our attorney draft the resolution.

School Mascots: Board member G. Moses asked questions why all the schools did not have the same mascot. Teacher Terri Timmerman spoke to the board that she felt if all the schools were Comets that it would create a sense of school pride in the community and when you buy school wear you have all Comet logo and can pass down to siblings. It was decided to put on the next board agenda to discuss with the principals.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Crist reviewed the health services report for 2016-17 school year with the board. Dr. Crist reported that all schools received awards from the Wisconsin RtI/PBIS program. Dr. Crist spoke to the board regarding the *Janesville Gazette* article and reported to the board some school district data that the district put together on comparison with other school districts in the state. He stated he was holding it from release for an appropriate time. Board members stated that raw data is intimidating and there must be guidance on the data to guide people to action for the district. Dr. Crist reported there were 10 alternative outgoing open enrollment applications for July.

Future Agenda Items: School mascots

Next Meeting Date: August 14, 2017 – Regular meeting 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by S. Gonzalez to adjourn into executive session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85 (1)(c) to discuss and take action, if appropriate, concerning the employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Specifically, to address a complaint processed under Board Policy 9130 concerning an administrator. The motion carried on a roll call vote of all ayes.

Discussion was held in closed session and no motions were made.

Karen Logterman, Secretary

Jeffery Scherer, President