

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DELAVAN-DARIEN
AUGUST 14, 2017

Vice President Sharon Gonzalez called the 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. Andreoni, S. Gonzalez, G. Moses, R. Deschner

Board Members Absent: J. Scherer

Administrators Present: Superintendent R. Crist, Business Administrator M. Powell, Director of Bilingual and School Coordinator R. Sandoval, Director of Instruction J. Sorbie, Director of Pupil Services S. Halberg, Principal K. Pickel, Athletic Director G. Otte

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

Minutes Approved: The minutes of the July 10, 2017 regular/closed session meeting and the July 31, 2017 special/closed session meeting were unanimously approved on a Kelton/Andreoni motion.

Welcome Director of Instruction: Superintendent Crist introduced Mrs. Jill Sorbie as the Director of Instruction. Mrs. Sorbie gave a brief introduction of herself to the board and community. Welcome Jill Sorbie to the Delavan-Darien School District.

CLC Yearly Report: Katie Kopp and Michelle Minton gave a year-end report of 4th year of the CLC grant. They reported with the center school model they would be able to rewrite the grant for the 5th year to include 4th and 5th grade. They reported that the DPI had made many big changes to the program with changes in the law. The district will have to put in a new application to apply for the CLC grant after the 2017-18 school year. They would apply for a tier level funding that could be \$115,000 if we would get approved for next year. The program served 52 attendees the first semester and 54 attendees the second semester and students were able to tour six businesses in the community during the year.

PBL Update Report: Michelle Minton reported on year three of the lab that is targeted to help incoming freshman transition into high school with identification being made by staff. The lab is staffed by all different teachers and students, no matter what grade level, are supported daily.

Access Test Information: Director of Bilingual and School Coordinator R. Sandoval reported that there are changes in the Access test cut scores. He reported that the Department of Public Instruction decided to increase the cut scores for 2017, but they didn't make clear that the scores would become effective January 2017 and not with the beginning of the 2017-18 school year. Mr. Sandoval stated that we are making changes to serve students in a better way to provide for a more rigorous academic content standard so our students can meet the higher cut scores. The emphasis is on reading, writing, listening, and speaking English.

Citizen Comments: Andy Terpstra addressed the board regarding community and parent involvement with the schools.

Consent Agenda: The board unanimously approved a motion by J. Andreoni and seconded by R. Kelton to approve the Manifest of Bills dated August 14, 2017; the Treasurer’s Report Summary for July 31, 2017 dated August 14, 2017; gifts/grants –\$500 for girls tennis program from Little Caesars, Delavan in memory of Jada Melito, 17 bicycles/helmets for Turtle Creek students from Abbey Resort, Fontana and 100 backpacks with school supplies from Golden State Foods, Whitewater; Staff retirements for the 2017-18 school year for Tina Hudy (effective March 31, 2018) – district food service supervisor; New staff contracts for the 2017-18 school year for Brad Stibbe – ESL teacher; and Non-Faculty co-curricular contracts for the 2017-18 school year for Mark Kibler – assistant football DDHS, Rodolfo Limones – assistant football DDHS, Jeffrey Cesarz – assistant football DDHS, Henry Johnson, Sr. – volunteer football DDHS, Matthew Palma – head girls swimming DDHS, Gina Castel – assistant girls swimming DDHS, Kurt Kirchenwitz – head volleyball DDHS, Jessie Grober – assistant volleyball DDHS, Thomas Dace – assistant girls tennis DDHS, Thomas Dace – assistant boys tennis DDHS, Mike Marse – head boys soccer DDHS, Francisco Huerta – assistant boys soccer DDHS, Ethan Marse – assistant boys soccer DDHS, Jenni Schultz – cheerleading fall and winter DDHS, Chris Hembrook – head boys basketball DDHS, Kegan Arthur – assistant wrestling DDHS, Dan Piecha – head boys golf DDHS, Mike Marse – head girls soccer DDHS, Francisco Huerta – assistant girls soccer DDHS, and Michael Grover – head baseball DDHS.

Approval of Student/Parent Handbook for the 2017-18 School Year: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by G. Moses to approve the student/parent handbook for the 2017-18 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Employee Handbook for the 2017-18 School Year: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by R. Deschner to approve the employee handbook for the 2017-18 school year but keeping the health insurance cash in lieu at \$6,000. The motion carried 4-0 with J. Andreoni abstaining.

Approval of the Annual Declaration and Parent Notice of the District’s Student Academic Standards that will be in effect for the 2017-18 School Year, Pursuant to Section 120.12(13) and Section 118.30(1g)(a)1 of the State Statutes: A motion was made by J. Andreoni and seconded by R. Kelton to approve the proposed “Notice of Student Academic Standards that are in effect for the 2017-18 school year”, as said proposed notice was presented to the Board in written form as Attachment A, with a date of August 14, 2017, in the Board’s packet of supplemental materials for this meeting, all pursuant to section 120.12(13)(b) and section 118.30(1g)(a) of the State Statutes. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by J. Andreoni and seconded by R. Kelton that the Board direct the administration to provide parents and guardians of District students with notice of the Board adopted student academic standards that are in effect for the 2017-18 school year in a manner that is consistent with the requirements of section 120.12(13) of the State Statutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Addition to Interscholastic Athletic Handbook for Students and Parents: Athletic Director G. Otte spoke to the board about adding an amendment from the WIAA checklist for penalties for proven unacceptable conduct and to add it under the training rules to accumulate code violations as it was inadvertently omitted. A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by R. Deschner to approve the addition to the Interscholastic Athletic Handbook for Students and Parents as presented. The motion carried unanimously. The Athletic Handbook will be completely studied and revised next spring or summer.

First Reading Board Policy 8500: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Andreoni to approve the first reading of board policy 8500 and dispense with the second reading. The motion carried unanimously.

Phoenix Middle School Fundraisers: Phoenix Middle School has requested fundraisers for Century Resource for a music fundraiser and Midland Company for support of the PBIS program. A motion was made by G. Moses and seconded by J. Andreoni to approve the Phoenix Middle School fundraisers as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Designation of Milk Vendor for the 2017-18 School Year: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Andreoni to designate Deans as the district milk vendor for the 2017-18 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

School Mascots: Board member G. Moses talked about the school mascots in the district schools are not the same. Board members discussed the topic and want the principals to discuss with their teachers about changing all mascots to “Comets”. This will be put on next month’s agenda.

Composition of Board Seats: The board members are working on getting 100 signatures to put the petition for apportionment on the annual meeting agenda for the community. Drop off your signed pages to Roxann Kelton, board clerk on or before August 25, 2017.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Crist reviewed the list of alternative applications coming in/out. Dr. Crist invited board members to the staff welcome back opening on August 23, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in the high school auditorium. Dr. Crist informed the board that the WASB fall regional meeting will be October 3, 2017 in Elkhorn. Dr. Crist also thanked Dr. Sara Halberg for helping out with curriculum and instruction while we waited for Dr. Sorbie to arrive.

Future Agenda Items: School mascots

Next Meeting Date: August 28, 2017 – Special Meeting 7:00 p.m.
September 11, 2017 – Regular meeting 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by R. Deschner to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Karen Logterman, Secretary

Sharon Gonzalez, Vice President