

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DELAVAN-DARIEN
NOVEMBER 13, 2017**

President Jeffery Scherer 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: J. Scherer, R. Kelton, J. Andreoni, G. Moses, R. Deschner, M. Los

Board Members Absent: S. Gonzalez

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

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

Minutes Approved: The minutes of the October 9, 2017 regular/closed session meeting, the October 24, 2017 special meeting, the October 30, 2017 special meeting, the November 2, 2017 special meeting, and the November 2, 2017 closed session meetings were unanimously approved on an Andreoni/Kelton motion.

Student Council Report: Representative Katelyn Rosenow reported that the Veterans Day assembly went very good and that their next project is to separate into different committees like recycling, school betterment and community service.

Director of Instruction Kudos: Director of Instruction J. Sorbie gave recognition to Mike Heine and the Foundation for the Blue and Gold Bash event that raised approximately \$20,000 for scholarships. Also kudos to Principal Karedes and the high school staff for starting a new study hall intervention program for students performing under 60% - the students will work with one staff member for two weeks to try to get their grades up. Third kudos to Jodi Scott and Lori Grover for receiving the Next Gen Personal Finance Gold Standard distinction for commitment to educating all students in 21st century personal finance skills. DDHS was one of only 600 high schools recognized nationwide.

Oath of Office: Notary Public Karen Logterman gave the Oath of Office to Monica Los and she joined the Board of Education.

Citizen Comments: Andy Terpstra addressed the board regarding the school district budget, parental involvement in the schools, community involvement with the school district and the advocacy committee.

Resident Leigh Comas talked to the board about the boys basketball fundraiser change request and parent involvement at the high school.

Consent Agenda: The board unanimously approved a motion by R. Kelton and seconded by G. Moses to approve the Manifest of Bills dated November 13, 2017; the Treasurer's Report Summary for October 31, 2017 dated November 13, 2017; gifts/grants – \$500 to DDHS Fab Lab from Michael J. Dillner Memorial, Delavan, WI and \$300 to Turtle Creek for Thanksgiving meals from Auto Zone, Delavan, WI; and new staff contracts for Conalee Laabs – part-time Spanish Teacher DDHS.

Update of Energy Efficiency Projects: Business Administrator M. Powell reported to the board on the energy efficiency projects completed at each school and those that are still being worked on. This summer there will be major projects at Wileman and Phoenix and that should complete the energy efficiency projects for the district.

Petition to State Legislators: Superintendent R. Crist stated that there are no other options to get state aid except to increase property taxes by referendum. The board requested a petition to politicians in hopes there is power in numbers to request a change in the state aid formula for district's like ours. A motion was made by R. Deschner and seconded by R. Kelton to approve moving forward with the petition. The motion carried unanimously.

Parent Transportation Contracts: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by R. Deschner to approve the parent transportation contracts as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Update on Phoenix Middle School 2017-18 Washington, D.C. Trip: Teacher T. Timmerman reported to the board that the trip is tentatively scheduled for April 3, 2018 with other schools in the area. There are 12 students going, one parent, and two district employees. They will know the travel dates by mid-January and they will start preparing the students in December for the trip. The cost of the trip is \$1,423 which includes flights, all meals, tickets, admission, bus tour liaison, and security in the hotel.

Proposed Phoenix Middle School 2018-19 Washington, D.C. Trip: Teacher T. Timmerman reported that the trip currently has eight students and two district employees and that they have requested March 30 – April 8, 2019 and the company will work with the dates. The trip will be four days and three nights flying out of Milwaukee. They are looking to do activity nights, breakfast fundraisers, trivia night fundraiser, Papa Murphy's and/or Culvers nights and possibly some social media fundraising where people do it on their own. Ms. Timmerman stated that one student paid for his entire trip within a couple of weeks of signing up. The price for this trip is \$1,523 which includes flights, all meals, tickets, admissions, bus tour liaison, and security in hotel. A motion was made by G. Moses and seconded by J. Andreoni to approve the 2018-19 Washington, D.C. trip and fundraising. The motion carried unanimously.

DDHS Boys Basketball Fundraiser Change Request: Booster Club member Leigh Comas spoke on the change request from the MAAC fund to a request for a pledge drive working jointly with community service work. The players will perform 5 hours of community service and in return ask for a pledge per hour from family, friends and sponsors. Assistance with the fundraiser is provided by Affinity Funding Group. The Booster Club will handle this project. A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Andreoni to approve the change in fundraising from the MAAC Fund to Affinity Funding Group. The motion carried 5-1 with G. Moses opposing.

Lacrosse America, LLC Contract: A motion was made by J. Andreoni and seconded by R. Kelton to approve the Lacrosse America, LLC contract as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

First Reading NEOLA Policy Updates 100,0131.1,0144.1,0164.2,0166,1630.01,2260,2261.01,2411, 2430,2431,3120.01,3122.01,3430.01,4122.01,4430.01,5111,5130,5310.01,5330,5421,5517,5540,5610, 5771,5830,6605,6800,7530.02,8146,8310,8320,8320.01,8330,8350,8452,8510,8605,8770,8800,9700, 5136,5136.01,7540.03,7540.04,7540.06,7540.07,8300,8305: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Andreoni to approve the first reading except 8510. The motion carried unanimously.

First Reading NEOLA Policy Rejections 0164.1, 3432, 4432 and NEOLA Policy Deletion 2370: A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Andreoni to approve the first reading of rejections and deletions as present. The motion carried unanimously.

Referendum: Superintendent Crist talked about cursory discussion on referendum. We would need preliminary resolution in December and deadline is in January for ballot placement in April. We may need to have a special meeting end of November to get some decisions made how to proceed. The board asked the administration to bring ideas to the meeting.

Parent Committee: President Scherer reiterated that the district needs to continue to encourage parent involvement in the schools. Superintendent Crist said that there are parent committees in each of the schools.

Review of Listening Sessions-Wileman, Turtle Creek, Darien and Phoenix: Board members spoke about their listening sessions at Wileman, Turtle Creek and Phoenix. Darien will be reported in December.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Crist said that he was pleased with the progress in many areas where there were concerns. Schools are places for learning and we will reinforce courtesy and respect and it is the parents' job to teach that to their children. We will not put up with disrespect to our staff and students will be disciplined for that by suspensions and expulsions. Dr. Crist talked briefly that the district will need to go to referendum and that we need to hold a special meeting to continue discussions.

Future Agenda Items: Darien listening session, second reading board policies, volunteer night

Next Meeting Date: December 11, 2017 – Regular meeting 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by R. Kelton and seconded by J. Andreoni to adjourn into executive session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c) to discuss employment, promotion, compensation of any public employee and performance evaluation of superintendent. A roll call vote of all ayes was taken. The board went into executive session as 8:45 p.m.

No motions were made in closed session. Superintendent evaluation did not occur due to time.

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 10:30 p.m.

Karen Logterman, Secretary

Jeffery Scherer, President