

**MINUTES OF A
REGULAR MEETING
OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF
DWIGHT COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT #232**

**Held in the Dwight Common School District Library
On June 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**

Board President Bo Partney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mark Christenson; Michael Cornale; Marc Ellis; Cathy Ferguson; Bo Partney; Eric Scheuer; Nick Stipanovich

ABSENT: None

Also in attendance: Deb Conroy, Secretary; Brandon Owens, Principal; Julie Schultz, Asst. Principal/AD

PUBLIC COMMENT

First Grade Teacher Andrea Natyshok was in attendance to comment on the number of sections of 1st Grade for the 2019-20 school year.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OR REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. Schultz's report stands as read.

Mr. Owens discussed the changes for Board Scholar that he is proposing. He wants to change the definition of a Board Scholar back to what it used to be, that being that the student would need to complete the school year with all "A's" in their subject areas for each quarter. Policy currently states that it needs to be an overall average of an "A" in their subject areas. He also discussed the 3-Year Elementary Plan that he has created, as was directed by the Board at the May Board meeting.

Jack Connor, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, notified Board members that the first cassette has been installed in Room 29 for the HVAC project. Sendra will begin installing the rest of the units tomorrow, followed by the rooftop units.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The state currently owes \$35,704.80 in late mandated categorical payments for the 2018-19 school year.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items for consideration on this month's Consent Agenda are as follows:

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Bills
- 3) Employ Jared Steck, Baseball A Team Head Coach
- 4) Approve Brian Trainor, Baseball A Team Volunteer Coach
- 5) Employ Matt Norton, Baseball B Team Head Coach
- 6) Approve Paul Warner, Baseball B Team Volunteer Coach
- 7) Employ Anna Oelschlager, Girls Assistant Track Coach
- 8) Accept Resignation, Lisa Bruner, Special Ed Paraprofessional
- 9) Accept Resignation, Chuck Butterbrodt, Boys Head Track Coach
- 10) Accept Resignation, Corinne Klus, Special Ed Paraprofessional
- 11) Authorize Payment of Fiscal 2019 Bills
- 12) Authorize Payment of July 2019 Bills
- 13) Authorize Inter-Fund Transfers for 2018-19
- 14) Authorize Employment of New Faculty & Staff Members (2019-2020)

Moved by Ellis, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Carrie McCann, from Proven IT, was in attendance to review the proposed copier contract for 2019-20. After review of the proposal that was presented last month, the Board asked that the wording on the rebate letter be changed to omit "at Proven IT's discretion" in the first paragraph. McCann reviewed the cost savings she predicts with the Proven IT contract. The proposed contract combines billing for the 2 districts, but the GS portion will be split out separately from the HS when they begin billing. The total cost of the contract will be \$5,174.56 per month, which is \$503.57 less than Martin Whalen's total cost and there should be further savings with a 15% reduction in paper and print costs.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Stipanovich, to approve the copier/printer contract with Proven IT pending an addendum in language to paragraph #1, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Owens proposed hiring current Paraprofessional Emily Brownfield for the position of Elementary Teacher. Her classroom assignment is yet to be decided. Placement on the salary schedule will be at BS+0, Step #1, or base salary of \$36,068.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Christenson, to approve the employment of Emily Brownfield as an Elementary Teacher for the 2019-20 school year, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The contracts for property/liability/casualty insurance and Workman's Comp renewal with PSIC were presented. The total cost for the PLC insurance is \$24,885 and the WC insurance is \$10,900. The combined total is \$35,785, which is 3.74% lower than last year, or a savings of \$1,390.

Moved by Scheuer, seconded by Ellis, to approve the PSIC property/liability/casualty/workman's comp insurance quotes, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The contract for physical therapy services for the 2019-20 school year was presented. Hillman Pediatric Therapy has provided our PT services for the past couple of years and is proposing services for the 2019-20 school year at a cost of \$73/hour, or an increase of \$1/hour.

Moved by Stipanovich, seconded by Ellis, to approve the PT contract with Hillman Pediatric Therapy, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The 2019-20 Illinois Association of School Board Annual Dues in the amount of \$2,519 were presented for approval.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Scheuer, to approve the 2019-20 IASB Annual Dues, as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Consolidated District Plan for the 2019-20 school year was presented for approval. This plan is tied to federal and state grants and must be approved prior to July 1st.

Moved by Christenson, seconded by Scheuer, to approve the 2019-20 Consolidated District Plan as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The updated K-8 Student Handbook was presented for approval for the 2019-20 school year. The change regarding Board Scholars was not in this current version and the Board asked that it be amended to include the proposed change from Mr. Owens.

Moved by Cornale, seconded by Ferguson, to approve the K-8 Student Handbook as amended to include the proposed change on the definition of who receives a Board Scholar award. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The updated Activities Handbook was presented for approval for the 2019-20 school year.

Moved by Scheuer, seconded by Christenson, to approve the 2019-20 Activities Handbook as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Ellis, seconded by Christenson, to go into Executive Session at 6:59 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its

validity; According to Section 2, subsection c, #1 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Ellis, seconded by Stipanovich, to exit Executive Session at 7:39 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Scheuer, seconded by Ellis, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Voice vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Debbie Conroy, Secretary, District #232

Bo Partney, President, District #232