

Community School District of Fort Dodge, Iowa
Minutes of Board of Education Meeting
Regular Meeting
August 12, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors, Fort Dodge Community School District, Fort Dodge, Iowa, was called to order by President Cochrane at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Fort Dodge Community School District's Central Office, with Secretary Utley present.

Members present: Mr. Hansen, Ms. Tracy, Ms. Shimkat, Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Wagner, Mr. Kent, and Mr. Springer.

Members absent: None.

Others present: Superintendent Ulrich, Director of Financial Services Hansel, Director of Human Resources Negus, Director of Elementary Education Anderson, Director of Secondary Education Doebel, Principal Acree, Principal Harvey, Principal Flaherty, Principal Fitzgerald, Principal Banwart, Principal Davidson, Principal Laird, Athletic & Activities Director Astor, Director of Communications Lane, two mass media representatives, and one other interested party.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Shimkat, to approve the Board agenda as presented. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Tracy, to approve the following consent agenda items: 3.1) approval of minutes of the July 22, 2019, Regular Meeting; 3.2) approval of personnel; 3.3) approval of open enrollment requests from Jedidiah Burns, for Alemito Burns, (requests open enrollment from the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Jedidiah Burns, for Bereket Burns, (requests open enrollment from the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Kadence Jenson, for Karter Jenson, (requests open enrollment from the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Presla Foy, for Sarissa Morrison, (requests open enrollment from the Humboldt Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Morgan Brunt, for Sa'Reya Pearson, (requests open enrollment from the Humboldt Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Shannon Peterson & Michael Delle, for Ethan Delle, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Lindsey Lacina & Kody Dodge, for Grady Dodge, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Elaine Rorabacher, for Destiny Graves, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Rebecca Tubbs, for Natalee Sisneros, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Southeast Webster Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); denial of open enrollment requests from Carmen Guytan, for Coni Suastegui, (requests open enrollment from the Webster City Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Kellie Cervene, for Sophia Cervene, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Clayton Ridge Community Schools (IA Virtual Academy for the 2019-2020 school year); from September Harris, for Camron Cook, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Eileen Rorabacher, for Lainie Graves, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Darin Morris, for Levi Morris, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); from Edward Newsome, for Precious Newsome-Crooks, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Prairie Valley Community Schools for the 2019-2020 school year); 3.4) approval of contracts with Community and Family Resources; Iowa Department of Education; and Iowa Central Community College (Driver Education); 3.5) approval of fundraising requests from FDSH Dance Team and FDMS (Step It Up); and 3.6) approval of out of state travel for J. McBride to attend the AP Coordinator Training in Minneapolis, MN, on August 19, 2019. Six voting aye, Springer abstained, motion carried.

Recognition/Awards

Superintendent Ulrich recognized the building principals and is looking forward to the start of the 2019-2020 school year.

Communications/Announcements

Chad Thompson with the Fort Dodge Messenger announced that Kelby Wingert would be covering the District's Board of Education meetings as he has taken a new position as the City Editor.

Action Items/Presentations/Discussions

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Shimkat, to approve the Annual Fundraising Report for 2018-2019. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Wagner, to approve the pregame and halftime fireworks display at Dodger Homecoming on September 13, 2019. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Tracy, to approve the Diane Sweeney Professional Development in the amount of \$36,800. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Tracy, to approve the Achievement Network Professional Development in the amount of \$51,000. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Shimkat, to approve Consulting Services provided by Becky Hacker-Kluver in the amount of \$31,067.80. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Wagner to approve the Resolution to Adopt Return-to-Play Protocol. On a roll call vote the following voting aye: Springer, Tracy, Wagner, Cochrane, Kent, Shimkat, and Hansen. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

Name of School District Fort Dodge Community School District RESOLUTION TO ADOPT RETURN-TO-PLAY PROTOCOL 2019-18

WHEREAS, Concussions are a type of brain injury that can range from mild to severe and can disrupt the way the brain normally works. Concussions can occur with or without loss of consciousness. *Iowa Code 280.13C(1)(b)*

WHEREAS, Concussions are among the most commonly reported injuries to children and adolescents who participate in recreational activities. Continuing to engage in activities with a concussion or symptoms of a brain injury leaves a young athlete vulnerable to greater injury. *Iowa Code 280.13C(1)(a)(c)*

Coaches and/or student athletes must notify the athletic trainer if a concussion occurs or is diagnosed.

WHEREAS, Concussions can impair how a student athlete thinks, acts, feels and learns. A student who has sustained a concussion may need adjustments, modifications to curriculum, and monitoring by medical staff until the student is fully recovered. *Iowa Code 280.13C(1)(d)*

WHEREAS The Iowa Department of Public Health has created return-to-play protocol based upon peer-reviewed scientific evidence consistent with the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, for a student's return to participation in any extracurricular interscholastic activity after showing signs, symptoms, or behaviors consistent with a concussion or brain injury. *Iowa Code 280.13C(6)(a)*

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that *Fort Dodge Community School District* Board of Education formally adopts the return-to-play protocol established by the Iowa Department of Public Health, listed in 641 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 54 as the appropriate protocol for *Fort Dodge Community School District Iowa Code 280.13C(6)(a)*

ADOPTED by ACTION of the BOARD this 12th day of August, 2019

Signature
Stuart J. Cochrane

President of the Board of Directors
Fort Dodge Community School District

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Tracy, to approve the Student Handbooks for the 2019-2020 school year. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Wagner, to approve the Substitute Handbook for the 2019-2020 school year. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Discussion was held related to the 2019 School Board Elections that will be held on November 5, 2019, alongside city and county elections. Four seats are up for election. First day for candidate filing is August 26 and ends on September 19. Nomination papers can be picked up at the Central Administration Building.

Communications/Updates

Superintendent's Update: Dr. Ulrich shared information about the following: (1) new administrators and new teachers are starting to come back this week; and (2) welcome back assembly for all staff will be held at the Middle School on August 21, 2019. The general session will feature Dr. Todd Whitaker, a nationally renowned speaker and educational consultant.

Board updates: Policy committee approved waivers for the swim club and AFES. Capital projects committee met and reviewed their five year facilities plan. The Foundation hired a new director, whose name will be announced during a press release with The Messenger.

Closed Session

Moved by Springer, seconded by Tracy, to go into closed session under Section 21.5(1)a of the Code of Iowa "to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential or to be kept confidential as a condition for that governmental body's possession or continued receipt of federal funds." On a roll call vote the following voting aye: Hansen, Springer, Tracy, Wagner, Cochrane, Kent, and Shimkat. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Time in	:	6:29 p.m.
Time out	:	6:37 p.m.
Subject	:	Discussion of confidential records

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Shimkat, to return the meeting to open session at 6:37 p.m. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Shimkat, to go into closed session under Section 21.5(1)e of the Code of Iowa "to discuss whether to conduct a hearing or to conduct hearings to suspend or expel a student, unless an open session is requested by the student or a parent or guardian of the student if the student is a minor." On a roll call vote the following voting aye: Tracy, Wagner, Cochrane, Kent, Shimkat, Hansen, and Springer. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Time in	:	6:37 p.m.
Time out	:	6:46 p.m.
Subject	:	Consideration of student re-entry

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Tracy, to return the meeting to open session at 6:46 p.m. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Moved by Kent, seconded by Springer, to go into closed session under Section 21.5(1)i of the Code of Iowa "to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when a closed session is necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session." On a roll call vote the following voting aye: Springer, Tracy, Wagner, Cochrane, Kent, Shimkat, and Hansen. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Time in	:	6:51 p.m.
Time out	:	7:29 p.m.
Subject	:	Evaluation of personnel

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Shimkat, to return the meeting to open session at 7:29 p.m. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Superintendent Ulrich gave one more update on the current enrollment for elementary boundaries. The Board shared a desire to keep all families within their elementary boundaries.

Adjournment

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Shimkat, to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. All present voting aye, motion carried.

Adriana Utley
Board Secretary

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