



COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FORT DODGE, IOWA

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Regular Meeting

January 8, 2018

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.

Members Present	:	Mr. Springer, Mr. Kent, Mr. Hansen, Ms. Shimkat, Ms. Tracy, and Mr. Cochrane.
Members Absent	:	Mr. Wagner.
Others Present	:	Superintendent Van Zyl, Assistant Superintendent/Board Secretary Hughes, Director of Financial Services Hansel, Director of Communications Lane, Director of Student Services Harms, Murray Stanley, CPA, Principal Reding, Principal Hayes, Director of Buildings & Grounds Filloon, one mass media representative, Administrative Assistant Utley, and 26 other interested parties.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Shimkat, to approve the Board agenda as presented. All six present voting aye, no nays, one absent, motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Kent, seconded by Tracy, to approve the following consent agenda items: 3.1) approval of the minutes from the December 20, 2017, Regular Meeting and Public Forum; 3.2) approval of personnel; 3.3) approval of open enrollment requests from Becky Amspoker, for Dawson Amspoker, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Ashley Lundberg, for Mason Lundberg, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Damien Dornath, for Izaka Parker, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Humboldt Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Jon & Andrea DeJong, for Simon DeJong, (requests open enrollment from the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2018-2019 school year); from Brian & Janele Lincoln, for Addison Lincoln, (requests open enrollment from the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2018-2019 school year); from Monty & Lori Read, for Alexis Read, (requests open enrollment from the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2018-2019 school year); from Williams & Marisa Hamilton, for Claudia Hamilton, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2018-2019 school year); from Scott & Diane Macek, for Elis Macek, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2018-2019 school year); and from Scott & Diane Macek, for Jayne Macek, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools for the 2018-2019 school year); 3.4) approval of contracts with GWAEA for Special Education Services, Mason City Community School District, Naviance, Inc., and Des Moines Independent Community School District; 3.5) approval of fundraising requests from FDSH Baseball, Boys Swimming, Senior High and Middle School Boys Track, and FCCLA; and 3.6) approval of out of state travel requests for S. Cole and

S. Anderson to attend the AASA Project in Reno, NV, on January 25-27, 2018. All six present voting aye, no nays, one absent, motion carried.

Communications/Announcements

Ms. Branwyn Greathouse presented the Fort Dodge Education Association’s intent to bargain letter to the board members.

Recognition/Awards

Director of Communications Lane shared an overview of the Employee and Students of the Month Awards for exemplary academic performance and character. Board Member Hansen presented certificates and Fort Frenzy gift cards to the following individuals for the month of January:

Elementary: Allisyn Parker
Middle School: Hannah Drummond
High School: Joshua Harrison
Employee: Ryan O’Leary

Action Items/Presentations/Discussions

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Springer, to accept the 2016-2017 Financial Audit presented by Murray Stanley, CPA with Schnurr & Company, LLP of Fort Dodge, Iowa. All six present voting aye, no nays, one absent, motion carried.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Tracy, to approve the Modified Allowable Growth At-Risk Dropout Prevention Application presented by Director of Student Services Harms. The Fort Dodge Community School District is eligible for \$1,622,593. The State provides \$1,216,945 and the District \$405,648. This grant funds the At-Risk Programs which include: Academic/Behavior Supports (ABC), Bridges, Gordon Willard Alternative Education Center, Intensive Behavior Supports Program, Juvenile Court Liaisons, Middle School Success Center, Middle School At-Risk Services, Student Achievement Center/Academic Learning Supports (ALS), and Extended Programming and Credit Recovery. All six present voting aye, no nays, one absent, motion carried.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Springer, to approve the “Resolution For Final Acceptance And Closing Final Project Costs For The Public Improvement Contract With Wells Concrete Products For The Duncombe Elementary Bid Package 1.2”. On Roll Call vote the following voting AYES: Cochrane, Kent, Shimkat, Hansen, Springer, and Tracy. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wagner. Motion carried.

Resolution 2018-01
RESOLUTION FOR FINAL ACCEPTANCE
AND CLOSING FINAL PROJECT COSTS
FOR THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT WITH
WELLS CONCRETE PRODUCTS

WHEREAS, on May 13th, 2016, Fort Dodge Community School District entered into a construction contract with Wells Concrete Products. of Wells, Minnesota, “Contractor” for the construction of certain public improvements generally described as the Duncombe Elementary School Construction Bid Package 1.2 Precast Architectural Wall Panels Material and Installation (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, on October 7th, 2015, Fort Dodge Community School District entered into a contract with I + S Group, Inc. (“Architect”) for architectural/engineering design services associated with the above Project; and

WHEREAS, on December 20th, 2017, Architect filed a certificate with the Fort Dodge Community School District certifying that the contractor had substantially completed the construction of said public improvements in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract and plans and specifications.

WHEREAS, the Architect has now submitted a subsequent report, change order, bonds, close out documents and pay application to Fort Dodge Community School District recommending that the project be accepted by the District as finally complete.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors Fort Dodge Community School District:

Section 1: That said reports, documents and recommendation of the Architect are hereby approved and adopted.

Section 2: That said public improvement is hereby approved and accepted as having been fully and finally completed in accordance with said plans, specifications, and form of contract.

Section 3: That the total contract cost of the improvement yet payable under said contract with Well Concrete Products. is hereby determined to be \$19,887.50.

Section 4: That \$19,887.50 of the total contract cost yet paid shall be retained for a period of thirty (30) days following this board's action to finally accept this public improvement project, pursuant to the requirements of Iowa Code § 573.14. If at the end of the thirty-day period, claims are on file as provided the Fort Dodge Community School District shall continue to retain from the unpaid funds a sum equal to double the total amount of all claims on file. The remaining balance of the unpaid fund, or if no claims are on file, the entire unpaid fund, shall be released and paid to the contractor in accordance with Iowa law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 8th day of January, 2018.

President of the Board of Directors,
Fort Dodge Community School District

ATTEST:

Secretary, Fort Dodge Community School District

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Tracy, to approve the "Resolution For Final Acceptance And Final Project Costs For The Public Improvement Contract With Jensen Builders Ltd. For The Duncombe Elementary Bid Package 1.6 Playground". On a roll call vote the following voting AYES: Kent, Shimkat, Hansen, Springer, Tracy, and Cochrane. NAYES: None. ABSENT: Wagner. Motion carried.

Resolution 2018-02
RESOLUTION FOR FINAL ACCEPTANCE
AND CLOSING FINAL PROJECT COSTS
FOR THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACT WITH
JENSEN BUILDERS LTD

WHEREAS, on June 1st, 2016, Fort Dodge Community School District entered into a construction contract with Jensen Builders Ltd. of Fort Dodge, Iowa, "Contractor" for the construction of certain public improvements generally described as the Duncombe Elementary School Construction Bid Package 1.6 Playground ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, on October 7th, 2015, Fort Dodge Community School District entered into a contract with I + S Group, Inc. ("Architect") for architectural/engineering design services associated with the above Project; and

WHEREAS, on December 21st, 2017, Architect filed a certificate with the Fort Dodge Community School District certifying that the contractor had substantially completed the construction of said public improvements in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract and plans and specifications.

WHEREAS, the Architect has now submitted a subsequent report, change order, bonds, close out documents and pay application to Fort Dodge Community School District recommending that the project be accepted by the District as finally complete.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors Fort Dodge Community School District:

Section 1: That said reports, documents and recommendation of the Architect are hereby approved and adopted.

Section 2: That said public improvement is hereby approved and accepted as having been fully and finally completed in accordance with said plans, specifications, and form of contract.

Section 3: That the total contract cost of the improvement yet payable under said contract with Jensen Builders Ltd. is hereby determined to be \$7,959.50.

Section 4: That \$7,959.50 of the total contract cost yet paid shall be retained for a period of thirty (30) days following this board's action to finally accept this public improvement project, pursuant to the requirements of Iowa Code § 573.14. If at the end of the thirty-day period, claims are on file as provided the Fort Dodge Community School District shall continue to retain from the unpaid funds a sum equal to double the total amount of all claims on file. The remaining balance of the unpaid fund, or if no claims are on file, the entire unpaid fund, shall be released and paid to the contractor in accordance with Iowa law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 8th day of January, 2018.

President of the Board of Directors,
Fort Dodge Community School District

ATTEST:

Secretary, Fort Dodge Community School District

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Shimkat, to approve the second reading of the Board Policy/Procedures: 305.1A (Procedure) Administrator Benefits (Certified/Non-Certified) and 800.14 Tobacco Free Environment. All six present voting aye, no nays, one absent, motion carried.

Communications/Updates

Superintendent's Update: Dr. Van Zyl shared information about the following: (1) mid-year review workshop will be held on January 10, 2017; (2) RSP & Associates sent notes related to boundaries for elementary buildings; (3) legislative activity is beginning to occur; (4) negotiations will begin in the near future; and (5) FDSH schedules will be discussed during the next regular Board meeting.

Board Update and Committee Reports:

Board Committees:

Health and Safety/Policy: None.

Long Range Planning/Finance: Met on January 8, 2018, and discussed bus bids and athletic funding.

Capital Projects: None.

Negotiations: FDEA presented their letter of intent to bargain.

Board Representation on a Committee:

Foundation: Met and discussed the upcoming fundraiser.

Comprehensive School Improvement/Equity (meets quarterly): None.

Adjournment

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Kent, to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. All six present voting aye, no nays, one absent, motion carried.

Robert L. Hughes
Board Secretary

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