



COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FORT DODGE, IOWA
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Regular Meeting

April 11, 2016

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 PM in the Board Room at the Central Office.

Members present : Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Kent, and Ms. Tracy.

Members absent : Ms. Shimkat, Mr. Springer, and Mr. Wagner.

Others present : Superintendent Van Zyl, Assistant Superintendent/Board Secretary Hughes, Director of Financial Services Hansel, Director of Buildings & Grounds Filloon, Director of Communications Lane, one mass media representative, and 20 interested parties.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Kent, seconded by Forsythe, to approve the Board agenda as presented. All four present voting aye, no nays, three absent, motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Kent, seconded by Forsythe, to approve the following consent agenda items: 3.1) approval of the minutes from the March 28, 2016 Regular Meeting; 3.2) approval of personnel; 3.3) approval of open enrollment requests from Molly Hamilton for Raelynn Cook (requests open enrollment from the Prairie Valley School District to the Fort Dodge Community School District for the 2016-2017 school year); Marysol Sanchez for Alejandra Gonzales (requests open enrollment from the Humboldt School District to the Fort Dodge Community School District for the 2016-2015 school year); 3.4) approval of contracts from Meadowbrook, Inc., Kolacia Construction and I+S Group, and with South East Polk Community Schools; 3.5) approval of fundraiser requests from the Future Dodger Baseball Camp; and 3.6) approval out-of-state travel request for A. Bane and S. Fitzgerald who attended Kylee Beers training in Lisle, Illinois on March 14 and 15, 2016. All four present voting aye, no nays, three absent, motion carried.

Recognition/Awards

Director of Communications Lane introduced the April Students and Employee of the Month. President Cochrane congratulated the winners and presented certificates and Fort Frenzy gift cards to the following individuals:

Elementary: David Cardenas Jr.
Middle School: Asle Thorson
High School: Javion Davis
Employee: John Newman from Fort Dodge Middle School

Communications/Announcements/Presentations

Comments from the Public: none.

Shelby Louk, a student at Fort Dodge Senior High, is organizing a mental health walk on May 21, 2016. Ms. Louk's goal is to establish a connection to the community, collaborating with the third Thursday Fit Night.

Action Items/ Discussions

Dr. Van Zyl offered an overview of the 2016-2017 School Calendar. Moved by Forsythe, seconded by Tracy, to approve the calendar as presented. All four present voting aye, no nays, three absent, motion carried.

Director of Financial Services Hansel presented the 2015-2016 budget amendment . Moved by Kent, seconded by Tracy, to approve the amendment and to establish a public hearing on Monday, April 25, at 6:00 p.m. at Riverside Early Learning Center. All four present voting aye, no nays, three absent, motion carried.

Moved by Forsythe, seconded by Kent, to approve Resolution 2016-15 to name depositories. On a roll-call vote, the following voting aye: Kent, Tracy, Cochrane, and Forsythe. Voting nay: none. Absent: Shimkat, Springer, and Wagner. Motion carried.

Director of Building and Grounds Filloon introduced the resolution and answered questions for the bid package. Moved by Fosite, seconded by Tracy, to approve the resolution of tentatively approving the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of total cost for the bid package 1.2 precast architectural wall panel material and installation at Duncombe Elementary School and setting the time, date and location for a hearing thereon and further authorizing the advertisement for competitive bids on said bid package 1.2 precast architectural wall panel material and installation; Duncombe Elementary School project. On a roll-call vote, the following voting aye: Tracy, Cochrane, Forsythe, and Kent. Voting nay: none. Absent: Shimkat, Springer, and Wagner. Motion carried.

Communications/Updates

Superintendent's Update: Dr. Van Zyl shared information about the following: 1) an overview of the Duncombe demolition and future construction process; 2) the safety and security projects, along with Senior High improvements, have been addressed and continue to develop; 3) bond sales went out last Thursday, April 7, 2016; 4) negotiations continue; and 5) Senior High award night and graduation are being addressed.

Board Update and Committee Reports:Board Committees:

Health and Safety/Policy: No report. Scheduled to meet next April 25, 2016.

Long Range Planning/Finance: Discussed personnel considerations.

Capital Projects: The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 14, 2016 with ISG of Mankato, Minnesota.

Negotiations: Tentative agreements have been reached with the teacher bargaining group; three other bargaining meetings will occur this week, and the last bargaining unit is meeting April 20, 2016.

Communications: No report.

Board Representation on a Committee:

Foundation: No report.

Adjournment

Moved by Forsythe, seconded by Tracy, to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m. All four present voting aye, no nays, three absent, motion carried.

Robert L. Hughes
Board Secretary

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