



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

Special Meeting

March 12, 2018

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, Fort Dodge Community School District, Fort Dodge, Iowa, was called to order by President Cochrane at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Fort Dodge Community School District's Central Office, with Secretary Hughes present.

- Members Present : Mr. Wagner, Mr. Hansen, Mr. Cochrane, Ms. Tracy, Mr. Springer, Ms. Shimkat, and Mr. Kent.
Members absent : None.
Others present : Superintendent Van Zyl, Middle School Principal Flaherty, Assistant Middle School Principal Buckner, and other interested parties.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Tracy, to approve the Board agenda as presented. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Closed Session

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Springer, to go into closed session under Section 21.5(e) of the Code of Iowa "to discuss whether to conduct a hearing or 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: Shimkat, Hansen, Springer, Tracy, Wagner, Cochrane, and Kent. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

- Time in : 5:33 p.m.
Time out : 5:41 p.m.
Subject : Long Term Suspension

President Cochrane returned the meeting to open session at 5:41 p.m.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Hansen, that the student who was the subject of the hearing be placed on a long term suspension from the Fort Dodge Middle School through the first semester of the 2018-2019 school year, while taking online courses, with the opportunity to return in the fall of the 2018-2019 school year at FDSH in the alternative program upon successful completion of online academic coursework and social-emotional skills program, attend mental health counseling with appropriate recommendations from mental health professional prior to re-entry, and approval by FDCSD administration. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Robert L. Hughes
Board Secretary