



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

Regular Meeting

November 13, 2017

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 Library at the Fort Dodge Senior High.

Members Present	:	Mr. Cochrane, Mr. Wagner, Ms. Tracy, Mr. Hansen, Ms. Shimkat, Mr. Springer, and Mr. Kent.
Members absent	:	None.
Others present	:	Superintendent Van Zyl, Assistant Superintendent/Board Secretary Hughes, Director of Financial Services Hansel, Director of Buildings & Grounds Filloon, Director of Communications Lane, Principal Anderson, Principal Hayes, one mass media representative, Administrative Assistant Utlely, and 35 other interested parties.

### Approval of the Agenda

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

### Consent Agenda

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wagner, to approve the following consent agenda items: 3.1) approval of the minutes from the October 23, 2017, Regular Meeting and October 30, 2017, Special Meeting; 3.2) approval of personnel; 3.3) approval of open enrollment requests from Jon and Amanda Janssen, for Tanner Andrews, (requests open enrollment from the Manson Northwest Webster Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Tony Hannover, for Ashtyn Hannover, (requests open enrollment from the Webster City Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Jerome & Jenna Matton, for Jillian Matton, (requests open enrollment from the Southeast Webster Grand Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Jerome & Jenna Matton, for Joselyn Matton, (requests open enrollment from the Southeast Webster Grand Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Jerome & Jenna Matton, for Julia Matton, (requests open enrollment from the Southeast Webster Grand Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Jonathan Widen, for Tessa Widen, (requests open enrollment from the Southeast Webster Grand Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Monet Elwick, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Prairie Valley Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Dawn Smits, for Detric Harrington, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Prairie Valley Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); 3.4) approval of contracts with Cedar Rapids Community School District, Waverly-Shell Rock Community School District, Childcare Discovery Center, Saint Edmond, Southeast Webster-Grand Community School District, Forest City Community School District, Perry Community School District, Centerville Community School District, Mason City Community School District, Des Moines Independent Community School District, and Iowa School for the Deaf; 3.5) approval of fundraising requests from High School Girls Basketball and FDSH Wrestling; and 3.6) approval of out of state travel for A. Tew, A. Jaeschke, J. Schreiber, and K. Wedeking to

attend ACTE Career Tech VISION 2017 in Nashville, TN, on December 6-9, 2017. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

### Communications/Announcements

Comments from the public: None.

### Recognition/Awards

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

Elementary: Dawson Skoland  
Middle School: Brooke Geopfert  
High School: Angela Bass  
Employee: Peg Christensen

### Action Items/Presentations/Discussions

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Tracy, to approve change order number 005 for the High School Classroom and Locker Room Renovations. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Hansen, to approve change order number 006 for the High School Classroom and Locker Room Renovations. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Shimkat, to approve revisions to Board policies 502.7, 503.3, and 605.3. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Springer, to approve the Fall 2017 SBRC Application for Modified Supplemental Amount for Increasing Enrollment (\$599,513.60), Open Enrollment Out, and LEP beyond 5 years (\$30,912.42). All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

### Communications/Updates

Superintendent's Update: Dr. Van Zyl shared information about the following: (1) Veteran's Day assemblies were highlighted; (2) World Language Professional Development and Curriculum considerations were made in the week of November 6, 2017; (3) tours of the Denison Community Schools were offered to board members; (4) IASB Convention is taking place November 15-17, 2017; (5) boundary meetings will be held at the Middle School on December 4 and 20, 2017; and (6) the November 27, 2017, board of education meeting will be held at the Middle School Auditorium.

### Board Update and Committee Reports:

#### Board Committees:

Health and Safety/Policy: No report.

Long Range Planning/Finance: Construction discussions.

Capital Projects: ISG improvement plan considerations.

Negotiations: IPERS contribution and implications.

#### Board Representation on a Committee:

Foundation: Executive Director started October 25, 2017.

Comprehensive School Improvement/Equity (meets quarterly): Will meet in the spring of 2018.

Adjournment

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Shimkat, to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 p.m. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Robert L. Hughes  
Board Secretary

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