



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

Regular Meeting

November 27, 2017

The Board of Education participated in an informal awards reception held for students and their families in the Middle School Auditorium Lobby, followed by the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors that was called to order by President Cochrane at 6:00 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.

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, Director of Education Services Cole, Fort Dodge Foundation Director Nelson, Director of Athletics & Activities Elsbecker, Principal Acree, Principal Cross, Principal Reding, Assistant Principal Astor, one mass media representative, Administrative Assistant Utey, and other interested parties.

Approval of the Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

Moved by Shimkat, seconded by Tracy, to approve the following consent agenda items: 3.1) approval of the minutes from the November 13, 2017, Regular Meeting; 3.2) approval of personnel; 3.3) approval of open enrollment requests from Denise Duple, for Lucas Alstott, (requests open enrollment from the Southeast Webster Grand Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Tekierra Shivers, for Landon Shivers, (requests open enrollment from the Prairie Valley Community Schools to the Ft. Dodge Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); from Connie Harvey, for Ty/Cameron Harvey, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Prairie Valley Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); and denial of open enrollment requests from Shelly Read, for Derrick Read, (requests open enrollment from the Ft. Dodge Community Schools to the Webster City Community Schools for the 2017-2018 school year); 3.4) approval of contracts with Waverly-Shell Rock Community School District, Woodward Granger Community School District, Humboldt Community School District, Ames Community School District, and Des Moines Independent Community School District; 3.5) approval of fundraising requests: none were submitted; and 3.6) allow for payment the attached listing of bills from the general, management, physical plant, equipment, capital projects, activity, and nutrition funds. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Communications/Announcements

Comments from the public: None.

Recognition/Awards

The Awards ceremony opened with a performance by the FDSH Chamber Choir. Following the performance, President Cochrane introduced the Fort Dodge Community Schools Foundation Executive Director Molly Nelson. Ms. Nelson shared her background and passion for the Fort Dodge Community School District, and highlighted the accomplishments of the Fort Dodge Community Schools Foundation. The Foundation was established in 1985 and allows supplemental support to students and faculty members for educational purposes.

In recognition of student accomplishments during the first trimester, Athletics & Activities Director Elsbecker introduced the directors, coaches, and instructors who gave a short narration about the accomplishments of the students. The following categories were acknowledged:

Girls Swimming: Morgan Border - All Conference 200 Freestyle Relay, 22nd Place 200 Freestyle Relay; Elora Fierke – All Conference 100 Breaststroke, 22nd Place 200 Freestyle Relay; Grace Hartley - All Conference 200 Freestyle Relay, 22nd Place 200 Freestyle Relay, 14th Place 400 Freestyle Relay; Taylor Hartley - All Conference 500 Freestyle, All Conference 200 Freestyle Relay, Regional Champion 500 Freestyle, 13th Place 200 Freestyle, 9th Place 500 Freestyle, 14th Place 400 Freestyle Relay; Madigan Peimann - All Conference 200 Freestyle Relay, 22nd Place 200 Freestyle Relay, 14th Place 400 Freestyle Relay; and Luanne Xiao - 15th Place 100 Backstroke, 14th Place 400 Freestyle Relay.

Competition Squad – State Coed Cheer Champions: Kira Albright, Hope Anderson, Joley Bird, McKenna Bishop, Olivia Bork, Mia Casarez, Ava Clay, Emma Ebelsheiser, Brandon Gehlhausen, Rhiannon Gormally, Apha Habhabh, Brookelynn Hemrick, Sydney Karr, Addi Moritz, Alexis Osterberg, Alaina Porter, Avery Ramirez, Laney Rees, Tatem Rees, Ona Roe, Alaysha Ross, Avery Thompson, Isaach Tripp, Jenna Williams, and Ellie Yoder.

Timeout Squad – State 4A Timeout Champions: Madi Adams, Ava Baedke, Ellie Baedke, Brookelynn Bailey, Macy Benton, Shivani Bhatt, Adyson Bork, Bree Campbell, Kelsey Charles, Maddie Daniel, Lexie Estlund, Olivia Ferris, Ernie Grove, Kenzie Kofoot, Piera McBride, Ellie McClintock, Samira McMahan, Kylei Moore, Jordan Morud, Katie Parsons, Olivia Pattison, Taylor Roberson, Mickey Roberts, Madi Smith, Taylor Smith, Tayte Specht, Maddie Sweeney, and Mackenzie Weber.

Softball: Maggie Harvey - 2nd Team All State, 1st Team All District, Des Moines Register All State Team, 1st Team Iowa All-Conference; 2nd Team Iowa All-Conference: Mack Provin, Loghen Schnetzer, and Bre Tjebben; Honorable Mention All-Conference: Daphne Alstott, Aubrey Davis, Tristin Doster, Meagan Hartman, Tehya Miller, and Kaden Pederson; Academic All-Conference Award 3.25 or higher: Daphne Alstott, Hailey Anderson, Aubrey Davis, Karlee Grove, Meagan Hartman, Molly Hartman, Makayla Johnson, Tehya Miller, Kaden Pederson, Aleah Sherman, Bre Tjebben, and Katelyn Werning.

Volleyball: Ebonee Altman - Honorable Mention All-Conference; Brooke Erickson - Honorable Mention All-Conference; Kacee Gollob - 2nd Team All-Conference; Beth Murman - 1st Team All-Conference; Kaden Pederson - Honorable Mention All-Conference; and Josie Shirbroun - Honorable Mention All-Conference.

Band: Alex Dischler - Load Master; Landon Getting - Drum Major; Karisa Meier - Drum Major; Katie Parsons - Flute Section Leader & Band President; Malorie Tracy - Horn Line Section Leader; and Justin Vaughan - Drum Major.

9th Grade OPUS Honor Choir: Josh Meier.

Iowa All-State Chorus: Eli Asay, Brayden Bell, Dartangan Dohrn, Collin Ellsbury, Landon Getting, Keziah Henkelman, Joey Kelley, Karisa Meier, and Olyvia Selby.

Iowa Association of School Boards Convention Performance: Eli Asay, Emily Asay, Brayden Bell, Reagan Black, Courtney Cordle, Dartangan Dohrn, Collin Ellsbury, Kane Freeman, Landon Getting, Keziah Henkelman, Joey Kelley, Jamie Lennon, Karisa Meier, Olivia Mitchell, Kyle Pederson, Alaina Porter, Hannah Reynoso, Olyvia Selby, Grace Stackhouse, and Chloe Vinchattle.

Fall Play: Austin Andrews, Isabel Beekman, Grace Champagne, Courtney Cordle, Anya Hamilton, Jacob Laird, Josh Meier, Karisa Meier, Annie Niemeyer, Hannah Reynoso, and Sawyer Springer.

Football: 1st Team All District: Tyrnan Lara, Drake Miller, and Trey Mosley; 2nd Team All District: Damond Lockner, Bryer Nelson, and Dalton Schmidt; Honorable Mention: Tysen Kershaw, Brayden Bell, Dayson Clayton, Luke Jacobson, Mason Bodholdt, Alec Crimmins, Dakota Stenzel, Aaron Porter, and Logan Finowski; 2nd Team All-State: Drake Miller and Trey Mosley.

Action Items/Presentations/Discussions

Moved by Kent, seconded by Shimkat, to approve the change for order number 015 for the New Duncombe Elementary School Bid Package 1.6 Playground with Jensen Builders Ltd. of Fort Dodge, Iowa, constituting a deduction of \$1,650.00. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Hansen, to approve the "Resolution For Final Acceptance and Closing Final Project Costs For The Public Improvement Contract with Kolacia Construction, Inc. for the District-Wide Security Project." On a roll call vote the following voting AYES: Wagner, Cochrane, Kent, Shimkat, Hansen, Springer, and Tracy. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Tracy, to accept the monthly financial reports for September 30, 2017, through October 31, 2017. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Superintendent Van Zyl explained the current construction status and considerations on when to move forward with populating / use of Duncombe Elementary. Board members shared in discussion and offered their perspectives. Preference was expressed to delay move into the New Duncombe Elementary building until beginning of the 2018-2019 school year.

Board members shared in and offered insights related to the 2017 Iowa Association of School Boards Convention and Delegate Assembly that took place on November 15-17, 2017.

Communications/Updates

Superintendent's Update: Dr. Van Zyl shared information about the following: (1) calendar review and recommendations are underway; (2) negotiation meetings will begin in December; (3) ELL tours of the Denison Community School District have begun and will continue through February 2018; and (4) community forum meetings on elementary boundaries will be held at the Middle School on December 4 and December 20, 2017.

Board Update and Committee Reports:

Board Committees:

Health and Safety/Policy: Next meeting will be held in December.

Long Range Planning/Finance: No report.

Capital Projects: ISG project list is being reviewed.

Negotiations: Meetings will begin in December to layout budgetary issues and health insurance benefits.

Board Representation on a Committee:

Foundation: No report.

Comprehensive School Improvement/Equity (meets quarterly): Next meeting will be held in April of 2018.

Adjournment

Moved by Wagner, seconded by Hansen, to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. All seven present voting aye, no nays, motion carried.

Robert L. Hughes
Board Secretary

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