

**Central DeWitt Community School District
DeWitt – Grand Mound – Low Moor – Welton**

The Central DeWitt Community School Board of Education met for a regular board meeting on October 14, 2015 at the Central DeWitt Middle School Media Center at 6:00 p.m. Directors Hannah Perrone, Cody Huff, and President Steve Fuglsang were present along with Superintendent Peterson and Secretary Cyndie Johnson. Administrative Staff present were: George Pickup, Tim Bradley, Jen Vance and Kurt Kreiter. Media representation included Jan Huffman, Clinton Herald. Director Angela Rheingans joined the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Director Christy Kunz was not in attendance.

Opening of Meeting:

President Fuglsang opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Director Perrone, Director Huff to approve the tentative agenda as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Moved by Director Huff, Director Perrone to approve the minutes of September 30th. Motion carried 3-0.

There were no public comments.

Information & Discussion Item(s)

Administrative Reports:

Administrator Vance reported that the Iowa assessment testing would begin soon. Notifications as well as last year scores will be sent to parents on October 25.

Administrator Pickup reported that Representative Norlin Mommsen toured the buildings last week. He will be back to visit in November. He also met with Congressman Dave Loebsack regarding federal assistance issues. Several students participated.

He also reported that Manufacturing Day was very well attended with Senator Hart attending. This event is a great partnership with the community for the District.

Administrator Pickup reported that our National Honor Society has 21 new members. He is currently the acting sponsor.

Administrator Bradley reported that he received many compliments regarding our students' presence at Manufacturing Day. It was felt it was a very beneficial program for those attending.

He also stated there will be a visit to the Keystone facility in Davenport next week to see the operations of this program. This will help with future direction for our needs. Dr. Peterson stated it would be great to have our own facility and serve our students. President Fuglsang stated that having a facility in the district is in line with the Board's goals and the direction will be determined soon.

Certified Enrollment Update:

The overall number of resident students served is down 5.6 students. Our open enrolled students we serve is up 13.1 from last year. Continuing to work on getting our Certified Enrollment to change directions.

Mississippi Bend AEA New Teacher Induction Program:

Nicole Peterson, Mississippi Bend AEA and Carla Wall presented an update on the Induction Consortium we have in place to help retain our quality teachers. This is our first year of working together with AEA to provide support for 1st and 2nd year teachers. This program has been a great opportunity for our beginning teachers. The grant we received is 1 of 11 granted.

Legislative Report:

We are watching the proposal made by Governor Branstad regarding large corporations receiving a large reduction in paying sales tax. This reduction could cost our District \$45,000. Looking to set an invitation for the November Board meeting for our legislators to hear and see more what our needs include.

District Signage:

See report for Capital Project Funding below.

Capital Project Funding:

The Board was presented with the current status of the Physical Plant & Equipment Levy (PPEL) and Secure and Advanced Vision for Education (SAVE) funds. The Administration team will revise a list of needs and bring forward to the Board. Within this list will be the name change considerations as well as other items that will be a priority over the next several years.

Action Items:

Moved by Director Perrone, Director Huff to accept the Personnel Report as follows:

Motion carried 3-0.

Licensed Personnel

Resignation of Steve Butler from the positions of Iowa Youth Symposium and Model United Nations Advisor, effective 10/6/2015.

Resignation of Leah Mork from the position of Assistant Varsity Softball Coach, effective immediately.

Recommendation to hire Denise McAleer as the Youth Symposium Advisor at the stipend of .02 pro-rated starting 10/15/15.

Recommendation to hire Eddie Mercado as the Model United Nations Advisor at the stipend of .02 pro-rated starting 10/15/15.

Support Personnel

Recommendation to increase the hours of Michele Dammeier, Special Education Associate at the High School, from 6.75 hours to 7 hours/day starting October 5, 2015. This is due to transportation and meeting the required hours for the students.

Resignation of Vanessa McNeely from her position as Events Coordinator for the Central Performing Arts Center (CPAC), effective November 7, 2015.

Recommendation to increase the hours of Colleen McDevitt, Special Education Associate at Ekstrand, from 5 hours to 6 hours/day starting October 12, 2015. This is due to a new IEP student.

Moved by Director Huff, Director Rheingans to approve the SBRC request for allowable growth increase in the amount of \$211,827.73 for Special Education Deficit for the 2014-2015 School Year. This allows the District additional spending authority, which can be supported with cash in upcoming years via property tax. Motion carried 4-0.

Moved by Director Perrone, Director Huff to approve the September 2015 financial report. Motion carried 4-0.

Moved by Director Rheingans, Director Huff to accept the second reading of Revision to Legal Status of the School District, Code No 100, and Revising District Name in All Policies 100-900. Motion carried 4-0.

Moved by Director Huff, Director Perrone to accept second reading of Revisions to Following Policies: Equal Educational Opportunity Code Nos. 102 through 102.R1; Anti-Bullying/Anti-Harassment Code Nos. 104-104.R1; Summer School Licensed

Employees Code No. 410.2; Student Conduct Code No. 503.1; Student Promotion - Retention - Acceleration Code No. 505.2; Summer School Instruction Code No. 603.2
Motion carried 4-0.

Consent Agenda Item(s)

Moved by Director Huff, Director Rheingans to accept the entire consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

Future Board of Education Meetings & Opportunities

School Board Tour of Facilities Monday, October 19, 2015, 7:30 am - meet at the Administration Center

IASB Board Member Orientation Workshop Thursday, October 22, 2015, 6:00 pm, at the Bettendorf Administration Center Building, 3311 18th St., Bettendorf, Iowa

Pre-Agenda Meeting Wednesday, November 4, 2015: 7:30 am

School Board Development Session Wednesday, November 11, 2015: 5:30pm

School Board Regular Meeting Wednesday, November 11, 2015: 6:00 pm

IASB Annual Convention November 18-20, 2015, in Des Moines

Adjournment

President Fuglsang adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Steve Fuglsang, Board President

Cyndie Johnson, Board Secretary