

DURANT COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 14, 2022
Unofficial Minutes

President Julie Rivera brought the meeting to order at 5:30 pm with the reading of the district mission statement and roll call. Present for roll: Julie Rivera, Katy Oberlander, Tara Lindsay, Travis Bullard and Carla Whitlock.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Ms. Oberlander, seconded by Ms. Whitlock and carried 5-0.

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2022 Regular Meeting and the February 28, 2022 Work Session was made by Ms. Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Bullard and carried 5-0.

Monica Wulf, DEA Representative, was present and exchanged initial interest proposal statements with the Board for Interest Based Problem Solving for the FY23 school year.

Nick Diffenderfer spoke to the board regarding how the district responded to Covid-19 and presented information relating to coronavirus and vaccination of students and masking. Mr. Diffenderfer asked the board to consider a different response if mandates were to be put back into place in the future. Concerns were also expressed about making a workout program available for all students, late starts on Wednesdays and the beginning and ending time for students.

Ms. Kephart reviewed the financial statements and lists of bills. Motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Ms. Lindsay, seconded by Ms. Oberlander and carried 5-0.

Ms. Stineman updated the board on Committees, including Attendance, PBIS and BLT. Also discussed was Office updates and upcoming dates for conferences and ISASP testing.

Mr. Diederichs reminded the board of the date change for the NHS banquet to Wednesday, April 6th at 6:00 pm. Ms. Link directed the Spring Variety Show on March 4th, 5th & 6th and it was very well attended. The Durant JR/SR High School was selected to receive a \$5000 donation from the Bayer Fund. Adam Wulf listed the school as a recipient and the funds will be used to support the STEM/Robotics program.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda #1 as presented was made by Ms. Whitlock, seconded by Ms. Lindsay and carried 5-0. Consent Agenda #1 includes:

Resignations:

Austin Halls, 9th Grade Boys Basketball Coach
Marie Richman, Elementary Associate

Job Descriptions:

Technology Director/Coordinator

Motion to approve Consent Agenda #2 as presented was made by Ms. Oberlander, seconded by Ms. Whitlock and carried 5-0. Consent Agenda #2 includes the first review of the following policies:

706.1 Payroll Periods
706.2 Payroll Deductions
706.3 Pay Deductions
706.3R1 Pay Deductions Regulation
707.1 Secretary's Reports
707.2 Treasurer's Annual Report

- 707.3 Publication of Financial Reports
- 707.4 Audit
- 707.5 Internal Controls
- 707.5R1 Internal Controls Procedures
- 708 Care, Maintenance and Disposal of School District Records
- 709.1 Insurance Program
- 709.2 Insurance Report
- 107 Service Animals on District Premises

Motion to approve Consent Agenda #3 as presented was made by Ms. Lindsay, seconded by Ms. Oberlander and carried 5-0. Consent Agenda #2 includes:

- a. Second reading of policies:
 - 704.1 Local - State - Federal - Miscellaneous Revenue
 - 704.2R1 Posi-Issuance Compliance Regulation for Tax-Exempt Obligations
 - 704.3 Investments
 - 704.4 Gifts – Grants – Bequests
 - 705.2 Requisitions and Purchase Orders
 - 705.3 Receiving Good and Services
- b. SIAC Committee Members Approval
- c. Shared Personnel Agreement with Eastern Iowa Community Colleges/Muscatine Community College
- d. FY23 Student Teaching Contract with Upper Iowa University
- e. HR Director Sharing Agreement with Wilton CSD for FY23

Motion to set the time and date of the Public Hearing for the FY23 Budget for April 11, 2022 at 5:30 pm was made by Mr. Bullard, seconded by Ms. Whitlock and carried 5-0.

Mr. Burnett informed the board of the hiring of Denise Paustian, HS Administrative Assistant and Tammie Wink, Elementary Associate.

Mr. Burnett shared that Tom Wuestenberg had contacted the City of Durant regarding the utility poles in the elementary alley and that Mr. Wuestenberg would be asked to attend the next meeting for updates. The track has settled and a fix is being looked into to prevent future heaving and cracking.

Mr. Burnett shared that the Teacher Retention Incentive of \$1,000 was approved by legislatures and will be paid to eligible teachers in March and Supplemental State Aid (SSA) has been set at 2.5% for FY23.

Motion to enter closed session to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session as allowed in Iowa Code 21.5i at was made by Ms. Oberlander, seconded by Ms. Lindsay and carried 5-0.

The board re-entered open session at 6:58 pm and a motion to terminate the employment of Brock Haigh as the Transportation Director was made by Ms. Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Bullard and carried 5-0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2022 immediately following the Public Hearing at 5:30 pm.

Attest: _____
Secretary, Board of Directors