

Minutes of the Delphos City School’s Board of Education Meeting:

May 23, 2022

The Board of Education of the Delphos City School District of Allen and Van Wert Counties of Ohio Met at 6:00PM on Monday in the Delphos City Schools Administration office for the regular Meeting with the roll call revealing the following members present: Jason Grogg, Tina Brinkman, Becca Suever, Tony Wiechart and Jamey Wisher.

The Board and guests stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Wiechart moved and Mr. Wisher seconded that the board approve the following consent agenda items presented by the treasurer.

Approval of minutes of the maintenance and regular Board meetings held April 25, 2022, and Curriculum Committee meeting held May 11, 2022.

The following were all approved for the month of April:

- Payment of invoices
- Fund Balance statement
- Bank Account reconciliations
- Purchase order adjustments over \$3000

VENDER	P.O. #	CHECK AMOUNT	
Allen County ESC	86272	\$54,323.62	Apr
Delphos Country Club	86266	\$3,200.00	
Healthcare billing services	85317	\$4,999.66	
Gordon Foods Service	96845	\$5,777.43	
Delphos Fuel & truck Wash	86107	\$4,191.48	
Dicks Steak House	86072	\$3,123.00	

Additional Pays: Class Coverage – Elizabeth Beaubien \$30.00, Kelsie Gillespie \$60.00, Marie Groch \$60.00, Christina Grothaus \$30.00, Karissa Hoersten \$60.00, Stephanie Ohtola \$30.00, Amber Pohlman \$30.00, Cindy Redmon \$30.00, William Reid \$30.00, Trey Roney \$30.00, Amanda L. Smith \$30.00, Amanda R. Smith \$30.00, Rebekah Stevens \$150.00, Kienna Sturgill \$60.00, Jill Wisher \$30.00, Amanda Wrasman \$60.00, Tutoring – Ruth Brotherhood \$300.00, LPDC – Stephanie Braun \$142.50, Chad Brinkman \$15.00, Michelle Kroeger \$24.90, Megan Ryan \$15.00, Kay Wilhelm \$165.00.
Weichart – Yes Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Suever – Yes Grogg – Yes

Mr. Rostorfer then gave this report for creating his five year forecast. I have worked up the Spring revision of the five year forecast. I now have the forecast itself which I put in year to date numbers plus expected receipts and expenditures for the remaining two months. I also have my monthly cash-flow that I plug in payrolls and monthly expenditure numbers along with tax and state receipts. Finally, thanks to our experience in fiscal caution a year or two ago my advisor Dorothy left me with her version of a monthly monitoring system. I am very confident in the fact that these three tools were all showing a yearend balance for my forecast of right around 2.4 million dollars. That carryover number represents 27.1% or 99 days of operating expenditures. As stated before it is very difficult to see the future with so many moving variables but using the assumptions laid out in my official forecast notes the forecast shows growth through the next 5 years with an ending balance of right at 6 million and giving the board and administration the ability to grow the curriculum, maintain the aging facilities, and support the community that has supported us so well.

Mr. Westrick introduced Mr. Rahrig who spoke about his youth football camp that included 77 kids. The program was planned by 15 varsity players through their careers class project. Mr. Hohlbein then reports the state scores on the math section where grade 3 had 77% pass (state average 59%) and the 4th grade had 91% pass (state average 64%). Several teachers received grants from the Allen County ESC for their class rooms and his students and staff continued to support the community through projects and got to return to some normalcy and get their spring field trips. Mrs. Braun talked about a successful state site review for the preschool program, They held spring parent teacher conferences, yearend program and parent surveys that were very positive. All staff are participating in professional development, and they are working with St. Johns preschool and Tender Times to hold a community awareness program. Mr. Westrick presented a bullying report that had 0 reportable events in all buildings from January to May. Mrs. Suever highlighted the upcoming Strategic planning session on June 8 from 6-8 p.m. Mr. Westrick talked about the Staff recognition breakfast on June 1 and invited the board to stop in. Here are the spotlighted employees:

- a. Staff with 5 years’ experience with DCS
 - i. Liz Elwer
 - ii. Karissa Horesten
 - iii. Erica Krause
 - iv. Maureen Rentz
 - v. Marissa Schimmoeller
 - vi. Michelle Schuerman
- b. Staff with 10 years’ experience with DCS
 - i. Christine Grothaus
- c. Staff with 15 years’ experience with DCS
 - i. Nicole Geise
 - ii. Michelle Kroeger
 - iii. Tammy Wirth
- d. Staff with 25 years’ experience with DCS
 - i. Kim Antalis
 - ii. Stephanie Braun
 - iii. Barb Haggard
- e. Staff with 30 years’ experience with DCS

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- i. Becky Berelsman
- f. Staff retiring from DCS with 30+ years’ experience
 - i. Lisa Roebke 35 yrs
 - ii. Janet Klaus 34 yrs
 - iii. Karen Klauing 33 yrs
 - iv. Chris Wisher 31 yrs
 - v. Bev Tuttle 30 yrs

Mr. Wiechart moved and Mrs. Brinkman seconded that the board approve the following Superintendent consent agenda items

Certified Staff

- a. Certified Resignation/Retirement– 2021-2022 SY
 - Marissa Schimmoeller, HS, ELA, effective June 2, 2022
 - Olivia Kortokrax, HS, ELA, effective the end of the 2021-2022 SY.
 - b. Correction:
 - Beverly Tuttle, resignation for retirement purposes, effective June 30, 2022 instead of July 30, 2022.
 - c. Certified Employment - 2022-2023 SY
 - Morgan Henderson, District Social Worker (including Delphos St. John’s) Step 4, MA+15
 - Joshua Hilgenberg, HS ELA, Step 0, MA
 - Zachary Srnis, HS ELA, Step 0
 - d. Certified Employment 1 year Contract Renewal- 2022-2023 SY
 - Amos Place, HS, Science, Step 25, 150 Semester Hours
 - Ruth Brotherwood, MS, Cross Categorical, Step 11, 150 Semester Hours
 - e.Certified Employment 2 year Contract Renewal- 2022-2023 SY
 - Elizabeth Beaubien, HS Computer, Step 11 MA
 - Melinda Colvin, HS, Cross Categorical, Step 4, MA+15
 - Kelsi Gillespie, MS, Math, Step 1, BA
 - Kelsey Berelsman, Franklin, Kg, Step 1, BA
 - Jenna Collins, PreK, Step 2, BA
 - Taylor Losh, PreK, Step 2, BA
 - Myriah Rode, Speech Pathologist, Step 4, MA
 - f.Certified Employment 3 year Contract Renewal- 2022-2023 SY
 - Kendra Heringhaus, HS, Counselor, Step 4, MA
 - Karissa Hoersten, HS, Career Ed., Step 12, MA
 - Stephanie Ohtola, HS, Social Studies, Step 7, MA
 - William Reid, Step HS, Social Studies, 13, MA
 - Amanda L Smith, HS, Spanish, Step 11, MA
 - Keith Gudakunst, MS, Science, Step 18, MA
 - Chad Laman, MS Math, Step 13, MA
 - Mathew Spencer, MS, Science, Step 9, MA
 - g.Certified Supplemental and Extended Days Employment - It is recommended that the Board approve supplemental contract employment for the 2022 - 2023 school year/season, specifically conditioned on and subject to successful background checks, receipt and final administrative review of all application records and receipt of all other necessary documentation. Employment also is specifically conditioned on and subject to the activity/season occurring, with proration in the event of partial performance as determined by the administration.
 - Senior Class: Amanda Smith, Step 2 and Kristin Gable, Step 2
 - Junior Class: Sharon Kay Wilhelm, Step 2 and Jeff Rex, Step 2
 - Sophomore Class: Rebekah Stevens, Step 2, and Kelsi Gillepsie, Step 1
 - Freshmen Class: Karissa Hoersten, Step 2 and Keianna Sturgill, Step 0
 - NHS: Judy Bevington, Step 2
 - Student Council HS: Stephanie Ohtola, Step 1
 - Student Council MS : Alicia Koester, Step 2
 - Prom: Kay Wilhelm, Step 2
 - Delphi/Yearbook: Elizabeth Beaubien, Step 1
 - Special Education Coordinator: Michelle Kroeger, Step 1
 - Musical Director: Megan Ryan, Step 2
 - Show Choir Director: Tammy Wirth, Step 2
 - VoAg Advisor: Scott Elwer, Step 2
 - Musical Vocal Coach: Tammy Wirth, Step 2
 - Marching Band Director: Cameron Reed, Step 2
 - Musical Stage Band: Cameron Reed, Step 2
 - Pep Band: Cameron Reed, Step 1

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- Spanish Club Advisor Amanda Smith, Step 1
- Computer Director/Maint Jenny McElroy, Step 2
- Head Football Coach,Ben Rahrig, Step 2
- Asst Varsity Football Coach: Trey Roney, Step 2
- Asst Varsity Football Coach: Jeff Stant, Step 2
- Asst Varsity Football Coach: Jon Kroeger, Step 2
- Asst Volleyball Coach, Aubrey Fruchey,, Step 0
- 8th Gr. volleyball, Sharon Kay Wilhelm, Step 2
- Head Cheer Coach, Michelle Kroeger, Step 2
- Head Girls Basketball, Denise Lindeman, Step 2
- Girls Asst Basketball, Larry Bub Lindeman, Step 2
- Boys Basketball, Jordan Jettinghoff, Step 2
- Girls 8th Gr, Kelsey Berelsman, Step 1

2. Non Certified Staff

- a. Non Certified Limited Administrative Employment 2022-2023 SY
Mitchel Clark, District Technology Coordinator, 3 year Contract, effective July 18, 2022.

- b. Non Certified Staff Resignations
Erica Krause, bus driver, effective May 25, 2022.

- c. Non Certified Retire-Rehire - 2022-2023
Janet Klaus, Food Service

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- Musical Business Manager, Melissa Knepper, Step 1
- Volunteer Football Coach, Allan Pohlman
- Volunteer Football Coach, Ryan Goergens
- Volunteer Volleyball Coach, Katie Giller
- Head Volleyball, Kristi Hageman, Step 2
- Head Soccer, James Bayman, Step 1
- Asst Soccer, Rick Dienstberger, Step 2
- Head Boys Golf, Shane Gallmeier, Step 2
- Head JH Football, Rick Suever, Step 2
- Asst JH Football, Neil Brotherwood, Step 2
- Volunteer JH Football, Kevin Lindeman
- Volunteer JH Football, Nathan Howell
- 7th Gr Volleyball, Mallory Bridges, Step 0
- Asst Cheer, Chase Goss, Step 2
- JH Cheer, Kayla Lougie, Step 1
- Girls Athletic Manager, Jeff Caputo, Step 2
- Boys JV Basketball, Mark Jettinghoff, Step 2
- Volunteer Boys Basketball, Nick Fitch
- Volunteer Boys Basketball, Craig Carder
- Head Wrestling, Randy McElroy, Step 2
- Asst/JV Wrestling, Lee Plescher, Step 1
- Volunteer Wrestling, Wyatt Place
- Volunteer Wrestling, Andrew Foust
- 7th Gr Girls Basketball, Doug Geary, Step 1
- 8th Boys Basketball, Jeff Stockwell, Step 2
- 7th Boys Basketball, Todd Grothaus, Step 2
- JH Wrestling, Tom Merschman, Step 0
- JH Volunteer Wrestling, Matt Weichert
- Summer Technology, Collin Schaffner
- Summer Custodian, Jessa Rostorfer, MS
- Summer Custodian, Kyrsten Moore, MS
- Summer Custodian, Matt Weitzel, HS
- Summer Custodian, Tyler Wilkins, HS
- Summer Custodian, Madison Burris, FR
- Summer Custodian, Cole Hoersten, FR

Wiechart – Yes Brinkman– Yes Suever – Yes Wisner – Yes Grogg – Yes

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Mrs. Brinkman moved and Mr. Wisher seconded that the board approve the meeting dates for the 2022-23 LPDC Committee.
September 6, 2022, October 18, 2022, February 7, 2023, and May 2, 2023

Brinkman– Yes Wisher – Yes Suever – Yes Wiechart – Yes Grogg – Yes

Mrs. Suever moved and Mr. Wisher seconded that the board approve the spring update of the district five year forecast as presented by the treasurer.

Suever – Yes Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Wiechart – Yes Grogg – Yes

Mr. Wisher moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-5 to purchase 2 new school busses through the SWEPC.

WHEREAS, the Delphos City Schools Board of Education wishes to advertise and receive bids for the purchase of 2 more school buses.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Delphos City Schools Board of Education wishes to participate and authorize the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council to advertise and receive bids on said Boards’ behalf as per the specifications submitted for the cooperative purchase of two school buses.

Mrs. Suever seconded the motion, with the following vote:

Wisher – Yes Suever – Yes Brinkman– Yes Wiechart – Yes Grogg – Yes

Mr. Wiechart moved and Mrs. Brinkman seconded that the board approve the 2023 Budget for the Delphos Public Library.

Wiechart – Yes Brinkman– Yes Suever – Yes Wisher – Yes Grogg – Yes

Mrs. Brinkman moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-6 to contract with the Local Government Services of the State Auditor’s office to perform the services necessary related to prepare the annual Statements on Standards for accounting and Review Services. (Formerly GAAP).

Mrs. Suever seconded the motion and the vote followed:

Brinkman– Yes Suever – Yes Wisher – Yes Wiechart – Yes Grogg – Yes

Mr. Wiechart moved and Mrs. Suever seconded that the board approve the Preschool Handbook for the 2022-23 school year as presented.

Wiechart – Yes Suever – Yes Brinkman– Yes Wisher – Yes Grogg – Yes

In Wildcat “paws”itives Mrs. Suever thanked again the “Hopster” group of service volunteers for all the help they have provided the parents club throughout the year, and gave a shout out to Lyndsay Lane for he efforts in the parents club. Mr. Brinkman wished luck to all the Track runners heading to regionals this week and congratulated Ms. Wirth and the show choir for the performance that prompted one of the most complimentary phone calls we have ever received from the folks at Vancrest. Mrs. Brinkman congratulated the students and staff for the successful results on the state testing. Finally, Mr. Grogg congratulated all the seniors who were recognized Saturday morning at graduation.

This month the board president, Superintendent and/or Treasurer had been contacted by several members of the public asking to address the board.

Lynn Bockey shared with the board her family’s experiences dealing with dyslexia, and urged the board to take the new legislation serious as nearly 1 in 5 children are now diagnosed with some level of dyslexia.

Kristin Gable shared with the board that she has a vision of strong schools in Delphos and chooses to stay because she loves teaching at Delphos City Schools despite a very difficult times at the high school with the staff being split by the resent court proceedings.

Andy North shared support for the three individual staff members who had the charges against them dismissed, he was on the board when the charges were brought and he hoped the board continued to have policies in place to support our staff.

Karen Grothouse spoke about a very positive career fair and many other things that make both of our local schools so great for our community, and encouraged the board to support the good staff so they continue to cast a positive light on our community.

Krista Schrader spoke of the false accusations against the three employees and how her daughter was pulled into it and feared any retribution up until last week when she graduated.

Kendall Schrader talked about how some of her favorite memories in school revolved around her time in the MH classroom working with Mrs. Hoersten and her students. But also how she was approached by other students about things their teachers had told them was happening in that classroom that simply were not true.

Mr. Wisher moved and Mr. Weichart seconded that the board of education go into executive session at 7:50 PM pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G) to consider matters to be kept confidential by law or regulations of state statutes; specifically to hear an expulsion appeal.

Wisher – Yes Wiechart – Yes Suever – Yes Brinkman– Yes Grogg – Yes

The board returned from executive session at 8:27 p.m.

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Mrs. Suever moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-7 to affirm the expulsion of a student.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education held an appeal hearing on May 23, 2022 at the request of the Parent of a Student who was expelled from 4/25/22 until 11/16/22 by letter of the Superintendent.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has had an opportunity to review and consider the testimony given under oath at that hearing, documents introduced as exhibits, and testimony and exhibits submitted by the Parent of the expelled student:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Delphos City School District Board of Education that the findings and conclusions attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference are determined and approved.

BE IT FRTHER RESOLVED that the expulsion of the Student in question from 4/25/22 until 11/16/22 by letter from the Superintendent is affirmed, to begin and end on the dates set forth in the letter and this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer shall provide written notice to the Parent and Student of the Board of Education’s adoption of this Resolution with the attached findings and conclusions by regular and certified mail, return receipt requested.

Mr. Wiechart seconded the motion with a resulting vote as follows:

Suever – Yes Wiechart – Yes Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Grogg – Yes

Mr. Wiechart moved and Mr. Wisher seconded that the board go into executive session to discuss the employment of a staff member and employee discipline at 8:30 pm.

The board returned from executive session at 10:20 pm.

At 10:21 p.m.

Mr. Wisher moved and Mrs. Brinkman seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Suever – Yes Wiechart – Yes Grogg – Yes

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PRESIDENT