

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

November 27, 2023

The Board of Education of the Delphos City School District of Allen and Van Wert Counties of Ohio Met at 7:00PM on Monday in the Delphos City Schools Administration office for the regular Meeting with the roll call revealing the following members present: Tina Brinkman, Jason Grogg, Becca Suever, Perry Wiltsie and Jamey Wisher.

The Board and guests stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Grogg moved and Mr. Wisher seconded that the board approve the following consent agenda items presented by the treasurer.
Approval of minutes of the regular Board meetings held October 23, 2023 and the special meeting held November 8, 2023.

The following were all approved for the month of October:

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

VENDER	P.O. #	CHECK AMOUNT
IT Saavy	88642	\$4,661.24 October
Additional Pays: Class Coverage Whitney Harper \$60.00, Jordan Jettinghoff \$60.00, Cindy Redmon \$30.00, Quiz Bowl Kelsey Berelsman \$138.06, Ticket Takers – Kelsey Berelsman \$80.00, Aubrey Fruchey \$80.00, Kristin Gable \$100.00, Brenda Gallmeier \$60.00, Kelsi Gillespie \$20.00, Kathy Rostorfer \$130.00, Kent Smelser \$50.00, Kay Wilhelm \$50.00, Speech Lisa Roebke \$467.79		

Additional Appropriations:		
Equipment Buildings High School	001-2740-640-009	\$600,000.00
CDS Facilities	007-9010	\$ 20,000.00
Eagles Fund	007-9090	\$ 20,000.00
Bus Purchase Fund	499-9921	\$ 90,000.00
Title IV	584-9023	\$ 567.86

Grogg – Yes Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Wiltsie – Yes Suever – Yes

Mr. Wiltsie moved and Mrs. Brinkman seconded that the board approve the 2024 temporary appropriations for the Delphos Public Library.

Wiltsie – Yes Brinkman– Yes Grogg – Yes Wisher – Yes Suever – Yes

Mr. Rostorfer reminded everyone that the board would be approving two seats on the Delphos Public Library Board of Trustees at the December meeting, including his own which is historically a seat held by a representative of the school.

Mr. Hobbs introduced Mr. Brinkman who gave a quick update on the high school including potential new grants for STEM and Careers. He then introduced the senior student council students, Lauren French, Liv Lindeman, Maddie Teman, Brady Duval and Avery Rahrig, who talked about their public service activities leading up to the holidays. Mr. Langhals gave an update on the middle school and then introduced Mr. and Mrs. Spencer who shared the latest exciting news from the junior high and high school STEM programs.

In Committee reports Mrs. Brinkman thanked Mr. Rostorfer for working through some questions on recent expenditures (Finance), and Mr. Wisher said they have begun gathering a list of projects for the upcoming spring and summer (Maintenance).

Mr. Wisher moved and Mrs. Brinkman seconded that the board approve hiring Adelaida Guerra as a part time ESL aide, pending proper certification.

Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Grogg – Yes Wiltsie – Yes Suever – Yes

Mr. Grogg moved and Mr. Wiltsie seconded that board issue a three-year contract to Jeff Hobbs to serve as Superintendent of the Delphos City School district.

Grogg – Yes Wiltsie – Yes Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Suever – Yes

Mr. Wiltsie moved and Mr. Wisher seconded that the board approve the superintendent consent agenda containing the following:

- Certified employment
 - Amber Pohlman adjusted to the Master’s column

- Non-Certified:
 - Supplemental Resignations:
 - Aubrey Fruchey – Haed Boys Track
 - Jeff Stockwell – Junior High Boys basketball
 - Jamey Lewis – Reserve Girls Basketball Coach
 - Kristi Hageman – Varsity Volleyball

- Substitute Teacher:
 - Heather Schnipke

Wisher – Yes Wiltsie – Yes Brinkman– Yes Grogg – Yes Suever – Yes

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Mr. Wisher moved and Mrs. Brinkman seconded that the board approve the contract with Ben’s Construction Inc. of Lima to tear down the Sara Jane building per the specs of the bid package for \$62,500.

Wisher – Yes Brinkman– Yes Grogg – Yes Wiltsie – Yes Suever – Yes

Mr. Wiltsie moved for the adoption of Resolution 2023-8 for the necessity of the 5.5 mill operating renewal levy:

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the School District is currently levying a 5.50 mill, five-year levy for the purpose of current expenses (the “Existing Levy”), which Existing Levy was approved by the voters of the School District on May 7, 2019, and first placed on the tax list and duplicate in 2019 for collection in years 2020 through 2024; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity of levying a renewal tax levy outside the ten-mill limitation must be passed and certified to the County Auditor of Allen County (the “County Auditor”) in order to permit the Board to consider the levy of such a renewal tax levy and must request that the County Auditor certify to the Board the total current tax valuation of the School District, the estimated property tax revenue, rounded to the nearest \$1,000, that will be produced by such renewal tax based on such total taxable value, and the amount of the renewal tax (based on the renewal tax’s “estimated effective rate” (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01(Q)), as required by Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03(B)(2)(c)(i) expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest \$1, for each \$100,000 of the “county auditor’s appraised value” (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01 (P));

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the board of Education of the Delphos City School District, Allen County, Ohio, two thirds of all Board members concurring, that;

Section 1. It is necessary to renew all of the Existing Levy, which is a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, for the purpose of current expenses.

Section 2. As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.21, the question of such renewal tax levy (the “Renewal Levy”) shall be submitted to all of the electors of the School District at the election to be held on March 19, 2024. All of the territory of the School District is located in Allen and Van Wert Counties, Ohio.

Section 3. The Renewal Levy shall be at a rate not exceeding 5.50 mills for each one dollar of valuation, upon the entire territory of the School District, for a period of five years.

Section 4. The Renewal Levy shall include a levy on the tax list and duplicate for the 2024 tax year (commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025), if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 5. The Treasurer of this Board is directed to promptly certify a copy of this resolution to the County Auditor of Allen County, Ohio with instructions to certify to this Board the total current tax valuation of the School District, the estimated property tax revenue, rounded to the nearest \$1,000, that will be produced by the Renewal Levy based on such total taxable value, and the amount of the Renewal Levy (based on its estimated effective rate) expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest \$1, for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Mr. Wisher seconded the motion and after discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the results were:

Ayes: Wiltsie, Wisher, Grogg, Brinkman, Suever

Nays:

The resolution passed

Mr. Wiltsie moved for the adoption of Resolution 2023-9 for the necessity of the 2.25 mill operating renewal levy:

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the School District is currently levying a 2.25 mill, five-year levy for the purpose of current expenses (the “Existing Levy”), which Existing Levy was approved by the voters of the School District on May 7, 2019, and first placed on the tax list and duplicate in 2019 for collection in years 2020 through 2024; and

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- Nays:
- The resolution passed

Mrs. Brinkman moved and Mr. Wisher seconded that the board accept the following donations with great gratitude:

Various Anonymous	\$50 to NHS (leaf raking)
McDonalds	\$250 Education Day Fundraiser to Athletics
Allen County Retired Teachers Association	\$250 Art Supplies
Optimist Club of Delphos	\$300 to Bowling team
Curtis Schwinnen Memorial	\$5,000 to Locker room projects
DJ Athletic Boosters	\$10,000 matching funds to the locker room project
Brinkman– Yes	Wisher – Yes
Grogg – Yes	Wiltsie – Yes
Suever – Yes	

In Wildcat “paws”itives Mr. Hobbs complimented Whitney Harper and Tammy Wirth for their respective presentations honoring veterans day.

In other business Mr. Grogg asked about the January organizational meeting, and after some discussion they settled on January 3 2024 at 6:00PM with Mrs. Brinkman presiding as President Pro-tempore

At 7:46 PM Mrs. Brinkman moved and Mrs. Suever seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

- Brinkman– Yes
- Suever – Yes
- Grogg – Yes
- Wiltsie – Yes
- Wisher – Yes

CLERK

PRESIDENT

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