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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, May 6, 2024
6:00 p.m.
Davison High School Auditorium

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Conover
Holly Halabicky
Alicia Hensley
Kurtis McMahan
Diane Rhines
Matthew Smith
Granger Stefanko

ADMINISTRATION: Matt Lobban, Superintendent
Amy Chorley, Executive Director of Student Services
Angie Hards, Director of Curriculum
Josh Evans, Director of Business Services
Michelle Edwards, Director of Public Information
Christine Kuzinski, Director of HR and Operations
Dana Melaragni, Director of Special Education
Jennifer Burke, Hill Elementary Principal
Keri Collins, Hahn Intermediate Assistant Principal
Andrew Criswell, Thomson Elementary Principal
TJ Fischhauber, Alternative Education Principal
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal
Jerry Piger, High School Principal
Amy Renye, Hahn Intermediate Dean of Students
Melissa Williams, Central Elementary Principal
Natalie Miller, Gates Elementary Principal
Josie Paquette, Middle School Principal

STAFF: Kellie Alvarado, Mariah Bailey, Jenny Balabon, Alicia Bautista, Megan Campbell, Andrea Derricks, Sarah Driskill, Kelly Fritz, Becky Helms, Tiffany Hopper, Mary Ignatowski, Melissa Jones, Kristen Kneff, Melvina Lightfoot, Ashley Romine, Ann Seeley, Kevin Roberts, Amanda Tanner, Daniyle Weir, Kristine White, Emily Williams

OTHER GUESTS: Corrie Arthur, Matt Arthur, Bob Beckelic, Joi Bennett, Jennifer Courtland, Todd Courtland, Sasha Evans, Deanna Martin, Cassie and Waylon Emerick, Erika Glasco, Josh Gray, Amanda Hagen, Chad Hampton, Carrie Headrick, Brandon Inman, Michelle Inman, Elana Matesio, Bridjet and Roger Mausolf, Shannon McKee, Dave Nothstine, Jesse Reader, Tammy Reader, Zoe Rhines, Phillip Romine, Keith Springer, Ben Vick, Dave Weir, Jamie Wheeler

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ORDER OF BUSINESS:

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Davison Board of Education was called to order by President Holly Halabicky at 6:00 p.m. in the Davison High School Auditorium.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Thomson Elementary Principal Andrew Criswell and the April Student of the Month winners from Kindergarten, Developmental Kindergarten and ECDD Preschool. One student was chosen from each class on their ability to follow the Cardinal Code consistently on a daily basis. Each student of the month receives a certificate, medal, and their photo on display in the Thomson hallway. Congratulations to these outstanding young learners.

ROLL CALL: Robin Ricica read the roll. Members present: Karen Conover, Holly Halabicky, Alicia Hensley, Kurtis McMahan, Diane Rhines, Matthew Smith and Granger Stefanko.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Karen Conover, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Matthew Smith, to approve the consent agenda which included items 1-4 below:

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the regular and closed session meeting minutes for the previous meeting of April 8, 2024. Approval of the minutes for committee meetings held since the April 8, 2024 Board meeting.

2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills through April 30, 2024:

   AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, School Lunch Fund, and Student Activity Fund $ 2,733,167.09

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Approval of the Treasurer's Report through April 30, 2024.

4. **Monthly Personnel Report:** Approval of personnel activity for the period through April 30, 2024.

The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Presentations

a. **Kids First Award Recognition:** Hahn Intermediate Premier Sub Andrea Derricks was honored as our May "Kids First Employee of the Month."

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This employee recognition initiative has been developed to recognize employees for going above and beyond the call of duty to meet the needs of the children they serve. The program is sponsored by Mark Owen of MEEMIC Insurance in Davison.

b. **Cardinal Spirit Award Recognition**: We are very fortunate to have many dedicated individuals from our community who are passionate and loyal in their support and service to the students and staff at Davison Community Schools. To acknowledge these fine citizens, we have established the Cardinal Spirit Award. Individuals can be nominated by any DCS staff member. This month, we were pleased to recognize Jennifer Courtland and Corrie Arthur from the Kid's Hope mentorship program.

c. **Recognition of National Junior Honor Society Outstanding Achievement Award:** Davison Middle School student Bronwyn Alvarado has been selected as a National Award winner for the National Junior Honor Society Outstanding Achievement Award. This is the second year in a row a Davison Middle School student has won this award. NJHS and DMS Teacher Shawnna Shorkey said three Davison Middle Schools students applied for the scholarship his year. Recipients are chosen based on their demonstrated work to support the five pillars of NJHS: scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. Bronwyn will receive $500 toward a college savings account to use toward higher education.

From the Public: Visitors were welcomed and invited to address the Board.

Deanna Martin introduced herself. Bob Beckelic complimented the district for the outstanding volunteer dinner and high school musical.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence to be read.

ACTION ITEMS:

AUTHORIZATION OF SUMMER MARCHING BAND CAMP: Caleb Goncz, Director of the Instrumental Music Department at Davison High School, has arranged for the annual high school summer marching band camp contingent upon Board approval. This year's camp is scheduled for July 28–August 2, 2024. The location will be Camp Echo Grove in Leonard, Michigan. Details about the proposed trip were provided. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Matthew Smith, to approve summer marching band camp. Motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF DHS HOSA STUDENT TRIP: One student from the DHS Future Health Professionals Group plans to attend the International Leadership HOSA Competition in Houston, Texas, from June 26-29, 2024. Information provided by Health Science Teacher Laurie Heath was previously provided. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve the DHS HOSA trip. Motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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APPROVAL OF DTV STUDENT TRIP: Davison High School Teacher Randy Scott requested the Board's approval for five DTV students to go to Drummond Island May 17-19, 2024 to continue news coverage of the Great Lakes. Details of the proposed trip were previously provided to Board members. Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Kurits McMahan, to approve DTV's trip to Drummond Island. Motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

GISD BUDGET APPROVAL: MCL 380.624 requires local school boards to review and either support or disapprove of the annual intermediate school district's proposed budget. Board Representative and Treasurer Diane Rhines attended the annual GISD budget hearing on April 24, and Mr. Lobban has taken part in meetings where the proposed 2024/2025 GISD budgets were reviewed by Genesee County superintendents. Pertinent information about the proposed budgets, along with a resolution supporting the 2024/2025 GISD budgets, were attached for review. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve the 2024/2025 GISD proposed budget. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF THE MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DAVISON BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE DAVISON EDUCATION SECRETARIAL ASSOCIATION (DESA): The Davison Education Secretarial Association recently ratified a new two-year agreement (2024/2025 and 2025/2026). A summary of the new agreement was provided to the Board. It was ratified by the DESA membership on April 30, 2024. Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Matthew Smith, to approve the two-year agreement with the Davison Education Secretarial Association. Motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

POLICY UPDATES FOR THE FIRST READING: The Board Policy & Planning Committee recommended approval of the following policies for the first reading:

5111 Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students
2221 Mandatory Courses/Graduation Requirements
5460 Graduation Requirements
9130 Public Complaints
1240 Evaluation of the Superintendent
2418 Sex Education
3220 Professional Staff Evaluation
6320 Purchasing
6321 New School Construction, Renovation
6325 Procurement - Federal Grants/Funds
6350 Prevailing Wage
6520 Payroll Deductions
8390 Animals on District Property
8800 Religious/Patriotic Ceremonies and Observances

There was discussion and questions were answered. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve the first reading of the recommended policies. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS: Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Diane Rhines, to gratefully accept the following contributions and to direct the superintendent to express the Board's gratitude in writing:

- White Tails Unlimited donated $2,831.98 to the Davison High School "Busters" Skeet Club to help with expenses and equipment.
- Mid State Bolt & Screw donated $1,000 to the Davison High School "Busters" Skeet Club to help purchase equipment.
- First Baptist Church donated a variety of school supplies to Thomson Elementary teachers to help support student needs.
- Mark Owen MEEMIC Insurance Agency in Davison donated three $100 Visa gift cards sponsoring the Kids First Award program.

The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

From our Superintendent:

There is always a lot happening in spring. We have only two full weeks of school left; the rest are four-day weeks. Director of Public Information Michelle Edwards has highlighted these events in her Chirp Sheet. This week is Staff Appreciation Week. Superintendent Lobban thanked the very dedicated staff and expressed his gratefulness to all of them.

Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board (From Board members):

Trustee Smith echoed Superintendent Lobban's comments. He received his level three award from MASB and thanked Teacher Andy Michalik for inviting him to see the recent car donation.

Future Meeting Dates:

Monday, May 20, 2024
Superintendent's Evaluation
Cardinal Center Boardroom
1490 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

Monday, June 3, 2024
Regular Board Meeting
Davison High School Auditorium
1250 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

CLOSED SESSION: Moved by Karen Conover, seconded by Granger Stefanko, to convene into closed session at 6:41 p.m. to discuss the consideration of a student reinstatement request which is allowed under Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act. A roll call vote was taken. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. No action was taken during closed session.

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REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Matthew Smith, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 7:21 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

STUDENT REINSTATEMENT REQUEST: (Regarding student matter heard): Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Karen Conover, that the student brought before the Board tonight not be reinstated to the Davison Community Schools. A roll call vote was taken. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

CLOSED SESSION: Moved by Granger Stefanko, seconded by Matthew Smith, to convene into closed session at 7:23 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining pursuant to Section 8 (c) of Michigan's Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268. A roll call vote was taken. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. No action was taken during closed session.

REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Alicia Hensley, supported by Karen Conover, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 7:55 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Matthew Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

Alicia Hensley, Secretary
Davison Board of Education