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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, February 5, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Davison High School Auditorium

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Karen Conover
Holly Halabicky
Alicia Hensley
Kurtis McMahan
Diane Rhines
Granger Stefanko

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Matthew Smith

ADMINISTRATION:

Matt Lobban, Superintendent
Amy Chorley, Executive Director of Student Services
Michelle Edwards, Director of Public Information
Josh Evans, Director of Business Services
Angie Hards, Director of Curriculum
Christine Kuzinski, Director of HR and Operations
David Beamer, Athletic Director
Jennifer Burke, Hill Elementary Principal
Keri Collins, Hahn Intermediate Assistant Principal
Andrew Criswell, Thomson Elementary Principal
Cayla Dowdall, Middle School Assistant Principal
Andrea Ferguson, High School Assistant Principal
TJ Fischhaber, DAE Principal
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal
Jerry Piger, High School Principal
Josie Paquette, Middle School Principal
Amy Renye, Hahn Dean of Students
Melissa Williams, Central Elementary Principal

STAFF:

B. Allisoyn Johnson, Jenny Balabon, Jan Crawford, Matt Dipzinski, Chris Friske, Ruth Friske, Katie Gist, Mackenzie Hodack, Sara Howes, Mary Ignatowski, Lauren Jones, Melissa Jones, Kristen Kneff, Amanda Mobley, Brooke Piger, Kevin Roberts, Anthony Schaaf, Raven Springsteen, Rachel Wheaton

OTHER GUESTS:

Jeremy Balabon, Janell and Joe Baumgart, Alicia Bautista, Clay Colwell, Bridget Dipzinski, David, Michelle and Tori Dresbach, Heather Giguere, Jessica, Rocky and Nancy Gilbert, Angie and David Histed, Travis Howell, Jamie and Shawn Kingsland, John Lyle, Dan and Tiffany Maples, Barb Miller, Mark Minor, Mindi and Tori Odom, Ranee Pearson, Alicia Ratliff, Bridget Smith, Courtney Uhrig, Dave and Jennie Welliver, John Whitman, Raechel Whitman

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Hill Elementary's Student Council along with Principal Mrs. Burke and their sponsor Mrs. DuPrey. Student council is made up of members in kindergarten through fourth grade.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Karen Conover, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve the consent agenda which includes items 1 to 4 below:

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the regular minutes and closed session minutes for the previous meeting of January 8, 2024. Approval of the minutes distributed for committee meetings held since the January 8, 2024 Board meeting.
2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills through January 31:
AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, Food Service Fund, and Student Activity Fund \$1,950,909.80
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Approval of the Treasurer's Report through January 31.
4. **Monthly Personnel Report:** Approval of personnel activity for the period through January 31, 2024.

The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Presentations:

- **Kids First Award Recognition:** Davison High School Success Coordinator Matt Dipzinski was honored as our February "Kids First Employee of the Month." 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.
- **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. This month we recognized John Lyle.

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- **Recognition of Coach Doug Towler:** Coach Doug Towler was recognized by the Board for his 630th win! Doug is the Michigan High School Hockey Coach with the most career wins state-wide. This is a new state record.
- **Recognition of MSBOA All-State Student Musician:** Senior Quinlan Bollwitt was accepted as a student musician in the MSBOA All-State Orchestra for the second year in a row. Quinlan, who plays bassoon, performed in Grand Rapids with the State Honors Orchestra in January. Quin was honored and recognized for his MSBOA All-State status.

From the Public: Visitors were welcomed and invited to address the Board. No visitors signed up to address the Board.

Correspondence:

- Mr. Bob Beckelic sent a letter recognizing the hard work done by our kitchen and lunchroom staff, monitors and maintenance department who continually put kids first and strive for excellence.

ACTION ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF MARKETING/DECA OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP: Thirty-six (36) high school students from the Marketing/DECA Club qualified to attend the State DECA Career Development Conference to be held March 14-16, 2024. The conference will be held at Huntington Place in Detroit, Michigan. Information was provided by Marketing Instructor and DECA Advisor Matt Ames. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve this trip. Motion passed with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

MASB BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S ELECTION: Information was provided to Board members regarding election procedures for the 2024 MASB Board of Directors election from the Michigan Association of School Boards and candidate information for the MASB Region 5 vacancy. This year one Region 5 seat with a three-year term is open. The voted electronic ballot must be submitted and confirmed no later than 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6, 2024. It was recommended the Board select one candidate and direct Robin Ricca to cast the electronic ballot for MASB Region 5 and Group V Board of Directors on behalf of the Davison Board of Education. There was discussion and questions were answered. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Granger Stefanko, to vote for incumbent Janice Holz. The motion passed with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

SECTION 105 SCHOOLS OF CHOICE RESOLUTION: Section 105 of the State School Aid Act of 1979 as amended by Public Act 62 of 2011 permits school districts to accept Schools of Choice enrollment applications from non-residents in Genesee County. Attached is a resolution that provides the Board's support to participate in Section 105 Schools of Choice for the 2024/2025 school year. There was discussion and questions were answered. Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Diane Rhines, to approve the resolution to participate in the Section 105 Schools of Choice program for the 2024/2025 school year. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

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SECTION 105C SCHOOLS OF CHOICE RESOLUTION: Section 105c of the State School Aid Act of 1979 as amended by Public Act 62 of 2011 permits school districts to accept Schools of Choice enrollment applications from residents of contiguous intermediate school districts. Districts may participate in both Section 105 Schools of Choice and Section 105c Schools of Choice. A resolution that provides the Board's support to participate in Section 105c Schools of Choice for the 2024/2025 school year is attached. There was discussion and questions were answered. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve the resolution to participate in the Section 105c Schools of Choice program for the 2024/2025 school year. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF POLICIES FOR THE SECOND READING AND ACCEPTANCE: The Board Policy and Planning Committee met to review, revise and create policies for the following sections (distributed previously for your review). The first reading was approved at the January 8, 2024 meeting.

- 0122 Board Powers
- 1420 School Administrator Evaluation
- 3120 Employment of Professional Staff
- 3130 Assignment and Transfer
- 3131 Staff Reductions/Recalls
- 3132 Vacancies
- 3139 Staff Discipline
- 3140 Termination and Resignation
- 3142 Probationary Teachers
- 3220 Professional Staff Evaluation

Moved by Granger Stefanko, seconded by Kurtis McMahan, to approve the second reading and approve the adoption of these policies. Motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

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

- First Baptist Church donated \$200 from their Christmas auction and Christian Heirs Sunday School members to the Shop with a Hero Program.
- Stacey and Tony Curnow donated 20 pairs of winter boots to Gates Elementary to be distributed to students as needed.
- Richard and Sandy Kaiser donated \$500 to the Davison High School Clothes Closet to purchase items for students in need of winter clothing.

The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

From the Superintendent

Our second semester has begun and we're off to a good start. Winter sports are in full swing and February Intersession is just two weeks away.

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

- There were no comments from members of the Board of Education.

Future Meeting Date:

Monday, March 4, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Davison High School Auditorium

1250 N. Oak Road

Davison, Michigan

CLOSED SESSION #1 REGARDING A STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER: Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Karen Conover, to convene into closed session at 6:28 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a student disciplinary matter. The student's parent requested the matter be heard in closed session, which is allowed under Section 8[b] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act. The motion carried with a roll call vote of 6-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 7:29 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

STUDENT HEARING (Regarding student disciplinary matter heard): Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Karen Conover, that the student brought before the Board tonight be allowed to return to school on February 12, 2024 with a reentry plan and a behavior contract. A roll call vote was taken. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

CLOSED SESSION #2 TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING: Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Kurtis McMahan, to convene into closed session at 7:42 p.m. for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining pursuant to Section 8(c) of Michigan's Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268. The motion carried with a roll call vote of 6-yes, 0-no. No action was taken during closed session.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Alicia Hensley, supported by Karen Conover, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:20 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Holly Halabicky, supported by Karen Conover, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:


Alicia Hensley, Secretary
Davison Board of Education