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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, October 2, 2023
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 of Schools
Christine Kuzinski, Director of Human Resources & Operations
Amy Chorley, Executive Director of Student Services
Michelle Edwards, Director of Public Information
Josh Evans, Director of Business Services
Angie Hards, Director of Curriculum
Dana Melaragni, Director of Special Education
Melanie Berry, Early Childhood Director
Jennifer Burke, Hill Elementary Principal
Andrew Criswell, Thomson Elementary Principal
Cayla Dowdell, Middle School Assistant Principal
TJ Fischhaber, Alternative Education Principal
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal
Natalie Miller, Gates Elementary Principal
Josie Paquette, Middle School Principal
Jerry Piger, High School Principal
Amy Renye, Hahn Dean of Students
Melissa Williams, Central Elementary Principal

STAFF: Eric Chorley, Julie Crockett, Dena Downey, Shelli Hester-Hyde, Sara Howes, Karla Ruzicka

OTHER GUESTS: Joe Coughlin, Norm Fischer, Oddie Fischer, Alex Franz, Don Garrison, Alex Genshaw, Erika Glasco, Chris Hall, Kathleen Hall, Steve Hester, Marc LeGrow, Christina LeGrow, Eileen Minier, Pangcha Montague, Stacy Smeaton, Samantha Swan, Ben Vick, Mindy Wells

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

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

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Siple Elementary Principal Christy Flowers and fourth grade students who help out younger students during parent pick-up and shuttle bus transfers. All of these students are especially kind and responsible and were highlighted at the Board meeting.

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 Granger Stefanko, supported by Holly Halabicky, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the regular and closed session minutes from the previous regular meeting of September 11, 2023. Approval of the minutes for committee meetings held since the September 11, 2023 board meeting.

2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills through September 22:

   AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, Food Service Fund, and Student Activity Fund: $1,770,894.00

3. **Treasurer's Report:** Approval of the Treasurer's Report through September 22, 2023

4. **Monthly Personnel Reports:** Approval of personnel activity for the period of through September 21, 2023.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Presentations:

KIDS FIRST AWARD RECOGNITION: Thomson Elementary Teacher Karla Ruzicka was honored as our October "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 being sponsored by Mark Owen of MEEMIC Insurance in Davison.

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RECOGNITION OF HOSA STUDENT: Davison High School Health Sciences student Sydney Hall was recognized for placing in the top 10 in the category of Veterinary Science at the International HOSA - Future Health Professionals International competition, held June 21-24 in Dallas, Texas. We did not want to miss the opportunity to formally recognize Sydney who just started her senior year at the high school.

RECOGNITION OF LIFESAVING ACTION: Special Education Teacher at Hahn Intermediate Shelli Hester-Hyde was recognized for quickly performing the Heimlich Maneuver on a student who was choking. It took repeated attempts to dislodge the piece of candy, but Shelli was eventually successful. Shelli Hester-Hyde was thanked for her lifesaving and heroic actions.

STUDENT ASSESSMENT RESULTS AND GRADUATION RATES: Director of Curriculum Dr. Angela Hards and Assessment Coordinator Eric Chorley presented the results of the 2022/2023 M-STEP, PSAT and SAT testing along with an update on graduation rates.

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

Bob Beckelic stated that the statistics reported tonight were great, but building our community is even better. You can look at all the statistics in the world, but there are real people behind these numbers. The kids are having fun again enjoying everything from homecoming, football, cheer and so many other great programs. He thanked everyone from the maintenance department to the superintendent for always putting "Kids First" in Davison.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence to be read.

ACTION ITEMS:

RECOGNITION OF PRINCIPALS: October is National Principal's Month. Davison Community Schools is extremely fortunate to have such a great group of principals, assistant principals, and dean of students leading our schools. Board members were asked to recognize October as National Principal's Month in Davison. Moved by Holly Halabicky, supported by Matthew Smith, to acknowledge these staff members and recognize October as National Principal's Month in Davison. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF 8TH GRADE WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP: Middle School Teacher Janet Green requested the Board's authorization to plan a field trip May 23-26, 2024 to Washington D.C. for any interested eighth grade student. Details about the proposed trip were previously distributed to the Board. Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve the 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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APPROVAL OF THE HAIL DAMAGE ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECTS: Bids were received for the replacement of 39 outbuilding roofs, bundled into six (6) projects across the District. A recommendation memorandum from Director of Operations Christine Kuzinski included a bid tabulation and communication from SetSeg Insurance approving the project. The Buildings, Grounds and Transportation Committee met on September 29 and reviewed the bids and recommendations. The committee supported awarding the bids as recommended. Motion by Matthew Smith, supported by Granger Stefanko, to recommend approval of the bids from the contractors below for the amounts identified to be paid with funds from the hail damage insurance claim.

SmartComm, LLC for Projects #1, #2, #4, #5: $117,699.88
DiMar Contracting, Inc.for Projects #3, #6: $65,805.00

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

APPROVAL OF CONTINUED ROOFTOP UNITS AND DUCTWORK REMOVAL AND REINSTALLATION DUE TO HAIL DAMAGE: In order to continue emergency roof repairs due to the July 20, 2023 hail storm, additional rooftop units and ductwork were identified that need to be removed, replaced and/or lifted and reinstalled. Quotes from the district-preferred vendor, Goyette Mechanical, were received for additional damage to rooftop units and ductwork at Davison Middle School, Hill Elementary and Siple Elementary. A recommendation memorandum from Director of Operations Christine Kuzinski included a communication from SetSeg Insurance approving the project. The Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation Committee met on September 29 and reviewed the quotes and recommendations.
The committee supports awarding the bids as recommended. Motion by Matthew Smith, supported by Holly Halabicky, to approve the projects by Goyette Mechanical in the amount of $169,393.00. This will be paid for with funds from the hail damage insurance claim. Motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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

- Danielle Hawley from Susan's Hallmark in Davison donated classroom supplies to Hill Elementary to be used by both staff and students.
- Aaron Wilson donated a set of men's golf clubs and golf bag to the Davison Community Schools boys' golf program to help out a student during the season.
- McKee Chiropractic Unlimited donated $1,000 to the girls' varsity swim team to help with the cost of team jackets.

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

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From the Superintendent:

Superintendent Lobban echoed Mr. Beckelic's comments regarding the fantastic turnout at Homecoming and how phenomenal it is to see the positivity in our community. He thanked DTV for their hard work and commitment to the district.

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for October 18-19 and our first Intersession begins on October 30.

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

Trustee Smith gave a shout-out to DTV and Charter 191 for getting the football game out to the public and stated he is honored to serve on the Board.

Future Meeting Dates:

Monday, November 6, 2023
Davison High School Auditorium
6:00 pm
1250 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Granger Stefanko, to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 p.m. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

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Alicia Hensley, Secretary
Davison Board of Education