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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, May 15, 2023
6:00 p.m.
Davison High School Auditorium

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Conover
Holly Halabicky
Alicia Hensley
Kurtis McMahan
Matthew Smith
Granger Stefanko
Diane Rhines (joined the Board after appointment)

ADMINISTRATION: Kevin Brown, Superintendent
Matt Lobban, Assistant Superintendent
Amy Chorley, Director of Student Services
Angie Hards, Director of Curriculum
William Mull, Director of Business Services
Melanie Berry, Early Learning Director
Jennifer Burke, Hill Elementary Principal
Keri Collins, Middle School Assistant Principal
Andrea Ferguson, High School Assistant Principal
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal
Jerry Piger, High School Principal
Christine Kuzinski, Central Elementary Principal
Natalie Miller, Gates Elementary Principal
TJ Fischhauber, Alternative Education Principal
Josie Paquette, Middle School Principal
Melissa Williams, Thomson Elementary Principal

STAFF: Amy Cottrill, Sara Howes, Kevin Roberts, Jerry Yerkes, Daniyle Weir

OTHER GUESTS: Robin Ballard, Bob Beckelic, Nicholas Boulton, Christine Bozynski, Brooke Boyer, Samantha Bruyere, Alicia Calvin, Caitlin Cottrill, Michelle Davis, Norman Fischer, Oddie Fischer, Erika Glasco, Sandy Glish, Dylan Goetz, Gary Gould, Heather Giguere, Amie Haye, Jared Hurley, Stephanie Jackson, Sandra Jobin, Patti Kiefer, Devon LaRocque, Rachel LaRocque, Leonard Marden, Sherry Marden, Shannon McKee, Candice Miller, Chris Miller, Katie Miller, Heather Mitchell, Elizabeth Norman, Amanda Pruett, Josh Pruett, Kelli Pyles, Joshua Pyles, Diane Rhines, Roy Richard, Lindsey Spiewak, Mary Stearns, Abby Tvardos, Alison Tvardos, Kira Tvardos, Theresa Unger, Ben Vick, Naomi Vick, David Vinton, Theresa Vinton, Cassie Emerick, Waylon Emerick, Dave Weir, Nichol Yerkes, Wendy Yerkes

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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 Karen Conover at 6:00 p.m. in the Davison High School Auditorium.

Trustee Matthew Smith requested the order of the agenda be revised. President Karen Conover denied the request.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Twice a month, Thomson students that have completed a Cardinal Code sticker chart visit the Thomson Trading Post to choose a reward. One of the choices is to lead the Pledge over the morning announcements. The group of students that Thomson is bringing to the Board Meeting in May are the students that have chosen to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

OPEN BOARD POSITION: The Board interviewed four candidates, recommended by the Personnel Committee, for the open position on the Davison Community Schools Board of Education as defined in Davison School Board Policy 0142.5 and Section 310 of the Election Code. Moved by Holly Halabicky, supported by Granger Stefanko, to appoint Diane Rhines to fill the open Davison Community Schools Board of Education position. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried with a vote of 4-yes, 2-no. Trustee Hensley and Trustee Smith voted no. Board Secretary Robin Ricica administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Rhines and Mrs. Rhines joined the Board following her appointment.

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 Kurtis McMahan, supported by Granger Stefanko, to approve the consent agenda which included items 1-4 below:

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the regular meeting minutes for the previous meeting of April 10, 2023. Approval of the minutes for committee meetings held since the April 10, 2023 Board meeting.

2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills through April 23:

AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, School Lunch Fund, and Student Activity Fund	$ 2,063,174.60

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

4. **Monthly Personnel Report:** Approval of personnel activity for the period through April 30, 2023.

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

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Special Presentations

Kids First Award Recognition: Central Elementary Special Education Para-professional Jerry Yerkes was honored as our May "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.

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

Norm Fischer, Leonard Marden, Sherry Marden and Sandra Jobin spoke in opposition of the Board member appointment.

Bob Beckelic stated this year's prom was a huge success and complimented the athletic programs. He questioned a Davison Board Trustee as to why he attends meetings to promote his own agenda rather than the meetings he was elected to attend.

Lindsay Spiewak congratulated Diane Rhines on her appointment and praised administrators, including Assistant Principal Keri Collins and Gates Elementary Principal Natalie Miller. She also voiced her concern over an assignment that was given by a teacher at the high school.

Roy Richards congratulated Superintendent Brown on his retirement and thanked him for being at the helm leading the District and for his dedication to our students. He complemented High School Principal Jerry Piger for doing a great job.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence to be read.

ACTION ITEMS:

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 Trustee Holly Halabicky attended the annual GISD budget hearing on April 26, and Superintendent Kevin Brown has taken part in meetings where the proposed 2023/2024 GISD budgets were reviewed by Genesee County superintendents. Pertinent information about the proposed budgets along with a resolution supporting the 2023/2024 GISD budgets were attached for review. Moved by Alicia Hensley, supported by Kurtis McMahan, to approve the 2023/2024 GISD proposed budget. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

GISD BIENNIAL ELECTION RESOLUTION: State law requires constituent Boards of Education within the Genesee Intermediate School District to adopt a resolution to consider the designation of its representative for the biennial meeting of the GISD Board. The Board named Karen Conover as their representative and Alicia Hensley

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as their alternate at their April 10, 2023 meeting. The Board will adopt a resolution which designates its representative to the electoral body and direct said representative to vote for each position to be filled on the GISD Board at the biennial election to be held on Monday, June 5, 2023. An informational biography of candidates was previously provided. Granger Stefanko made a motion, supported by Holly Halabicky, to vote for the existing incumbents on the GISD Board. For the two (2) six (6) year terms for Janis Bugbee, and Richard Hill for the partial four (4) year term Salvatore Ausiello and for the partial two (2) year term for DesRae Jourbran. A roll call vote was taken. Representative President Karen Conover will cast the board's majority vote for the above. Motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 1-no (Matthew Smith).

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN: Earlier this year we learned that beginning in the fall, the District would no longer be nested under the County's stormwater management plan and that we would need to apply for the required permit on our own. Executive Director of Operations Phil Thom has been working with our environmental consultant, Arch Environmental, to ensure that the District will obtain the required permit for stormwater discharge by the deadline, May 31, 2023. In order for Arch Environmental to obtain the required permit on behalf of the District, the Board needs to adopt the attached resolution. The resolution and a letter from Arch Environmental were previously shared with the Board. Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Holly Halabicky to approve the resolution in support of the district's stormwater management plan. Motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

AUTHORIZATION OF SUMMER MARCHING BAND CAMP: James Schuster, 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 30 – August 4, 2023. The location will be Camp Echo Grove in Leonard, Michigan. Details about the proposed trip were provided. Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Kurtis McMahan to approve the summer marching band camp trip. 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 Dallas, Texas, from June 21-24, 2023. Information provided by Health Science Teacher Laurie Heath was previously provided. Moved by Holly Halabicky, supported by Granger Stefanko to approve the HOSA student trip. Motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF POLICIES FOR THE FIRST READING: The Board Policy & Planning Committee recommended approval of the following policies for the first reading. Superintendent Brown provided an overview of the policy updates.

2623	Student Assessment
6325	Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds
8390	Animals on District Property
8400	School Safety Information
1615	Use of Tobacco by Administrators
3215	Use of Tobacco by Professional Staff

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4215	Use of Tobacco by Support Staff
5512	Use of Tobacco by Students
7434	Use of Tobacco on School Premises
9160	Public Attendance at School Events
7540.02	Web Accessibility, Content, Apps and Services
7540.03	Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
7540.04	Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety
8305	Information Security
8315	Information Management
9700.01	Advertising and Commercial Activities

Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Kurtis McMahan, to approve the first reading of the recommended policies. The motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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

- Kipp Stewart, Stewart & Associates Insurance, donated $1,000 for the sponsorship of the Senior Honors Night Reception.
- Genesee Education Consultant Services (GECS) donated a $2,000 scholarship to one graduating senior in the Class of 2023.

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

Future Meeting Dates:

Regular Board Meeting:
Monday, June 5, 2023
6:00 p.m.
DHS Auditorium
1250 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

CLOSED SESSION: Moved by Matthew Smith, seconded by Granger Stefanko, to convene into closed session at 7:37 p.m. to conduct a hearing to consider a disciplinary matter involving a student which is allowed under Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act. No action was taken during closed session. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Matthew Smith, supported by Kurtis McMahan, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:29 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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STUDENT SUSPENSION (Regarding student disciplinary matter heard):
Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Matthew Smith, that the student brought before the Board tonight be suspended through the end of the 2022-2023 school year from the Davison Community Schools due to violation of the student code of conduct. The student will be allowed to return to school for the 2023-2024 school year. The motion carried with a roll call vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Holly Halabicky, supported by Alicia Hensley, to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

Alicia Hensley

Alicia Hensley, Secretary
Davison Board of Education