

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Board Meeting

De Soto Middle/High School LMC 7:00 P.M

Monday, May 23, 2016

MEMBERS

Present

Rick Pedretti, President

Jess Boardman, Vice President

Kirk Holliday, Treasurer

Geri Fox, Clerk

Shirley Alton

Will Buckles

Jeff Long

Dean Penkalski

Linzi Gronning, Interim Superintendent

Absent

Dan Fladhammer

The Regular meeting of the De Soto Area School District Board of Education was called to order at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, April 18, 2016, by Board President Rick Pedretti. All Board members were present except Dan Fladhammer.

The meeting was publicized by posting on the school doors, banks and post offices in De Soto, Ferryville, Genoa and Stoddard, Pedretti's in Genoa, Pronto in De Soto, and Red Mound Store on 4/14/2016, printed in the Broadcaster on 4/14/2016 and broadcast over WVRQ Radio.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Jeff Long to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Nomination and election of new officers are as follows:

Motion was made by Shirley Alton to nominate Jess Boardman as President. Motion failed due to lack of a second. Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Geri Fox to nominate Rick Pedretti as President. Motion carried. By written ballot Rick Pedretti was elected President.

Motion was made by Rick Pedretti and seconded by Dean Penkalski to nominate Jess Boardman as Vice-President. Motion carried. By board vote Jess Boardman was elected Vice-President.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Jess Boardman to nominate Kirk Holliday as Treasurer. Motion carried. By board vote Kirk Holliday was elected Treasurer.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Kirk Holliday to nominate Geri Fox as Clerk. Motion carried. By board vote Geri Fox was elected Clerk.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Kirk Holliday to nominate Rick Pedretti as Board Correspondent. Motion carried. By board vote Rick Pedretti was elected Board Correspondent.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Will Buckles to nominate Jess Boardman as WASB Delegate. Motion carried. By board vote Jess Boardman was elected WASB Delegate.

Motion was made by Will Buckles and seconded by Jeff Long to nominate Rick Pedretti as WASB Alternate Delegate. Motion carried. By board vote Rick Pedretti was elected WASB Alternate Delegate.

Motion was made by Kirk Holliday and seconded by Jess Boardman to nominate Dan Fladhammer as CESA 4 Delegate. Motion carried. By board vote Dan Fladhammer was elected CESA 4 Delegate.

Board Committee Assignments: The Board committee assignments will be appointed by the board president at the June board meeting.

Board Meeting Dates: Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Will Buckles to hold the board meetings on the third Monday of the month. One meeting per month at 7:00 pm will be scheduled; adjusted as needed. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Dean Penkalski to continue with the Vernon County Broadcaster as the official school newspaper. Motion carried.

Public comment time: None

Committee and other reports:

No Committees have meet since the May 4, 2016 Special Board Meeting.

Kirsten Jandrin, School Counselor, presented information on her work with students throughout the school year. Ms. Jandrin also shared some plans for next year.

The vocal performance was postponed.

Motion was made by Will Buckles and seconded by Jess Boardman that the receipts and expenditures, vouchers #42294-#42477 in the amount of \$559,254.37 be approved. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Will Buckles that the minutes of the April 18 and May 4, 2016 board meetings be approved as amended. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Dean Penkalski to approve Alex Stevenson as a Volunteer High School Track Coach and accept resignations from Scott King-Athletic Director, Danielle Hopkins-HS Assistant Girls Basketball, Stephanie Lawrence-MS Girls Basketball, Jon Fruth-MS Boys Basketball Coach Daron Fuglsang-MS Wrestling, Lucas Gilman-Forensics Assistant Advisor, and RoxAnne Fox-TAG Coordinator. Motion carried.

Staff presented information regarding community services hours completion by seniors as a requirement for graduation. All seniors completed the required 20 hours of community service.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Shirley Alton to approve 38 seniors for graduation as presented. Motion carried. Four foreign exchange students will be recognized at graduation as having completed their year at De Soto High School.

Information regarding applications for Open Enrollment into and out of the District was reviewed in closed session.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Will Buckles to approve affiliation with the WIAA for 2016-17. Motion carried. The fees for membership were again waived for 2016-17.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Shirley Alton to approve the summer school schedule and staff as presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Kirk Holliday to approve five new Student Activity Accounts for MS Volleyball, Drama Club, Class of 2020, Class of 2021 and Class of 2022. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Will Buckles and seconded by Dean Penkalski to approve the additional graduation requirement for 2016-17 of the 100 question civics test as required by Act 55 of the Wisconsin Legislature. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Jeff Long to approve issuing Extra Duty Contracts for Fall, Winter and Year-round activities for 2016-17 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Jeff Long to approve issuing Support Staff Letters of Intent as presented for 2016-17. Will Buckles and Jess Boardman both abstained. Motion carried.

Staff provided information regarding the Districts current State Trust Fund Loan.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Geri Fox to approve the following Overnight Trip Requests; Mexico in Summer 2017 requested by Michael Parker, Costa Rica in Summer 2017 requested by Michael Parker, Italy Art Trip in summer 2017 requested by Tom Stingl, FFA Summer Leadership at Jag Lake in Summer 2016 requested by Ron Von Glahn, FFA Conference in November 2016 requested by Ron Von Glahn, FFA ½ time Conference in January 2017 requested by Ron Von Glahn, Senior Trip to Chicago in January 2017 requested by Ron Von Glahn, FFA State Judging in April 2017 requested by Ron Von Glahn, and FFA State Convention

in June 2017 requested by Ron Von Glahn, Middle School SAC Leadership Training in October 2016 requested by Andrea Christopherson, Middle School SAC State JAM Conference in May 2017 requested by Andrea Christopherson and 8th Grade Washington DC Trip in May 2017 requested by Kathleen Schwartz. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kirk Holliday and seconded by Jeff Long to approve the Fund 80 Request from Stoddard Genoa Youth Sports to replace the batting cage net at Stoddard Park in the amount of \$600.00. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Dean Penkalski to accept donations from Vernon Memorial Hospital for \$294 and American Heart Association for \$450 to support the Color Run/Walk. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kirk Holliday and seconded by Geri Fox to approve the federally mandated increase for the 2016-17 Food Service Contract including raising the lunch prices by \$0.10 per meal as required by DPI to \$2.85 for Middle/High School and \$2.55 for Elementary School. Motion carried. Staff will review the year end numbers and determine if any additional amount will need to be increased based on the 2016-17 Budget.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Will Buckles to approve moving the June Meeting from June 20th to June 27th. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Kirk Holliday to approve the School Nurse contract for 2015-16 and 2016-17 as presented. Motion carried.

Principal Reports

Tim Fergot, MS/HS Associate Principal: Softball and baseball teams are playing well. Discipline issues are being investigated and handled. Some days incidents have to be prioritized to protect everyone and determine what is best for all involved and to have them learn from their experience. In school suspension is being enforced and students are being counseled to help make better choices.

Mike Chapes, Stoddard Elementary Principal and Kelly Olson, Prairie View Elementary Principal: Finished testing at both elementary schools, it went well. Teachers are wrapping up loose ends and planning for next year. Girls Track and Girls Softball both won conference championships this Spring.

Linzi Gronning, MS/HS Principal and Interim Superintendent: Reported on her initial Superintendency internship and training at Round Rock Independent School District in Texas.

Director Reports

Caron Malin, Special Ed./Pupil Services Director: Reported about incoming and new students into the Special Ed. Program. All high service claims have been submitted and we are going to be receiving reimbursement. Ms. Malin is also working with the Title 1 teachers to re-write our district plan for Title 1 services.

Correspondence:

2017 School Board Convention information

Transgender Student Restroom Access information from Shana Lewis

Letter supporting De Soto Recreation Opportunities Committee grant request for hiking trails

Letter from La Crosse City Clerk regarding a cooperative plan between the City of La Crosse and the Town of Shelby

Notice from WIAA regarding amendments approved at the annual meeting

Letter to De Soto Village Library thanking Jacquelynn Greiner for her volunteer work collaborating between the School District and the Village

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Jess Boardman to adjourn to Closed Session WI Stats. 19.85(1)(c) – Open Enrollment. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Jess Boardman to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried.

Action items from Closed Session:

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Shirley Alton to approve Open Enrollment requests as presented by administration. Motion carried. One Open Enroll In student will be placed on a waiting list and two Open Enroll In students will be denied based on age. One Open Enroll Out family will be notified of options for their child based on age for services.

Items for June 2016 Board Meeting: Stoddard PTO pads for gym and concrete donations

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Will Buckles to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:44 pm.

Geri Fox, Clerk