

# MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Board Meeting

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

Monday, July 20, 2015

## MEMBERS

Present

Rick Pedretti, President

Jess Boardman, Vice President

Kirk Holliday, Treasurer

Geri Fox, Clerk

Shirley Alton

Jeff Long

Dean Penkalski

Kevin Walleser

James Kuchta, Superintendent

Absent

Dan Fladhammer

The Regular meeting of the De Soto Area School District Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 20, 2015, 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 7/16/2015, printed in the Broadcaster on 7/16/2015 and broadcast over WVRQ Radio.

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

Public comment time:

None

Committee and other reports:

The Building and Grounds/Transportation Committee met June 17<sup>th</sup> to finalize end of year purchases and construction quotes on phase 2 parking and the bus garage road.

Committee went with Sheldon bid on both.

Purchased several vehicles, technology items and flooring

Musical presentation was postponed.

Motion was made by Kirk Holliday and seconded by Dean Penkalski that the receipts and expenditures, vouchers #41034 - #41116 in the amount of \$513,922.21 be approved. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Jeff Long that the minutes of the June 16, 2015 board meeting be approved. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Jeff Long to approve the following resignations and hires: Resignations: Dale Piurkowski from Middle School Boys Basketball, Michelle Tryggestad from Library Media Center and Melissa Plaza from Kindergarten at Prairie View Elementary. Hires: Chelsey Oswald for Asst. Volleyball Coach, Kathy Schwartz for Middle School Volleyball Coach, Danielle Hopkins for Asst. Girls Basketball Coach and Jennifer Arndt for Kindergarten at Prairie View Elementary. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Geri Fox to approve the fuel bid from Ag Vantage FS for \$0.8150 per gallon LP for 2015-16. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Jess Boardman to approve the Prairie Farms milk bid for 2015-2016 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Shirley Alton and seconded by Geri Fox to approve the Bimbo Bakery bread bid for 2015-2016 as presented. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Dean Penkalski to increase meal prices as follows, Breakfast-\$1.20 for all students and \$1.75 for adults; Lunch-\$2.45 for Elementary students, \$2.75 for Middle/High School students and \$4.05 for adults; Additional milk-\$.35 for all individuals. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Kirk Holliday to approve the insurance policy quotes from Hastings using The Insurance Center as our broker for 2015-16. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Jess Boardman to withdraw from the Local Government Property Insurance Fund as of 08/01/2015. Motion carried.

There were no changes to the FSA 125 Plan so no additional approval was needed for this year. No action required.

Motion was made by Kirk Holliday and seconded by Kevin Walleser to approve the Elementary and Middle/High School handbooks as amended. Motion carried.

A draft of the Virtual School Handbook was discussed.

Motion was made by Dean Penkalski and seconded by Jeff Long to approve entering into an agreement with SkoolLive to provide advertising and promotion kiosks in the Middle High School at no cost to the District and the opportunity for ad revenue. James Kuchta will try to negotiate a shorter term. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Geri Fox and seconded by Kevin Walleser to approve the Lead Custodian and Custodian job descriptions as presented. Motion carried.

Core Values & Common Beliefs discussion. James Kuchta presented sample common belief statements and will finalize before school starts.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Geri Fox to approve the Fund 80 Request for the Fitness Center in the amount of \$8,320. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Rick Pedretti to approve the Middle School Car Raffle fundraiser to support the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington D.C. trip over the next 3 years. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Geri Fox to approved the Charter Bus contract for the 2016 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip. Motion carried.

Principal Reports

Mike Chapes: Vacation

Kelly Olson: He is excited about the new kindergarten hire. The Summer Swimming lessons are going good. Jump Start is starting next week.

Linzi Gronning: Reported she asked the colleges to grandfather the teachers that were currently teaching dual credits. So we may not be able to offer all the classes we had offered. DHS FFA is serving at Culvers August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Pat Busted: Pat reported that the summer cleaning is going good. He has updated lighting in Stoddard and updated five electric panels in the High School building. At Prairie View he updated some gym lights. In the Middle School carpet was replaced. Painting was done at Stoddard and Prairie View.

Director Reports

Caron Malin: Vacation

District Administrator Report

Jim Kuchta:

- **Core Values – Common Beliefs**

- Administrative Recommendations, Ad Hoc Committee

- **Legislative Update**

- Governor Walker signed the state biennial budget July 12. Representative Lee Nerison voted against the state budget.
- The newest estimate of the state budget impact for De Soto is a decrease in general state aid in the amount of just under \$213,000 which is down from the previous estimate of a \$221,000 decrease.

- **2014-15 P-Card Rebate from WASBO \$4,113**
- **2013-14 P-card Rebate from WASBO was \$1,092**
- **LPG Fuel Usage for 2014-15 was 71,685 gallons**
  - See spreadsheet of recent year usage and cost
- **Tire changer and balancer purchased by the school district for \$3,790 was a Tech. Ed. purchase for the new Auto Repair class next year**
- **Cash-in-lieu of Insurance savings to the district for over the past two years (2013-14 & 2014-15)**
  - See spreadsheet of CIL Savings
- **Meeting with Performance Services Engineers and Pat Busted on Tuesday, July 28 to gather information on the Energy Audit. There is no cost for this service at this time.**
- **Reinstated Wyalusing Grade 6 Orientation in 2013 after 2 year Hiatus. This year the trip will be included in summer school and be held August 19-21 (Thursday-Saturday). Middle school staff is working diligently planning it.**
- **Virtual School Progress**
  - Handbook
  - Organizational Meeting
  - Parent Advisory Board
- **Vision 2020/2025 Plan**
  - Buildings, Grounds & Transportation
  - Curriculum & Programs
  - Personnel & Finance
  - Policy & Governance

Correspondence

- Parent letter from King's regarding Youth Options
- 2014-15 Graduate Intentions
- WASB Membership renewal acknowledgement

Motion was made by Jess Boardman and seconded by Kirk Holliday to adjourn to Closed Session WI Stats. 19.85(1)(c) –Administrative Contracts. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Dean Penkalski to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried.

Action items from Closed Session

None.

Items for August 2015 Board Meeting:

None.

Motion was made by Jeff Long and seconded by Jess Boardman to adjourn. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Gerri Fox, Clerk