

**DeForest Area School District
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 14, 2021 – 6:00 pm.**

1.	<p>Convene</p> <p>President Jan Berg called the June 14, 2021 regular meeting of the DeForest Area School District's Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Eric Runez verified that the meeting was properly noticed.</p> <p>Board members present: Jan Berg, Keri Brunelle, Brian Coker, Sue Esser, Linda Leonhart, Jeff Miller, Jeff Hahn ,and Steve Tenpas. Absent was: Gail Lovick. Also present were administrators Eric Runez, Rebecca Toetz, Kathy Davis, Nate Jaeger and Debbie Brewster.</p> <p>The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.</p> <p>Steve Tenpas recited the DeForest Area School District's Mission, Vision, and Equity Statements.</p>
2.	<p>Approval of the Agenda</p> <p>On a motion by Brunelle, seconded by Leonhart, and passed unanimously by voice vote, the agenda was approved.</p>
3.	<p>Announcements by the Chair</p> <p>The Board may convene into Closed Session for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)(c) (Superintendent evaluation)</p>
4.	<p>Public Input - Email from Rhonda Meinholz read by Coker regarding face covering policy.</p>
5.	<p>Board Business & possible Board action</p> <p>A. Construction Update</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> John Rauwolf, District Owner Advocate for the referendum projects shared updated photos of the construction projects at the High School, Middle School, Yahara Elementary, and Harvest Intermediate School. All projects are on time and within budget parameters.</p> <p>B. Teaching and Learning Celebrations</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Director of Instructional Services, Dr. Rebecca Toetz and High School Principal, Machell Schwarz shared that K-12 Teachers were asked to reflect upon this past school year. Themes from those reflections were shared. As the District moves forward in planning toward a more equitable, post-pandemic world, a group of staff (with student input) at the High School determined that it would be beneficial to share the good work that has been done over the past year or two. Schwarz shared the presentation that was created by multiple High School departments with specific</p>

examples.

C. Update on 2021-2022 District Budget Parameters

Discussion: Director of Business & Auxiliary Services, Kathleen Davis-Phillips presented an update on 2021-2022 District Budget parameters, in light of recent developments by the State of Wisconsin Joint Finance Committee for the 2021-2023 Budget Proposal and she shared the implications of the JFC proposal.

D. Consider Board of Education Resolution on State of Wisconsin Joint Finance Committee 2021-2023 Budget Proposal

Discussion: The Board considered a resolution on the State of Wisconsin Joint Finance Committee 2021-2023 Budget Proposal.

On a motion by Miller, seconded by Leonhart, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education approved a resolution that calls upon lawmakers to rework and pass a state budget bill that provides the state funding for K-12 education necessary to qualify the state of Wisconsin to receive its rightful share of federal COVID relief for K-12 education and properly fund our state's public schools. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

E. Presentation and possible approval of OE-9 Communicating with the Public Board Policy Monitoring Report

Discussion: School/Community Relations Coordinator, Debbie Brewster presented the monitoring report for Board Policy, OE-9 Communicating with the Public. The report is presented as in compliance.

On a motion by Miller, seconded by Tenpas, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to accept OE-9 Communicating with the Public Board Policy Monitoring Report, as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

On a motion by Coker, seconded by Coker, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to approve OE-9 Communicating with the Public Board Policy Monitoring Report, as in compliance. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

F. Review of Communication Section of Family Survey Results

Discussion: School/Community Relations Coordinator, Debbie Brewster reported on the results of the communication section of the Family Survey.

G. Update on Community Conversation planning

Discussion: School/Community Relations Coordinator, Debbie Brewster presented an update on planning for the Community Conversation event ("Framework for Moving Forward") on August 11, 2021.

6. Board Consent Agenda
A. Accept Minutes - May 24, 2021

	<p>Brunelle made a motion, Hahn seconded to approve the Board Consent Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p>
7..	<p>Superintendent Consent Agenda</p> <p>A. Personnel Recommendations</p> <p>I. Separations:</p> <p>Hayley Gunderson - Educational Assistant YES - resignation effective 6/7/2021</p> <p>Jennifer Zimmerman - Sign Language Interpreter YES - resignation effective 6/7/2021</p> <p>Andrew Yake - Educational Assistant DAHS - resignation effective 6/7/2021</p> <p>Avery Jamison - Educational Assistant WES - resignation effective 6/7/2021</p> <p>Kris Gillam - Food Service WES - resignation effective 5/21/2021</p> <p>Dana Erickson - School Counselor EPES - resignation effective 6/7/2021</p> <p>Larry Federer - Custodian DAMS - retirement effective 8/2/2021</p> <p>Amie Brickl - Reading Specialist DAHS - resignation effective 6/7/2021</p> <p>II. Leaves: None.</p> <p>III. Transfers:</p> <p>Joana Calixto-Martinez - Math Teacher DAHS to ESL Teacher WES/Harvest - new position</p> <p>Brian Hagen - Custodian 2 Harvest to Maintenance Mechanic District - new position</p> <p>Jodi Beach - Educational Assistant EPES to Educational Assistant DAHS - replacing Carrie Furseth</p> <p>IV. Appointments:</p> <p>Lukas Crook - Head Building Custodian DAMS - replacing Cade Sorensen</p> <p>Hailey Pedersen - 0.5 FTE Speech & Language EPES - replacing Kerri Brunk</p> <p>Stefani Geurts - 3rd Grade Teacher EPES - new position</p> <p>Jennifer Gartside - 2nd Grade Teacher WES - replacing Erin Sonnleitner</p> <p>Jamie Parks - Educational Assistant DAHS - replacing Cassie Miller Knaus</p> <p>Eric Norland - School Counselor YES - replacing Stephanie Glad</p> <p>B. Vouchers Payable/Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Paid: 203920-204018, 202101317-20210143, 202000576-202000737, 19098</p> <p>Miller made a motion, Brunelle seconded, to approve the Superintendent's Consent Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p>
8.	<p>Linkages: Several Board members toured Harvest Intermediate School on June 8.</p>
9.	<p>Press Verification</p> <p>The press was given the opportunity to clarify any proceedings or notes.</p>
10.	<p>Convene into Closed Session</p> <p>Coker moved, Leonhart seconded, to move into closed session at 8:10 pm. The motion was adopted by the following vote: Aye –Berg, Brunelle, Coker, Esser, Hahn, Leonhart, Miller, and Tenpas. Naye – None. Absent – Lovick.</p> <p>While in Closed Session, the Board conducted business in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)(c).[Superintendent annual contractual evaluation]</p>

11.	<p>Reconvene into Open Session</p> <p>On a motion by Hahn, seconded by Brunelle, and passed by a unanimous show of hands the Board of Education reconvened into open session at 9:05 pm.</p>
12.	Further discussion or action related to Closed Session business - None.
13.	Future Agenda Items
14.	Board Debrief
15.	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>The Board of Education adjourned at 9:09 pm on a motion by Hahn, seconded by Coker, and passed unanimously by voice vote.</p>
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