

**DeForest Area School District
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 25, 2019 – 6:00 pm.**

1.	<p>Convene</p> <p>President Jan Berg called the November 25, 2019 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, Jeff Miller, Spencer Statz, and Steve Tenpas. Absent were: Gail Lovick and Linda Leonhart. Also present were administrators Eric Runez, Rebecca Toetz, Kathy Davis, Sara Totten, Pete Wilson, Nate Jaeger and Debbie Brewster.</p> <p>The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.</p> <p>Jan Berg recited the DeForest Area School District's Mission and Vision Statements.</p>
2.	<p>Approval of the Agenda</p> <p>On a motion by Brunelle, seconded by Coker, and passed unanimously by voice vote, the agenda was approved.</p>
3.	<p>Staff Recognition</p> <p>A. Recognition of Wisconsin School Public Relations Association (WSPRA) 2019 Spectrum Award of Merit and Award of Excellence winner - Debbie Brewster, School/Community Relations Coordinator</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> The Board recognized, School/Community Relations Coordinator, Debbie Brewster, for earning a Wisconsin School Public Relations Association (WSPRA) 2019 Spectrum Award of Merit for the DeForest Area School District 2018-2019 Annual Report and an Award of Excellence for the 2019 Referendum Campaign.</p>
4.	<p>Board Education</p> <p>A. State Report Card Update with Principals - Director of Administrative Services, Dr. Pete Wilson</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Director of Administrative Services, Dr. Pete Wilson was present, along with District Principals, Machell Schwarz, Kurt Becker, Roz Craney, Roy Bernards, Ann Schoenberger, Valerie Crowl, and Bill Huebsch to provide an update on the State Report Card results. As part of the state accountability system, the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) produces report cards for every publicly funded school and district in Wisconsin. These Accountability Report Cards include data on multiple indicators for multiple years across four Priority Areas (Student Achievement, Growth, Closing Gaps, and On-track and Post-secondary Success). In addition, given the impact on student success, the Accountability Report Cards also measure chronic absenteeism and dropout rates. All DeForest Area schools received a score of Meets or Exceeds Expectations. The District received an overall score of 74.4, Exceeds Expectations.</p>

5.	<p>Board Business & possible Board action</p> <p>A. Presentation and possible approval of Board Policy R-2 Academic Performance - Literacy and other courses Monitoring Report - Director of Instructional Services, Dr. Rebecca Toetz</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Director of Instructional Services, Dr. Rebecca Toetz and Program Coordinator of Teaching and Learning, Kate Dabetic presented the Board Policy R-2 Academic Performance - Literacy Monitoring Report. They presented the report as making reasonable progress with the exceptions noted.</p> <p>On a motion by Miller, seconded by Tenpas, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to accept the R-2 Academic Performance - Literacy Board Policy Monitoring Report, as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p> <p>On a motion by Miller, seconded by Coker, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to approve R-2 Academic Performance - Literacy Board Policy Monitoring Report, as presented, as making reasonable progress with the exceptions noted. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p> <p><i>Summary Statement:</i> The Board is concerned about the reported results in literacy, particularly in subgroups, but acknowledges that assessments used to collect data present certain challenges. More detailed information about District assessments will be presented at a future Board meeting to help increase understanding of multiple sources of data and how they are being used to assess student achievement. The Board would like a future discussion about indicators, particularly indicators that require 100% success. It is noted that there is a need for a review of Board policies, prior to considering indicator changes for this policy. The capacity building section presented was more of an action plan, and should be titled as such, rather than identifying resources needed to achieve reasonable progress.</p> <p>A. Consider rescheduling Board Self-Assessment from March 2, 2020 to January 13, 2020 on Board Annual Work Plan</p> <p>On a motion by Tenpas, seconded by Brunelle, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to reschedule the Board Self-Assessment from March 2, 2020 to January 13, 2020 on Board Annual Work Plan. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p> <p>B. Referendum Update</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Superintendent Runez spoke about the Community Open House which was held on November 18 to update the community on the referendum projects. There will likely be more open houses in the future as the projects progress. Two furniture vendors have been selected. The District Office visioning team will begin meeting next week to make plans for the part of the project involving moving the District Office to the current Middle School.</p>
6.	Public Input - None.
7.	Board Consent Agenda

	<p>A. Accept Minutes - November 11, 2019 Board Retreat</p> <p>Coker made a motion, Esser seconded to approve the Board Consent Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p>
8.	<p>Superintendent Consent Agenda</p> <p>A. Personnel Recommendations</p> <p>I. Separations:</p> <p>Marti Bethke - Educational Assistant Library - Retirement effective 2/4/2019</p> <p>Amanda Harford - Health Room Assistant - Resignation effective 12/4/2019</p> <p>II. Leaves:</p> <p>Cassidy Crevcore - Physical Education Teacher YES - extended leave 3/16/2020 through 6/10/2020</p> <p>III. Transfers: None.</p> <p>IV. Appointments: None.</p> <p>V. Reassignments: None.</p> <p>VI. Other: None.</p> <p>B. Vouchers Payable/Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Paid: 201802-201865, 192000836-192000963, 201900325-201900331</p> <p>C. Revised District Policies reflecting latest Neola update</p> <p>Miller made a motion, Statz seconded, to approve the Superintendent's Consent Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p>
9.	<p>Linkages - Statz attended the WIAA State Football Championship Game, with DeForest defeating Menasha to win the Division 3 Championship title. Superintendent Runez mentioned that players and coaches will be invited to be recognized at an upcoming Board meeting.</p>
10.	<p>Press Verification</p> <p>The press was given the opportunity to clarify any proceedings or notes.</p>
11.	<p>Future Agenda Items - request for an update on turf for the football field.</p>
12.	<p>Board Debrief</p>
13.	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>The Board of Education adjourned at 8:15 pm on a motion by Coker, seconded by Brunelle, and passed unanimously by voice vote.</p>
	<p>DASD BOE President Signature:</p>
	<p>Date:</p>