

**DeForest Area School District  
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes,  
Monday, January 9, 2012  
Immediately following Special Meeting of the Electorate – approx. 6:20 pm**

1. Convene

President Jan Berg called the January 9, 2012 regular meeting of the DeForest Area School District's Board of Education to order at 6:13 pm.

Board members present: Jan Berg, Mike Hirsch, Steve Tenpas, Dave Miller, Kate Lund, Marty Palus, and Dan Choi. Absent were Trisha Rodekamp and Sue Paulson. Also present were administrators Jon Bales, Sue Wilson, and Diane Pertzborn.

Jon Bales verified that the meeting was properly noticed.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

*Announcement: The Board of Education will convene into Closed Session following the regular meeting for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the investing of public funds whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)(e), [review counsel input regarding negotiating health benefits for the DASD]*

On a motion by Palus, seconded by Lund, and passed unanimously by voice vote, the agenda was approved.

Dan Choi recited the DeForest Area School District's Mission and Vision Statements.

2. Appearances Before the Board of Education

Public Input: Jeffrey Horn addressed the Board regarding item 3A. School Board Candidate, Legertha Champagne introduced herself and announced that she is seeking the At-Large Board of Education seat.

Student Representatives: Student Representative, Rileigh Hawk gave an update on events at the High School. The Waunkee and DeForest High School Student Councils teamed up to raise nearly \$6,000 to support the fight against Juvenile Diabetes. On Friday, January 6 students hosted Pack the Gym Night at DAHS, where the boys and girls varsity basketball teams from each school played on the same night. Students held several fundraising activities, including a bake sale, t-shirt sale and other fun activities to support the event. Winter One-Act plays by students in grades 1 – 8 are scheduled on January 19 at 7:00 pm. Admission is \$2.00 and profits support the High School drama department. High School One-Act plays will be held in February.

3. Board Business

A. Ends Discussion

- 1.) Review and discussion of Governance Policy 7.0 – Role of Vice President (GP 1: Role of the Board – Policy Review)

Discussion: Kate Lund reviewed Governance Policy 7.0 – Role of Vice President and recommended no changes. After discussion with the Board, no other revisions were suggested. The reviewed policy will be formally considered at the next Board meeting.

- 2.) Review and discussion of Executive Limitation 7.0 – Financial Conditions and Activities (GP 1: Role of the Board – Policy Review)

Discussion: Steve Tenpas reviewed Executive Limitation 7.0 – Financial Conditions and Activities and commented on how well written all of the policies have been. Tenpas suggested a revision to section 7.4 to change the language from *In-debt the District in an amount greater than can be repaid by certain, otherwise unencumbered revenues within sixty days* to ***In-debt the District in any manner or amount greater than allowed by law.*** After discussion with the Board, no other revisions were suggested. The revised policy will be formally considered at the next Board meeting.

B. Consideration for Board of Education Action

- 1.) Determination of Candidate Ballot Order for Spring 2012 Election (if necessary). (GP 1(6): Role of the Board – as it relates to complying with responsibilities outlined in Wisconsin State Statute regarding election process)

Discussion: Board Clerk, Kate Lund determined the candidate ballot order for the upcoming spring school board election by a random drawing of lots for the two contested seats. For the Village of DeForest seat, first on the ballot will be Mike Hirsch, second will be Jeffrey Horn. For the At-Large seat, Chris McFarlin will be listed first and Legertha Champagne will be listed second.

- 2.) Consideration of WASB Resolutions and provide direction for the Board’s delegate for the 2012 State Delegation Meeting in Milwaukee in January 2012.

Discussion: Superintendent Bales assisted the Board in reviewing the proposed WASB Resolutions. Board members offered comments or suggestions to Delegate Assembly representative, Jan Berg.

On a motion by Palus, seconded by Choi, the DeForest Area Board of Education directed Jan Berg, DASD representative to the Delegate Assembly, to take individual action in voting on the WASB resolutions that best serves the BOE Ends and Goals for the District. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote. Berg abstained from voting.

- 3.) Approval of reviewed Governance Policy 5.0 – Board Members’ Code of Conduct II (GP 1: Role of the Board – Policy Review)
- 4.) Approval of reviewed and revised Governance Policy 6.0 – Role of the President (GP 1: Role of the Board – Policy Review)
- 5.) Approval of reviewed and revised Executive Limitation 6.0 – Programs and Services (GP 1: Role of the Board – Policy Review)

On a motion by Miller, seconded by Palus, the DeForest Area Board of Education approved the reviewed and revised GP 5.0 – Board Members’ Code of Conduct II, GP 6.0 – Role of the President and EL 6.0 – Programs and Services as presented. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

4. Agenda Planning

- A. Refer to Annual Calendar
- B. Policy Review
- C. Board Linkages – World Café
- D. Communication of Board meetings
- E. BOE self-evaluation

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Accept Minutes – December 12, 2011 regular meeting.
- B. Required Approvals

*Vouchers Payable/Treasurer's Report*

*Void:* None.

*Paid:* 179925 – 180015, 180025 – 180183, and 180198 – 180237.

*Budget Transfer:* None

*Personnel Recommendations:*

**I. Separations:**

Jodie Nowakowski – English Teacher – DAHS – effective January 25, 2012

**II. Leaves:**

None

**III. Transfers:**

None

**IV. Appointments:**

Terri Lattimer – 50% Department Chair Special Ed – DAHS- reduction from 100%

Barb Domer – 50% Department Chair Special Ed – DAHS – replacing 50% of T. Lattimer

Melisa Kirchstein – School Nurse – DAMS – replacing Laura Marty

Tyler Rauls – Wrestling Assistant Coach – DAHS – replacing Damon Martinson

**V. Reassignments:**

Julie Harrier – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> MultiGrade – MES – effective 8/2012- replacing Colleen Fogo

**VI. Other:**

None

- C. Accept Monitoring Reports
  - 1. Administrative Monitoring Status Reports

On a motion by Hirsch, seconded by Lund, and passed unanimously by voice vote, the Consent Agenda was approved.

- 6. Linkages

Board Members: Ad Hoc Committee members Jan Berg, Steve Tenpas and Kate Lund met to discuss the process for board self-monitoring. The committee will report on their progress at the next Board meeting.

Administration: Bales reported that the DAWN group will host a school board candidate forum on February 6 at the Community and Senior Center at 6:30 pm. The district received a thank you on behalf of the Senior Center to an elementary student who made a donation to the Center. Bales will keep the Board informed on work being done with the Effective Educator model and on the State School Accountability System. He will be attending an upcoming meeting with the Legislative chairs of the State Education Committee. He will also be attending a local Economic Development committee meeting on January 10.

- 7. Press Verification

The press was given the opportunity to clarify any proceedings or notes.

8. Convene into Closed Session

Miller moved, Palus seconded, to move into closed session at 7:01 pm. The motion was adopted by the following vote: *Aye* – Berg, Miller, Tenpas, Lund, Palus, Choi and Hirsch. *No* – None. *Absent* – Rodekamp and Paulson.

9. Conduct Closed Session Business

While in Closed Session, the Board conducted business in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)(e).  
[Review counsel input regarding negotiating health benefits for the DASD]

10. Convene into Open Session

On a motion by Miller, seconded by Lund and passed by a unanimous show of hands the Board of Education reconvened into open session at 8:16 pm.

No Board action was taken as a result of the closed session.

11. Adjourn

The Board of Education adjourned at 8:18 pm on a motion by Palus, seconded by Miller, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

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DASD BOE President

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Date