

**DeForest Area School District
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 8, 2019 – 6:00 pm.**

1.	<p>Convene</p> <p>President Jan Berg called the April 8, 2019 regular meeting of the DeForest Area School District's Board of Education to order at 6:02 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, Gail Lovick, Linda Leonhart, Jeff Miller, Spencer Statz, and Steve Tenpas. 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>Gail Lovick recited the DeForest Area School District's Mission and Vision Statements.</p>
2.	<p>Approval of the Agenda</p> <p>On a motion by Coker, seconded by Esser, and passed unanimously by voice vote, the agenda was approved.</p>
3.	<p>Showcasing Schools</p> <p>A. Herb Kohl Foundation Award Recipients - Gwen Boettcher and Julie Bernards</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Superintendent, Eric Runez introduced and congratulated the Herb Kohl Foundation Award Recipients, High School Agriculture Teacher, Gwen Boettcher, and Middle School 7th Grade Teacher, Julie Bernards. Fellowship recipients are educators who have been chosen for their superior ability to inspire a love of learning in their students, their ability to motivate others and their leadership and service within and outside the classroom. The Board joins Runez in congratulating and acknowledging the great work of Boettcher and Bernards.</p>
4.	<p>Superintendent Business</p> <p>A. Referendum Results - next steps</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Superintendent Runez acknowledged that the referendum passed and explained next steps for design and planning. This will include a communication plan which will feature an email address and a website that provides updates during the design and construction process. A projected timeline will be developed and shared with the Board. Board member, Tenpas, thanked staff and administration for their work and dedication during the referendum process.</p> <p>B. Update on future plans and recommendation for Morrisonville Elementary School</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Runez explained that plans have begun to determine the next steps for</p>

	<p>Morrisonville Elementary School now that the referendum has passed. All families who may be attending Morrisonville will be invited to attend a meeting to learn about transition plans and provide feedback on the process for the eventual closure of the school. The meetings are scheduled on April 15 and April 23, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, at Morrisonville Elementary School.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Board Education</p> <p>A. Special Education Updates - Director of Student Services, Dr. Sara Totten</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Director of Student Services, Dr. Sara Totten provided a special education update focusing on student needs, IEP (Individualized Education Plans) content and alignment, and the service delivery model, current and moving forward. Totten has been conducting content reviews, IEP Writing Workshops, and professional development for student services staff. Regarding service delivery, the goal is to increase certified special education teacher time with students through shifts in building schedules.</p> <p>B. Presentation and preliminary recommendation by the Insurance Advisory Committee and Director of Human Resources, Nate Jaeger</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Director of Human Resources, Nate Jaeger, and Insurance Advisory Committee member, Kathy Williams presented information on the preliminary recommendation from the committee regarding a potential shift to a high deductible insurance plan. The committee's goal is to provide a sustainable health insurance benefit for employees. Premium rates have been escalating, resulting in a consideration to move towards a high deductible insurance plan, paired with a health savings account. The recommendation would allow insurance providers to remain the same. Employees will have a choice between a HDHP (High Deductible Health Plan) with an HSA (Health Savings Account), HMO (Health Maintenance Organization) or POS (Point of Service) plan. Informational sessions are being conducted to educate employees on the components of the HDHP and HSA Plan. Board approval will be requested at the April 22 Board meeting. The open enrollment window will be from May 5 to May 31.</p> <p>C. National School Board Association (NSBA) conference update - Brian Coker and Gail Lovick</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Board members, Brian Coker and Gail Lovick provided information from the National School Board Association conference that they attended.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Board Business & possible Board action</p> <p>A. Presentation and consideration of R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizens Monitoring Report</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Director of Instructional Services, Dr. Rebecca Toetz, Program Coordinator for Teaching and Learning, Joe Parker and Director of Student Services, Sara Totten presented the monitoring report for Board Policy R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizen. They provided data related to the identified indicators. Much of</p>

	<p>the data was collected from the Student Perceptions Student Engagement Survey.</p> <p>On a motion by Tenpas, seconded by Miller, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to accept the R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizens Monitoring Report, as presented as making reasonable progress with the exceptions noted. The motion 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 the R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizens Monitoring Report, as presented as making reasonable progress with the exceptions noted. The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.</p> <p>Summary Statement: The Board shares an interest in receiving training, similar to what staff is learning on equity and social justice. The Board welcomes changes to indicators as needed moving forward, especially in the areas of social-emotional learning. And the Board appreciates the recognition of missing data and identifying possible next steps.</p>
7.	Public Input - None.
8.	<p>Board Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Accept Minutes - March 11, 2019 B. Dane County New Teacher Project - Shared Service Contract 66:0301 <p>Lovick made a motion, Brunelle seconded, to approve the Board Consent Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p>
9.	<p>Superintendent Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Personnel Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Separations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jill Weber - 5th Grade Teacher DMS - retirement effective 6/12/2019 William Champeau - Consumer Science Teacher DMS - retirement effective 6/12/2019 Scott Siemion - Math Teacher DMS - retirement effective 6/12/2019 Jennifer Jacobs - Educational Assistant DMS - resignation effective 3/22/2019 Bryon Holmes - Cleaner WES - resignation effective 4/5/2019 Bonita Brossard - Recess/Lunch Monitor WES - resignation 4/12/2019 II. Leaves: None. III. Transfers: None. IV. Appointments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peggy Hughes - Food Service Assistant MES - replacing Kate Stewart Lori Coomes - Associate Principal DMS - replacing Tamara Weisbrod Bethany Buenning - FACE Teacher DHS - replacing Kari Diederich Tamara Weisbrod - Special Education Teacher WES - new position

	<p>V. Reassignments: Megan Hayford - ELL Teacher DHS - replacing Michael Bauman Michelle Geary - Administrative Assistant Instructional Services DO - replacing Lori Greiner Kristin Pachal - Library Media Specialist DHS - replacing Margaret Wachowiak</p> <p>VI. Other: None.</p> <p>B. Vouchers Payable/Treasurer's Report Paid: 200534-200654, 181901775 - 181901957, 201800714 - 201800828</p> <p>Leonhart made a motion, Lovick seconded, to approve the Superintendent's Consent Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p>
10.	<p>Linkages - Leonhart reported on the Week of the Young Child. April 24 there will be a presentation on early childhood brain development and return on investment at the Public Library at 6:00 pm. Newborn nesting kits are available for families in need from the Public Library. Coker invited the Board to a ribbon cutting next Tuesday, April 16 at 3:00 pm at REG. The Board self-evaluation survey will be made available this week.</p>
11.	<p>Press Verification The press was given the opportunity to clarify any proceedings or notes.</p>
12.	<p>Board Debrief</p>
13.	<p>Adjourn The Board of Education adjourned at 8:24 pm on a motion by Lovick, seconded by Coker and passed unanimously by voice vote.</p>
	<p>DASD BOE President Signature:</p>
	<p>Date:</p>