

DAVENPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes

MISSION STATEMENT: The Davenport School District, in collaboration with parents/guardians and the community, will provide a caring, safe and stimulating environment that empowers students to persevere and become contributing members and problem solvers in our diverse and ever-changing world.

Meeting: Quarterly School Board Meeting

Location: Davenport High School Library

Date: Monday, October 12, 2015

Start Time: 6:00 PM

Focus: Student Achievement, Annual Plan Goals, & M & O Levy Planning

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call Jolene Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Board members in attendance were Jolene Erickson, Heather Panke, Merilla Hopkins, Paula Furman and Brad Sweet. Also present were Superintendent Jim Kowalkowski, Middle and High School Principal Chad Prewitt, Elementary Principal Courtney Strozyk Business Manager Leslie Oliver and District Secretary Cindy Duenwald. Mr. Joe Coppersmith, Director of Maintenance and Operations and two other visitors were in attendance.

Flag Salute Jolene Erickson led the flag salute.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Kowalkowski informed the directors of the addition of two items to the agenda – items 4 and 5 listed below.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes: September 28, 2015
2. Approval of donation of a Galaxy Popcorn Machine by a parent group led by Jodi Piper and Becky Guhlke to the Davenport School District. Value: \$1,871.99
3. Consent to overnight trip by Karen Brewster and Drama Students; October 23, 2015.
4. Recommendation to Hire HS Assistant Wrestling Coach: Mr. Adam Collins
5. Resignation of JH Basketball Coach: Mr. Jeff Gunning

Merilla Hopkins made a motion to approve the additions to the agenda as well as approving the consent agenda; Brad Sweet seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

PRESENTATION

1. PLC Goal's – Mr. Chad Prewitt & Mrs. Courtney Strozyk
 - MAP testing is an indicator created to show the needs of each student; faculty takes this information and creates individual goals for struggling students.
 - Mr. Prewitt provided a power point presentation to the board showing how they compare MAP scores and goal setting data.
 - Google classrooms have been created so that ALL involved can access the worksheets containing current data on the students.
 - As testing is done throughout the year the administration and staff agree that we don't want to over-test – so each test must be valuable to a student's specific gain.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. 2015-16 Annual Plan Updates/Overview

- Goal Area #5: Facilities
 - Long range planning for facilities
 - ✓ Middle School Secretary Desk: we are looking to have this completed by end of December 2015. Currently a metal gate is being looked at for possible installation in this area.
 - ✓ Modular Classrooms: we are applying for a grant hoping to offset the cost of the need for two new modular classrooms in the future.
 - ✓ Replacing high school gymnasium roof: we temporarily repaired some leaks in the gym; long term the flat areas and dome portions of the high school gym along with the 3-tab roofing above the high school will need eventually need to be repair/replaced.
- Goal Area #6: Fiscal
 - ✓ Showed gain in budget this fall; actual FTE in October was 593.
 - ✓ ASB yearend account information is available on the website; monthly reports to the board at a future meeting.
- Goal Area #7: Personnel
 - ✓ The administrators are working on written hiring procedures
- Goal Area #8: Board Procedure
 - ✓ The board will decide at a later time whether or not to use the WSSDA self-evaluation tool.
- Goal Area #9: Technology
 - ✓ Training for staff on the chrome books occurred August 2015.
 - ✓ Update and replace technology in the HS classrooms: we have ordered and are installing as it arrives; some electrical will need to be upgraded in order to add projectors.
 - ✓ The board asked if we would surplus the old equipment; possibly not as they are so old it may not be necessary.

2. M & O Levy Renewal Planning

- Mr. Kowalkowski and Mrs. Oliver presented information regarding renewal of the M & O Levy.
Discussion topics included:
 - ✓ A quick review of Local Effort Assistance (LEA)
 - ✓ A summary of state funding (Ed Reform)
 - ✓ A review of the resolution and election timelines
 - ✓ The pros and cons of various levy rate options

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Good Things Happening in the District
 - Homecoming Week was a success!
 - ✓ Davenport business's participated; we won the football game; fun week
2. Public Comment:
 - ✓ Nothing at this time

This portion of the meeting is for communication from the public. Patrons wishing to speak on specific items listed on the agenda or on other items should first be recognized by the board chair and give his/her name before beginning comments to the board. A limit of 3-5 minutes per patron may be imposed. The Board's role will be to receive comments. Items may be referred to the Superintendent or another administrator for further research and/or follow-up. Note: This public comment time is not for complaints regarding a specific school district staff member. Please see the superintendent or a board member for the specific process.

BOARD INFORMATION EXCHANGE

WSSDA Convention November 19-22, 2015

Mr. Kowalkowski stated that Kristi Bell and Deanna Fitzpatrick would be going to the convention in November. They will

be leaving on Wednesday so that they can attend the Board “Boot Camp” before the official convention begins. They will come home Saturday afternoon.

ADJOURMENT

At 7:15 PM Jolene Erickson adjourned the meeting.

Board Chair

Secretary