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## **DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

### **Board of Education**

Monday, March 7, 2016

7:00 p.m.

Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room

### **MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karen Conover  
Lawrence Finkbeiner  
Dale Green  
Andrew Hall  
Kim Lindsay  
Mark McGlashen  
Kathleen Sudia

**STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVES  
PRESENT:**

Ryan Myers  
Samantha Hunsinger

**ADMINISTRATION:**

Eric Lieske, Superintendent of Schools  
Kevin Brown, Assistant Superintendent  
Holly Halabicky, Executive Director of Student Services  
Michelle Edwards, Director of Public Information  
Phil Thom, Director of Operations  
Leslie Young, Director of Business Services  
David Beamer, Athletic Director  
Shelly Fenner-Krasny, Middle School Principal  
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal  
Christine Kuzinski, Hahn Intermediate Assistant Principal  
Lance Harper, Central Elementary Principal  
Natalie Miller, Thomson Elementary Principal  
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal  
Josie Paquette, Middle School Assistant Principal  
Sue Kenkel, High School Principal  
Jennifer Torok, Hill Elementary Principal  
Chris Wilson, Alternative Education Dean of Students

**LEGAL COUNSEL:**

Rob Dietzel, Thrun Law Firm

**STAFF:**

Dawn Hanje, Rachel Loftus, Laurel Munsey, Mike McCollum,  
Tiffany Hopper, Leslye Long, Sue Will, Shannon Kelsey, Anne  
McDonald

**OTHER GUESTS:**

Todd Ferguson (DEF), Andrea Ferguson, Blake Ferguson, Cindy  
Kish (DEF), Ted Gardella (College Board), Debbie Pavone (The  
American Cancer Society)



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- **Recognition of Siple Elementary Head Cook:** The Board recognized Dawn Hanje for her life saving efforts of February 19. On that date special education paraprofessional Laurel Munsey was found choking on a piece of apple in the teachers' lounge. Due to the efforts of head cook Dawn Hanje, who immediately assisted by performing the Heimlich to dislodge the apple, Laurel was prevented from a more serious outcome.
- **Davison Educational Foundation (DEF) Update and Presentation:** DEF President Todd Ferguson provided information regarding the mission of the DEF, its philosophy and how the DEF can offer their support to the Davison Board of Education. DEF Board President presented the Board with the official banner and plaque from The College Board 6<sup>th</sup> Annual AP Honor Roll.
- **Davison Educational Foundation Teacher Mini-Grant Recipients:** The Teacher Mini-Grant Program, provided by the Davison Educational Foundation, funds various projects throughout our district. Assistant Superintendent Kevin Brown presented highlights of this year's mini-grant projects.
- **Davison Educational Foundation Professional Scholarship Recipient:** Last spring the Davison Educational Foundation provided its 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Professional Scholarship Award to Rachel Loftus, DMS/DHS Spanish Teacher. Rachel attended the Blaine Rey Total Physical Response Storytelling Workshop this past summer and reported on her experience and how attending the workshop has had a positive impact on her and her students.

**From the Public:** Visitors were welcomed and invited to address the Board.

- Ted Gardella, Executive Director of The College Board publicly recognized the board for the District's Advanced Placement Honor Roll status.
- Debbie Pavone, The American Cancer Society thanked the board for the District's support through the "Coaches against Cancer" drive. This campaign raised \$6,000.

**Correspondence:** Board Secretary Karen Conover read correspondence received from the Community Foundation of Greater Flint thanking our school district for the contribution to the Davison Community Fund.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

**APPROVAL OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING DATE:** Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Andrew Hall, to set Wednesday, July 13, 2016, 7:00 p.m., in the Cardinal Center Board Room as the date, time, and location for the District's Organizational Meeting. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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**APPROVAL OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS' WEEK RESOLUTION:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Dale Green, a resolution that designates the week of March 7-11 2016, to honor those who serve as school district administrators in Davison Community Schools was presented and approved. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**ADOPTED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR PHASE TWO OF VRF BIDDING (AIR CONDITIONING/HEAT):** Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Lawrence Finkbeiner, the installment of air conditioning will be purchased through an installment purchase agreement with a bank in the amount of \$**1,603,300**. There was discussion. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**APPROVAL OF PROJECT SETTLEMENT FOR CENTRAL ELEMENTARY RENOVATION PROJECT:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Mark McGlashen, a settlement agreement was negotiated on behalf of Davison Community Schools by Thrun Law Firm attorney Kirk Herald and on behalf of Diekema Hamann Architecture, Inc./Diekema Hamann Engineering, Inc. by the Sullivan, Ward, Asher and Patton Law Firm attorney Craig Thompson. This settlement agreement addresses issues, concerns and oversight regarding the Central Elementary renovation project. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Andrew Hall, to gratefully accept the following contributions and to direct the superintendent to express the Board's gratitude in writing:

- Davison resident Adrienne Allen donated \$25 to the Davison High School Athletic Department to help fund facility/equipment needs for the baseball program.
- Davison Community Schools employee/parent Michelle and Billy Edwards generously donated a 2004 CTS Cadillac valued at \$1,875 to the Davison High School Automotive Technology Program. This donation provides students hands-on training and work experience with systems analysis and mechanical repairs.
- Davison Community Schools parent Jennifer Johnson, in memory of Arthur Johnson, generously donated a Cremona Bass (Model # SB-2 ¾, Serial # 81948) to the Davison High School Music Department for student musicians to learn to play.
- Flint resident Sam LeFavour donated \$200 to the Davison High School Athletic Department to help fund facility/equipment needs for the baseball program.
- The Davison High School Athletic Department received an anonymous donation of 26 basketball uniforms valued at

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approximately \$3,000 to be worn by our student athletes for all special event games.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

### **From the Superintendent**

- Superintendent Lieske expressed appreciation to the Board of Education members for adopting the resolution to recognize School Administrator's Week.
- Parent University is scheduled for March 16.
- District's mini-QAR's are off to a great start. Hill Elementary was the first to host one this year.
- State Superintendent Whiston will visit the Davison Community School District on Tuesday, March 29 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. The agenda will be distributed soon.

**From our Student Representatives:** Ryan Myers and Samantha Hunsinger reported on events of interest at Davison High School.

**Superintendent Evaluation Process:** Kathy Sudia reminded board members of the timeline and document for the superintendent's evaluation.

### **Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board (from Board members)**

- The Board of Education made comments.

### **Future Meeting Date:**

Monday, April 18, 2016  
7:00 p.m.  
Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room  
1250 N. Oak Road  
Davison, MI 48423

**CLOSED SESSION REGARDING A STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER FOR STUDENT #1:** Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, to convene into closed session at 8:10 pm for the purpose of discussing the first student disciplinary matter. The student's parent requested the matter be heard in closed session, which is allowed under Section 8[b] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Andrew Hall, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:25 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**STUDENT EXPULSION (Regarding the first disciplinary matter heard.):** Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Lawrence Finkbeiner, that the first student brought before the Board tonight be

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expelled from Davison Community Schools due to a violation of the student code of conduct. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**APPOINT ROB DIETZEL, ATTORNEY WITH THRUN LAW FIRM, AS HEARING OFFICER IN THE MATTER OF STUDENT #2:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Mark McGlashen. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**CLOSED SESSION REGARDING A STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER FOR STUDENT #2:** Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Andrew Hall, to convene into closed session at 8:27 pm for the purpose of discussing the second student disciplinary matter. The student's parent requested the matter be heard in closed session, which is allowed under Section 8[b] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:** Moved by Lawrence Finkbeiner, supported by Andrew Hall, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 9:35 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**STUDENT EXPULSION (Regarding the second disciplinary matter heard.):** Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Kim Lindsay, that the second student brought before the Board tonight be expelled from Davison Community Schools due to a violation of the student code of conduct. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Kim Lindsay, to adjourn the meeting at 9:38 p.m. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

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Karen Conover, Secretary  
Davison Board of Education