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# **DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

# **Board of Education**

Monday, October 5, 2015 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: 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 Shelly Fenner-Krasny, Middle School Principal Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal Lance Harper, Central Elementary Principal Natalie Miller, Thomson Elementary Principal Josie Paquette, Middle School Assistant Principal

Sue Kenkel, High School Principal

Jennifer Torok, Hill Elementary Principal Theresa Wendt, Gates Elementary Principal

**STAFF:** Kristen Slattery (DEA), Ken Andrews, Jennifer

McArthur, Shanna Brittain

OTHER GUESTS: Mike Frawley, Jacob Sopczynski, Amy Brewer, Cora

Brewer, Dean Brewer, Ian Brewer, Kara McArthur, Makayla McArthur, Aundrea Brittain, Braelynn Camp, Michelle Young, Theresa Unger, Shannon Walls, Liz

Grenfell, Trevor Edwards

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#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The regular meeting of the Davison Board of Education was called to order by President Kathleen Sudia at 7:01 pm in the Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room.

<u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:</u> The pledge of allegiance was led by Gates Elementary Girls Scout Troup 71424 along with scout leader Amy Brewer and Principal Theresa Wendt.

**ROLL CALL:** Kathy LaFeldt read the roll. Members present: Karen Conover, Lawrence Finkbeiner, Dale Green, Andrew Hall, Kim Lindsay, Mark McGlashen and Kathleen Sudia. Student member present: Samantha Hunsinger. Student member absent: Ryan Myers.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved by Dale Green, supported by Andrew Hall, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

<u>APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:</u> Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Larry Finkbeiner, to approve the consent agenda which included items 1-4 below:

- 1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the open session minutes for the previous regular meeting of September 14, 2015. Approval of the minutes for committee meetings held since the September 14, 2015 board meeting.
- 2. <u>Approval of Bills for Payment:</u> Approval of payment of the bills for September:

AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, Food Service Fund, and Student Activity Fund \$ 1,084,556.20

- 3. <u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the month of September.
- 4. **Monthly Personnel Report:** Approval of personnel activity for the period of September 10 through September 30, 2015.

The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no and 1-abstention (Dale Green) due to a conflict of interest in regard to the Personnel Report.

### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **Special Presentation**

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 2015 Audit Report: Accountants Mike Frawley and Jacob Sopczynski with the firm Yeo and Yeo presented a "draft" (due to recent legislative changes and requirements on school districts) overview of the recent audit of our school district's financial records and practices. Each Board member received a draft copy of the 2015 audit report.

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

 Davison parent Shannon O'Dell-Walls shared concerns regarding the recent case of viral meningitis in one of the district's elementary buildings.

**Correspondence:** There was no correspondence to be read.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

**ACCEPTANCE OF AUDIT REPORT:** Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Mark McGlashen, to accept the year 2015 independent audit report conducted by the firm of Yeo and Yeo as presented earlier in the evening. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF SUMMER MARCHING BAND CAMP: Jim Schuster, director of instrumental music at DHS, requested approval for the annual high school summer marching band camp. This year's camp is scheduled for July 31 through August 5, 2016 at Echo Grove Camp in Leonard, Michigan. Information regarding the overnight trip was provided. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Andrew Hall, to approve the summer marching band camp as recommended. The motion was carried with a vote of 7- yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF DAVISON HIGH SCHOOL BAND AND ORCHESTRA SPRING TRIP TO HERSHEY AND PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA: Jim Schuster, director of instrumental music at DHS requested approval of an overnight trip for Davison High School Band and Orchestra students to travel to Hershey and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on April 13-17, 2016. Details regarding the overnight trip were provided. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Larry Finkbeiner, to approve the high school band and orchestra student trip as requested. There was discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS:** Moved by Dale Green, supported by Kim Lindsay, to gratefully accept the following contributions and to direct the superintendent to express the Board's gratitude in writing:

 Laurel James, on behalf of members of the Davison Assembly of God, donated 10 backpacks filled with school supplies to Siple Elementary for students who are in need.

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- Meijer of Davison generously donated a variety of school supplies including notebooks, folders, pencil boxes, crayons and pencils to the Davison Literacy Team. These items were passed out to incoming students at their Back to School Blast booth.
- The Davison Library donated children's books to the Davison Literacy Team to promote the "Reading 20 minutes before bed gets your child ahead" campaign. The books were given away to students at the Annual Back to School Blast.
- State Farm Companies Foundation donated a \$500 Good Neighbor Grant Award to Siple Elementary on behalf of State Farm agent and Davison parent Doug Halabicky for his hours of volunteer service. The money will be used for Siple's student mentoring program, where Mr. Halabicky serves as a student mentor through the Kids Hope program.

The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

## From our Superintendent:

- Superintendent Lieske informed the Board of the Balanced Calendar Committee
  work being done in preparation for the 2016/2017 school year. A monthly
  Balanced Calendar Bulletin will be distributed throughout the community
  providing an updated status as plans develop.
- Turnout for September's Parent University meeting was lower than expected.
  The following topics planned for the next meeting will hopefully spur an increased
  attendance: Understanding the workings of social media, drug and alcohol
  awareness, how to deal with your child's day-to-day challenges and how to get
  your child excited about reading.
- At tonight's Board of Education meeting both the written and electronic formats were provided. In November, the Board will discontinue the use of the written format and move to the electronic format. The electronic agenda will be ready for review each Friday afternoon prior to the Monday board meeting.
- Count Day is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7. We expect to have a slight increase in student enrollment based upon the preliminary numbers reported.

## From our Student Representatives:

Samantha Hunsinger reported on events of interest at Davison High School.

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# Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board (From Board members):

There were no comments from the Board of Education.

# **Future Meeting Date:**

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, November 2, 2015

7:00 p.m.

Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room 1250 N. Oak Road Davison, MI 48423

<u>CLOSED SESSION:</u> Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, to convene into closed session at 7:51 pm, for the purpose of discussing the first student readmission request as provided under Section 8[b] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**REGULAR SESSION:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Kim Lindsay, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:15 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF STUDENT READMISSION: Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, that the student brought before the Board this evening be conditionally reinstated to Davison Community Schools under terms of a probationary contract as determined by the administration. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Dale Green, to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen D. Conover, Secretary Davison Board of Education

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