

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
Monday, August 24, 2015 5:48 PM
Delano Public Schools
Independent School District #879, Delano Minnesota

1. Call to order

A. Record of members present or absent

Members Present: A. Johnson, C. Milano, L. Seguin, S. Baker, C. Black and M. Larson

Members Absent: R. Durick

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Upon motion by C. Milano, seconded by S. Baker, the Board of Education approved the meeting agenda. Motion passed.

3. Work Session

M. Schoen shared the district's Year 3 Strategic Work Plans and the results of his performance review. M. Schoen and board members discussed the Board Retreat which took place on August 19. Mr. Voight, new middle principal, introduced himself to the board. In addition, M. Schoen reviewed policies.

Upon motion by C. Black, seconded by L. Seguin, the Board of Education called the meeting to recess at 6:53 p.m. Motion passed.

A. Johnson called the meeting out of recess and to order at 7:02 p.m.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Program Review - Bond Referendum Presentation

6. Consent Agenda

Upon motion by M. Larson, seconded by L. Seguin, the Board of Education approved the consent agenda. Motion passed.

A. School Board Minutes

1. July 27, 2015

B. Financial Affairs

1. Current Budget Status with Year-to-Date Adjustments

2. Investment Transactions

3. Wire Transfers

4. Minnesota Liquid Asset Fund

5. Cash Report

6. Revenue Report by Fund
7. Expense Report by Fund
8. Expense Report by Program
9. Expense Report by Object
10. List of Bills Presented for Payment

7. Resolution for Acceptance of Gifts

Upon motion by M. Larson, seconded by C. Milano, the Board of Education approved the Resolution for Acceptance of Gifts. Motion passed.

8. Personnel Matters:

Upon motion by M. Larson, seconded by S. Baker, the Board of Education approved the Personnel Matters. Motion passed.

- 9. Public Comment: School patrons are given the opportunity to address the school board regarding items that are not on the agenda. All patrons will be asked to state their name and address for the record. Mr. David Heider, 5150 Country Circle, Greenfield, MN 55357. His son has DMD, a form of muscular dystrophy. Mr. Heider stated that he feels the IEP process at Delano Public Schools is not adequate. He added that no one challenges the process at DPS and individuals blame the laws that are in place and tell parents they need to challenge the IEP laws. Mr. Heider stated he would like to make a difference by helping make changes to the IEP process. He stated that his son's IEP was delayed 18 months because no one in the district could accurately make a DMD diagnosis. Mr. Heider asked the Delano School Board to follow up with him in the future to see if any progress is being made in IEP designation, process and laws. This follow-up will be facilitated by the superintendent or his designee.**

10. Administrative Reports

A. Superintendent

Superintendent Schoen reported on the 2015 Bond Referendum.

B. Principals:

1. Mr. Voight

Mr. Voight was absent.

2. Dr. Heil

Dr. Heil reported that high school staff attended Professional Learning Communities (PLC) training in June. He added that J. Olson will begin to teach computer science courses, including app design, in 2015-16 classes. J. Finn will teach Engineering Design and Development which will include teaching students to develop standards and from those standards patent an idea. Dr. Heil reported that the legislature has changed some state testing requirements. He added that the PLAN test has been removed and the ACT test must be offered to students, but it is not mandatory. DHS will facilitate the MCIS instead of the PLAN. Dr. Heil shared that fall sports have begun, the MS Play will perform at the beginning of September and Band Camp was well attended this summer. He added that the high school has finished hiring staff for the 2015-16 school year.

3. Mr. Schuler

Mr. Schuler reported that DES received the ADSIS grant which allows the hiring of three additional paraprofessionals for the 2015-16 school year. These paraprofessionals will be utilized in Reading, Math and as a behavior interventionist. He added that last year DES had 860 students and beginning this year are up to 880 students. Mr. Schuler added that the art room has been repurposed into a 4th grade classroom, and there continues to be space concerns at DES. He shared that DES has hired 17 new staff members so far. Mr. Schuler reported that Kindergarten Orientation will be held on Thursday, August 27 and DES will welcome new teachers during this week as well.

C. Business Manager

Ms. Reeder reported that the annual audit will take place the week of October 5. In addition, the preliminary levy amount has been approved and will be finalized in December 2015.

D. Community Education Director

Ms. Johnson reported that the 2015 Fall Community Education brochure will be mailed to district residents soon. She added that elementary school enrichment classes will be held at DMS this year due to space limitations at DES and adult CE offerings will be blended with senior programs with no age restrictions. Ms. Johnson stated that Opening Doors and Delano Community Education will partner together this year to offer local programming to individuals with disabilities. She shared that the final Concert in the Park was this week. Ms. Johnson reported the dates and times of the DMS play, HS Musical Junior; Tiger Kids Club fall programming is full and they are looking for additional staff; Destination ImagiNation is holding an open house on September 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the MS Media Center; Summer in the Park program was successful this year; CE added a 2nd session to the Fishing Clinic; WEE Tiger Preschool has 82 students registered for the 2015-16 school year; Early Childhood Screening has several scheduled dates and times throughout the school year and the ECFE Open House, to be held on September 24, allows parents and their children to explore classrooms and meet the teachers.

11. Board Reports

A. MAWSECO

A. Johnson reported that the Board met on July 28. She explained that MAWSECO is the Cooperative that oversees the district's special education needs. A. Johnson spoke about specialized positions, i.e. psychologists, that go unfilled at MAWSECO mostly due to wage differences between public and private sector positions. M. Schoen expressed the idea of entering into an MOA with these types of positions. A. Johnson stated that MAWSECO's building project is behind schedule due to an asbestos abatement project, but they are hoping project to be completed around end of November.

B. Wright Technical Center

R. Durick was absent.

C. Delano Area Sports Arena (DASA)

M. Larson reported DASA Board met on August 23. They discussed ice preparation and budget. M. Larson stated they will break even with capital fund rebuild after repaving parking lot and replacing cooling towers. He added that they are working on a contract with the school district which includes ice times and usage.

12. Old Business

- A. **Second read of policies due to substantive and/or legal reference changes:** Policy 410-Family and Medical Leave Policy, Policy 413-Harassment and Violence, Policy 425-Professional Development, Policy 506-Student Discipline, Policy 509-Enrollment of Nonresident Students, Policy 526-Hazing Prohibition, Policy 805-Waste Reduction and Recycling.

Upon motion by C. Milano, seconded by S. Baker, the second read of policies due to substantive and/or legal reference changes were approved. Motion passed.

- B. Second read of NEW Policy 427-Workload Limits for Certain Special Education Teachers.
Upon motion by L. Seguin, seconded by C. Black, the second read of NEW Policy 427-Workload Limits for Certain Special Education Teachers was approved. Motion passed.

13. New Business

- A. Service agreement with WOLD Architects and Engineers
M. Schoen stated that the final agreement was reviewed with project representatives and legal counsel.
Upon motion by M. Larson, seconded by C. Milano, the service agreement with WOLD Architects and Engineers was approved. Motion passed.
- B. Service agreement with ICS Consulting
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Upon motion by C. Black, seconded by C. Milano, the service agreement with ICS Consulting was approved. Motion passed.
- C. First and only read of Policy 616-School District System Accountability due to no changes and/or updates in yearly review.
Upon motion by L. Seguin, seconded by M. Larson, the first and only read of Policy 616-School District System Accountability was approved. Motion passed.
- D. Girls' Hockey Beginning 2016-2017
Upon motion by L. Seguin, seconded by C. Black, a Delano Girls' Hockey Program will begin in 2016-17. Motion passed 5-1. Voted for: Johnson, Seguin, Milano, Baker, Black. Voted against: Larson.
- E. Resolution Limiting Open Enrollment and Adopting Standards for Accepting and Rejecting Open Enrollment Applications
Upon motion by S. Baker, seconded by L. Seguin, the Resolution Limited Open Enrollment and Adopting Standards for Accepting and Objecting Open Enrollment Applications was approved. Motion passed 5-1. Voted for: Johnson, Seguin, Baker, Black, Larson. Voted against: Milano.
- F. Approve Surplus Items for Sale and/or Disposal
Upon motion by C. Black, seconded by S. Baker, the Surplus Items for Sale and/or Disposal were approved. Motion passed.

14. Adjournment

Upon motion by L. Seguin, seconded by C. Milano, the meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m. Motion passed.