REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 13, 2019

Chair Ron Pagel called the regular meeting of the Dover-Eyota Board of Education, District #533, to order at 6:02 PM in the Dover-Eyota High School Media Center. Other Board members present: Don Andring, Julie Austinson, James Johnson, Jessica McFarlan, Linda Nelson, Matt Wrubel, Superintendent Mike Carolan, and Student Board Member Lexi Schaefer. Absent: none. Also in attendance were High School Principal Todd Rowekamp, Elementary Principal Dr. Jeanne Svobodny, Activities Director/Assistant Principal John Ostrowski, Teaching & Learning Director Nick Truxal, Business Manager Gary Betcher, Administrative Assistant Tara Dabelstein, Tom Flaig, Katie Kellen, Eric Aeschliman, Wes Bussell, Donna Bussell, Dominic Kellen, Sara Behnken, and Peter Dodds.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve the Amended Agenda

A motion was made by Member Austinson, seconded by Member Johnson, and carried unanimously to approve the amended agenda.

Visitors to Address the Board

Ryan Scheevel, Varsity Softball Coach, addressed the Board to discuss the Baseball/Softball field renovation needs and to answer questions the Board Members may have. Mr. Scheevel stated that the number one reason the renovations were brought up and needed are for the overall safety of the fields. The grass is lumpy and at times dangerous, which can affect the game. Mr. Scheevel shared that the way the softball field is drug, a crown is created between the infield and the grassy outfield. This crown acts as a ramp and the balls can take bad bounces due to this and the lumpy outfield. Many of the players are wearing face masks for protection against bad bounces due to the poor field conditions. Mr. Scheevel shared that grounds keeper, Cheryl Gardner, has put a lot of work into the fields trying to make them safer. She has filled holes and done her best to maintain the fields.

Mr. Scheevel shared that the fields are used three to four nights a week between the Dover-Eyota Softball/Baseball programs and the community team. Mr. Scheevel realizes that the quotes that were received came in a lot higher than expected, but speaking on behalf of the Softball program, they are looking for a partnership with the school on getting this project started. Supt. Mike Carolan shared that both baseball and softball have been successful in getting grants, and wanted to share the idea of possibly splitting the projects with the Board. Stating that if numbers come through on the bus garage the school could move forward with the Softball field this year and work on the baseball fields next year. Supt. Carolan would like to see something get done vs. nothing, stating that the softball field will come in less expensive than the baseball field and would be a good starting point for the project.

Member Johnson asked if more safety equipment is used on our fields versus being used on other fields and if there have been any injuries due to the poor field quality. Mr. Scheevel shared that he is not aware of any injuries in the Dover-Eyota program, and that the Varsity players wear facemasks as a precaution. He cannot speak for injuries in the community program, but he did share that DE Storm requires all their players to wear masks at all time.

Consent - Approve Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Member McFarlen, seconded by Member Johnson, and carried unanimously to approve the April 8, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Consent - Approve Regular District Bills and Special District Bills

With Member Andring abstaining, a motion was made by Member Wrubel, seconded by Member Nelson, and carried unanimously to approve the Regular District Bills totaling \$440,917.77, and the Special District Bills totaling \$76,961.00.

Approve the Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Member Wrubel, seconded by Member McFarlen, and carried unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report with liquid assets totaling \$5,003,960.99, and the April electronic transfers.

RECOGNITIONS

On behalf of the School Board, Chair Pagel recognized Student School Board Member Lexi Schaefer for her service and presented her with a token from the Board.

Dr. Jeanne Svobodny recognized two 5th grade students, Talan Rabe and Cooper Kellen, and Mr. Aeschlimann, Elementary Physical Education Instructor. The two 5th grade students won national recognition for No Bullying. They were selected as the 'No Bully Student Upstanders" of the month. They were mentioned in an article on the No Bullying Foundation newsletter as well as their website. Mr. Aeschlimann is the teacher who recommended them for this recognition. Mr. Aeschlimann stated that they have good sportsmanship and have really shown this in Physical Education. The boys have really been upstanders for their entire education (not just recently). Dr. Svobodny gave them both the article that was published nationally as well as the article that was in the *Eagle*. She shared that they will be getting hats on the awards day at the end of the year as well. Dr. Svobodny finished by saying they both have been good role models the whole time they have been in the elementary, and gave them each a gift card.

Supt. Michael Carolan recognized the Keller-Schaefer family for the delicious food they provided for the Board Members.

Mr. Todd Rowekamp recognized a group that isn't officially under the School District, but works exclusively to the benefit of the students, the Post Prom Committee. Mr. Rowekamp read his e-mail before the Board thanking the Post Prom Committee for all of their efforts in making Prom safe and fun night for the students.

CABINET COMMUNICATIONS

Activities Director/Assistant Principal – John Ostrowski shared the following: 1) Mr. Ostrowski recognized Mr. Tim Andring, both boys and girls Track Coach, for his efforts in the True Team Track Meet that Dover-Eyota hosted on May 7th. This was the second time of a two-year cycle for Dover-Eyota to host. There were 15 teams present, and Mr. Tim Andring as both boys and girls coach, lined up workers and coaches. Mr. Ostrowski shared that Dover-Eyota was represented very well on that day and Triton will host next time.

2) Schaefer Academy sent a written request to co-op in track with Dover-Eyota. Mr. Ostrowski looked to be sure that by creating a co-op it will not push Dover-Eyota into a higher class. A concern is that Dover-Eyota left good co-op with St. Charles, due to low numbers involved in program. Dover-Eyota's track in a really good spot right now with our own track, Mr. Ostrowski believes they have reached out to other schools as well, and wants to help but is reluctant to say yes, because we got out of the St. Charles co-op for a reason and our numbers have increased since then. 3) Mr. Ostrowski spoke with Chair Pagel, asking him to sign the approval with Rochester Hockey Co-op. Stewartville had petitioned to be in the co-op, due to that all parties are required to resign the paperwork showing agreement that Stewartville is now part of the co-op.

<u>Teaching & Learning Department</u> – Mr. Nick Truxal shared the following: 1) MCA testing is done, however, results cannot be shared until September. There were no major computer glitches during testing, only snow day glitches. 2) Concurrent enrollment courses that have been approved: Spanish III and Spanish IV as well as Computer Applications II. Mr. Truxal shared that Mrs. Brooke Hasleiet has been approved but the course has not yet been approved. 3) Thank you to Southeast Minnesota Initiative Foundation for their \$20,000 grant, which helped pay for the new Fountas & Pinnell materials. 4) Mr. Truxal invited Peter Dodds, Teaching & Learning Specialist, to speak before the Board.

Mr. Peter Dodds shared the following: 1) The in classroom development over the year shows 174% growth, breaks down to a total of 72 times an individual teacher said they learned and had grown in this process. 2)

Mr. Dodds is getting training on the math curriculum, CPM. 3) This summer he will be getting social emotional training for the Elementary school through a week-long responsive course. 4) Next year three teachers will be doing cross content reading support: Rebecca Rudquist, Steven Tauer, and John Pittenger, Mr. Dodds will be working closely with them through this process.

Elementary School Principal – Dr. Jeanne Svobodny shared the following: 1) She could not be more proud of how the teachers have implement the Fountas and Pinnell reading system that was implemented in Pre-Kindergarten through 3rd grade this fall. The 4th and 5th grade will begin using it next year. It is hard to change curriculum but Mr. Nick Truxal and Mr. Peter Dodds, who worked tirelessly with the teachers, really helped the teachers comfort level. Member Johnson asked if the teachers would agree that this curriculum was a good investment, and Dr. Svobodny said that yes they would. The biggest indicator being the satisfaction and how much the children love the books. The teachers do not have to coerce the students to read, they enjoy the material. Member Johnson noted the tremendous improvement he has seen in his daughter's reading with this curriculum. 2) During her observations that she has done on the non-tenured staff, Dr. Svobodny observed teachers teaching reading, with guided reading, which is a new component. Dr. Svobodny stated that it was wonderful, and she was reminded of the quality teachers we have in the district. They are flexible, willing to learn and put the time and effort in and their attitudes are very professional.

3) The elementary is super busy with fun things at the end of the year, field trips and music performances.

High School Principal – Todd Rowekamp shared the following: 1) The information on vaping was pretty interesting. The information provided was very good however he did hear some concern that some kids thought presenter was promoting vaping, however, the information was very clearly showing the dangers of vaping. 2) Feedback was positive from the 9th grade Respect Retreat. It was nice to see the information and Mr. Rowekamp was pleasantly surprised how favorable the students see that activity. 3) Staffing need for next year, Mrs. Karen Schultz, Business Instructor is retiring, this position will be filled by Mrs. Stephanie Holliday, and Ms. Stephanie Porter has resigned which leaves us in need of a new Agriculture teacher. The position has been posted and there have been some interested candidates applying. 4) Dover-Eyota proctored the ACT test on April 2nd. The results are back, and Mr. Rowekamp did analysis to see where students were scoring the highest. 42 eleventh graders took the test, with there being a good mix of full-time Dover-Eyota students, full-time PSEO students, and both part time PSEO/Dover-Eyota students. The 5 areas they test in are: Math, Science, English, Reading, and STEM (combination of Math and Science). The highest scores were in Math; 19 of the 42 students scored their highest in that area. The next highest test area was Reading with, 14 students, and the highest average was in STEM. The official report will come in the fall and Mr. Rowekamp with have more information when that comes.

District Feedback Form - Complimentary e-mail was received for the Music Department.

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Lexi Schaefer shared the following: 1) Thanked the School Board for the opportunity, sharing that she has learned so much through this experience. 2) She would be leaving early for Choir Concert. 3) Prom was a ton of fun, especially at Post Prom 4) Sports are slowly ending. 5) The Senior Boat Cruise Friday, May 17th. 5) The last Band Concert was Friday and the last Choir Concert was happening that night; there are a lot of emotional seniors. 6) Peer Helpers had a lot of great activities during Prom week. 7) During Earth Week the Environmental Club sold stickers. 7) RCTC finals are this week.

Chair Pagel shared the Board's appreciation for Student Board Member Lexi Schaefer's time serving on the Board and the input she brought. (A Picture of all Board Members with Lexi was taken).

REPORTS

Bus Garage Project Update

Supt. Michael Carolan did not have a big update for the Board, but shared that he had talked with Mr. Buck Gosse and they are close to getting bids out. The situation they are running into is where the bus garage is sitting and where it boarders the street. There is a hang-up on the distance to the road and new structure, they are working on this with the City. Supt. Carolan is hoping for a resolution by the end of the week stating that the window has not closed on the timeline, but it is getting tight.

<u>First Reading of the Revised 2018-2019 Revenue & Expenditure Budget (Attachment A) — Business Manager Gary Betcher went through the document, clarifying line items and answering questions for the Board.</u>

<u>First Reading of the Draft 2019-2020 Preliminary Revenue & Expenditure Budget (Attachment B)</u> – Business Manager Gary Betcher went through the document, clarifying line items and answering questions for the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

Approve contract with IEA for Environmental Health & Safety Management Services

A motion was made by Member Andring, seconded by Member Wrubel, and carried unanimously to approve the contract with IEA for Environmental Health & Safety Management Services.

<u>Final Approval of the High School Marching Band Trip to Black Hills, SD and Colorado Springs, CO</u>
A motion was made by member Austinson, seconded by Member McFarlen, and carried unanimously to approve the Marching Band Trip.

NEW BUSINESS

Grant Diplomas to the Class of 2019

A motion was made by member Andring, seconded by Member Johnson, and carried unanimously to grant diplomas to the Class of 2019 (Attachment C), pending completion of requirements.

Consent - Accept Resignations and Hires and Donation

A motion was made by Member Andring, seconded by Member Wrubel, and carried unanimously to accept the:

<u>Retirement</u> of GWEN AHERN after 29 years of service and MARYROSE KELLER after 30 years of service; The Board congratulates the two on their fabulous careers and stated that they will be missed.

A motion was made by Member Austinson, seconded by Member Wrubel, and carried unanimously to accept the:

Resignations, JAMES BERG as 9th & JV Football Coach; STEPHANIE PORTER as Agriculture Instructor and FFA Adviser:

<u>Leave of Absence:</u> VICKY HUMBLE for the 2019-2020 school year.

<u>Hires</u>: <u>SACC Program Aides</u> LEXY WILLIAMS, MAKENZIE MENTLICK; <u>Varsity Volleyball Coach</u> SAM HANLEY; <u>Summer School Instructors</u> CHELSEY JOHNSON, NICOLE WOLF, CHRISTINE KOBS, AMANDA KRUGER; <u>Summer School Instructional Assistants</u> ANN FRERICKS, JORDAN JENSEN, KATIE KAHN, KEELI REDIG, SHAUNA YOUNG;

<u>Donations</u>: \$251.50 from PATT for elementary Math Wizards t-shirts; \$100 from DARCY & JENNIFER HIGGINS for Senior Trip;

HEARING OF REPORTS

Supt. Carolan relayed the following: 1) Mr. Bryan Berg, Technology Director, will be sending out communication our on the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program. Stating that each year we get more fine-tuned with fewer bumps in the road. 2) The Lead in Water Testing public meeting was attended by two people, one of those being the Mayor of Eyota. 3) Teacher Appreciation Week was recently celebrated and t-shirts were given to all staff. The t-shirts reflected the No Bully motto, "At Dover-Eyota we are kind". 4) The first DEEA negotiation meeting was held. 5) The Legislator has pulled the idea of starting before Labor Day from discussions, so we will not be looking at option that much anymore. 6) Looking into a District Facebook page to help expand communication to parents and community. It may be time to try it, with the Administrators of the site being Supt. Carolan, the school Principals, and Ms. Laura Berndt. 7) Chair Pagel asked what Board Members will be on stage during graduation. It was decided that Member Johnson and

Chair Pagel will help handout diplomas. 8) Supt. Carolan mentioned the Employee Recognition Breakfast in June and invited the Board to attend.

Board of Education Committee Reports & Communication

Andring – Attended the Band concert the other night, and his wife was at the Choir Concert, the Band and Choir do an excellent job. Started negotiations with DEEA, and thanked Student Board Member Lexi Schaefer for her hard work. Congratulations to 29 & 30 year teachers; it will be hard to replace them at one time.

Nelson – Absent (left at 7:30 pm)

Austinson – No meetings or events. Armfuls of thanks for the teachers, and their willingness to learn new things, try new things, their openness to feedback, and the amazing coaches. Dover-Eyota is successful due to the open-mindedness of our staff.

Johnson – Negotiation meeting, and the beginning of that process. Also attended a curriculum meeting, where they are looking at an investment in the next budget that may change some of the numbers. Congratulations to long term teachers, their investment in time and the community. Thank you to Student Board Member Lexi Schaefer, wished her luck, stated she was a great member of this team, and will leave big shoes to fill for next year.

McFarlen – No meetings. Her children had Mrs. Maryrose Keller as an educator and it was a real privilege to work with her. Congratulations on her retirement.

Wrubel – Mrs. Gwen Ahern and Mrs. Maryrose Keller were both teachers for his daughter, congratulations and thank you for a tremendous 30 years. Negotiations kicked off positively and he is looking forward to collaborating with teachers. Wrapping up bus garage project, and no other meetings.

Pagel – The facilities study done at HVED should be here tomorrow. Congratulations to retirees, and the class of 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Wrubel, seconded by Member McFarlen, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM.

Julie Austinson, Clerk TD

DOVER-EYOTA PUBLIC

Independent School District #533

2018 - 2019 REVENUE & EXPENDITURE BUDGET

REVISED May 13, 2019

FUND	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	NET
GENERAL FUND	\$11, 393,572	\$11,466,080	(\$72,508)
Unassigned	\$10,377,547	\$10,577,657	(\$200,110)
H & S / Integ. / Unemp.	\$35,217	\$42,974	(\$7,757)
Long Term Facility Maint.	\$393,307	\$226,050	\$167,257
Oper. Capital	\$267,696	\$213,560	\$54,136
Restricted / Assigned	\$319,805	\$405,839	(\$86,034)
FOOD SERVICE	\$602,080	\$655,867	(\$53,787)
COMMUNITY ED.	\$406,222	\$434,216	(\$27,994)
Reserved - CE	\$194,039	\$204,979	(\$10,940)
School Readiness	\$172,621	\$196,413	(\$23,792)
EC Family Ed.	\$37,144	\$29,869	\$7,275
Undesignated	\$2,418	\$2,955	(\$537)

DOVER-EYOTA PUBLIC

Independent School District #533

2019 - 2020 REVENUE & EXPENDITURE BUDGET

PRELIMINARY May 13, 2019

FUND	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	NET
GENERAL FUND	\$11 ,363,583	\$11,247,317	\$116,266
Unassigned	\$10,266,940	\$10,560,379	(\$293,439)
H & S / Integ. / Unemp.	\$44,916	\$42,247	\$2,669
Long Term Facility Maint.	\$456,814	\$201,996	\$254,818
Oper. Capital	\$268,753	\$165,375	\$103,378
Restricted / Assigned	\$326,160	\$277,320	\$48,840
FOOD SERVICE	\$602,000	\$674,627	(\$72,627)
COMMUNITY ED.	\$398,900	\$446,900	(\$48,000)
Reserved - CE	\$185,539	\$211,516	(\$25,977)
School Readiness	\$173,054	\$202,066	(\$29,012)
EC Family Ed.	\$38,307	\$30,118	\$8,189
Undesignated	\$2,000	\$3,200	(\$1,200)

Graduation Class of 2019

Tyler Ryan Aeschlimann

Maya Naji Al-Saeed

Shelby Lynn Anderson

Colton James Bale

Carter James Begin

Salem Grace Birkholz

Isaac Allan Bushman

Jaxson Cale Cameron

Paige Elizabeth Cooper

Bianca Marie Dodd Shaylee Ranae Elliott

Christian Alexander

Fernandez

Brady James Glynn

Madison Faith Golish

Grace Elizabeth Groski

Lindsey Therese Hansen

MaKenna Marie Hart

Andrew Paul Hewlett

Caitlin Brooke Higgins

Chyann Faye Hidlebaugh

Breanna Rose Hoffman

Spencer Reid Honsey

Carter Forest Horman

William Brian Ideker

Cade Thomas Jakobson

Logan Brady Johnson

Jacqueline Anne Kalmes

Ericka Michelle Keeran

Ashley Jane Kendall

Michelle Lorelynn Kent

Lexie McKenna Kromminga

Benjamin Thomas Kullot

Abigail Agnes Lee

Grace Marie Magnuson

Carly Elizabeth Mauseth

Destiny Fayth Merchlewitz

Teigen Timothy Miller

Adriahna Rose Nesler

McKenna Marie Nelson

Sierra Louise-Tuyet Nguyen

Franklyn Lee Nienow

Breanna Christine Ohl

Marcus John Otomo

Wyatt Robert Petersen

Sierra Joy Peterson

Taven Michael Thomas Poole

Kayla Marie Price

Jaqson David Reimers

Olivia Jane Rhone

Josie Raye Richards

Nakiya Haley Ruggeberg

Lexi Keller Schaefer

Alyssa Jennifer Schafer

Christina Marie Schmidt

Olivia Marie Schmit

Halle Kristine Schott

Grady Isaac Schwartz

Cole Henry Seelhammer T

aris Jade Seisler

Braydon Scott Stephans

Jack Thomas Studer

Coleton Thomas Swee

Hope Marie Swee

Devon Alberto-Clair Torres

Jaedon Kane Trogstad

Katherine Grace Troke

Chyenne Marie Tyler

Drake Thomas Vangness

Simon Michael Ver Kuilen

Grace Michelle Wahlstrom

Claire Louise Waletzki

Bailey Christopher Wallace

Margaret Pauline Waller

Madeline Joy Weis

Hailee Hannah Welsh

Madison Joy Werle

Aubrey Nicole Whitcomb

Marie Sigred Woslager