

BOARD RETREAT MINUTES

Tuesday, August 21, 2012

Chair Pagel called the Retreat of the Dover-Eyota Board of Education, District #533, to order at 6:25 PM in the Dover-Eyota High School Media Center. Board members present: Don Andring, Julie Austinson, Dan Johnson, Gene Loftus, Ron Pagel, Todd Peterson, Molly Rieke, and Superintendent Bruce Klaehn. Absent: none. Also in attendance were Elementary Principal Jeanne Svobodny, High School Principal Todd Rowekamp, Assistant High School Principal/Activities Director John Ostrowski, Curriculum Director Jane Johnson, Food & Nutrition Director Carrie Frank, Technology Director Bryan Berg, Elementary Custodial Director Wayne Ellringer, High School Custodial Director Gary Franzen, Business Manager Gary Betcher, Administrative Assistant Chris Berg, and Bill Lisser.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

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

2011-12 Goal Reporting

Led by Curriculum Director Jane Johnson, the Cabinet members each provided a summary of the results of their 2011-2012 goals.

2012-13 Strategic Plan Review

Supt. Klaehn provided a summary of the key initiatives for the 2012-2013 school year.

“State of the District”

Supt. Klaehn reviewed the “State of the District” document with the Board Members which highlighted the district’s accomplishments over the last twelve years.

Long-Range Brainstorming

Supt. Klaehn talked about current and projected enrollment figures and the need to continue effective and efficient use of the building spaces. He also listed the capital outlay items completed this year, which will be removed from the list, and indicated that additional future capital outlay needs will be added. The Board discussed and will continue to hold conversations about a possible new track, location of the early childhood program, and future plans for the Dover building. Mr. Klaehn sought Board opinion about possible expansion of the One-to-One program and it was felt that we should keep the program at grades 9-12 for the present time. Online learning was also discussed by the group.

Set Special Meeting for Proposed 2012 Pay 2013 Levy Certification

A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member Rieke, and carried unanimously to set a Special Board meeting for Monday, September 24, 2012 at 7 PM to consider adoption of the Proposed 2012 Pay 2013 Levy Certification. Additional agenda items may include the second reading of the Student Achievement Report and, an initial architectural report on the Dover building.

As he will be going off the Board in December, Member Gene Loftus took the opportunity to thank the entire Cabinet for their dedication to the district. He stated that the annual retreat is his favorite meeting every year as he seeks the work and attitudes displayed by the leaders of the district. He wished the public could have been present to see the work being done and the accomplishments achieved.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Loftus, seconded by Member Peterson, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 PM.

Don Andring, Clerk
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