

DECATUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Decatur, Michigan

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Upjohn Media Center
May 16, 2016

Members present: Baushke, Elmore, Grosvenor, Hemenway, McLeese, Southworth, Kennedy

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A community member asked about the vacant teacher position and also asked if he could get an update on the technology costs.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Hemenway, seconded by Southworth to approve the April 18, 2016 Regular Meeting, the April 23, 2016 Special Meeting, and both May 9, 2016 Special Meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

Moved by Cindy, seconded by Kennedy to amend item #15 to read Closed Session - Superintendent Evaluation and Personnel Issues.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda is approved as printed.

PAYMENT OF BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

Moved by Grosvenor, seconded by Hemenway that the following bills and accounts be paid in the indicated amounts:

General:	\$348,999.68
Food Service:	\$ 36,728.29
2010 Debt Retirement B	\$ 750.00
Activity:	\$ 20,388.19

Ayes: Grosvenor, Hemenway, Southworth, Baushke, Elmore, Kennedy, McLeese

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Grosvenor, seconded by Southworth that the consent agenda is approved as presented:

Varsity Girls Basketball Coach Hire - Jim Tuls
JV Girls Basketball Coach Resignation - Jim Tuls

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

VAN BUREN I.S.D. GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2016-2017

Moved by Baushke, seconded by Southworth that the Van Buren ISD General Fund Operating Budget for the 2016-2017 school year be supported.

Ayes: Hemenway, Southworth, Baushke, Grosvenor, Elmore, Kennedy, McLeese

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

MOWING SERVICE

Moved by Southworth, seconded by Kennedy that B and C Enterprise is contracted to mow all areas surrounding the main school complex, bus garage, and athletic fields for the amount of \$24,876 and spring and fall clean-up for the amount of \$3,905; not to exceed a total of \$28,781 from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR START DATE

Dr. Creagan stated that the start date for the 2016-2017 school year will be Tuesday, September 6, 2016.

YEAR-ROUND SCHOOL

Dr. Creagan stated that the VBISD has discussed Year-Round School, also known as a balanced calendar, with local superintendents. He stated that all schools in our ISD would have to change before it would be approved. It is still in the discussion stage.

STAFF LAY-OFFS – NON-CERTIFIED

Moved by Grosvenor, seconded by Kennedy that the attached resolution that reduces one Instructional Aide and reduces the hours of another Instructional Aide as of June 30, 2016 is approved.

Ayes: Southworth, Baushke, Grosvenor, Hemenway, Kennedy, McLeese

Nays: Elmore

MOTION CARRIED 6-1

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matt McLouth reminded the board that the Senior Recognition Program was tomorrow night and Graduation will be June 2nd. He invited everyone to attend.

BOARD COMMENTS

Joan stated that she was glad B&C got the mowing bid because they've done a nice job in the past. Jim commented on the transgender restroom issues that have been in the news.

CLOSED SESSION - PERSONNEL ISSUES

Moved by Kennedy, seconded by Hemenway to go into closed session at 7:54 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

Personnel issues were discussed.

Moved by Hemenway, seconded by Southworth to come out of closed session at 8:10 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

BUYOUT OFFER

Moved by Hemenway, seconded by Kennedy to give Dr. Creagan authority to offer a buyout of \$5,000 per employee with a minimum of three employees accepting the offer.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

CLOSED SESSION - SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION

Moved by Kennedy, seconded by Elmore to go into closed session at 8:11 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

The Superintendent's evaluation was discussed.

Moved by Southworth, seconded by Baushke to come out of closed session at 8:36 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT EXTENSION

Moved by Elmore, seconded by Hemenway that the superintendent's contract be extended through June 30, 2019.

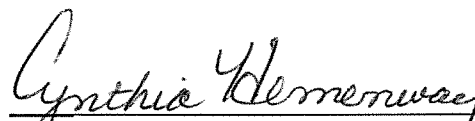
Ayes: Baushke, Grosvenor, Hemenway, Southworth, Elmore, Kennedy, McLeese

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0


Cynthia Hemenway, Secretary
Board of Education