

DECATUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Decatur, Michigan

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Upjohn Media Center
March 20, 2017

Members present: Elmore, Hemenway, Southworth, Baushke, Copeland, Miller
Members absent: Kennedy

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

VFW POST 6248 & LADIES AUXILIARY TEACHER OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION

Dr. Creagan introduced the teachers and talked about some of the reasons why they earned this award.

Elementary – Michelle Allett
Middle School – James Long
High School – Zachary Gumper

POWER LIFTING COMPETITION RECOGNITION

Alex Wheeler, a student, read a letter from Mr. Grosvenor recognizing the following students for the accomplishments:

Madison Pauley, Taylor Hemenway, Shelby Miller (3rd place), Makenna Keller (9th place), Brady Haas, Jacob Southworth, Kohl Matlock (2nd place), Darren Hemenway and Rose Matimore.

WRESTLERS QUALIFYING FOR STATE RECOGNITION

This is being postponed until the next meeting to provide more of the wrestlers the opportunity to attend.

ROBOTICS TEAM UPDATE

Matt McLouth stated that our school received a science technology grant to start the program. Ten students volunteered to be a part of the Robotics Team. There were approximately 40 schools represented at each competition. The team received Best Rookie Team award. They had a very successful first year.

MASTER BOARD MEMBER AWARD - DAVID MCLEESE

David McLeese was recognized by the Michigan Association of School Boards for his outstanding achievements as a school board member. He received the award for accumulating over 425 total credits.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Hemenway, seconded by Southworth to approve the February 20, 2017 Regular Meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda is approved as printed.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

PAYMENT OF BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

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

General:	\$310,568.08
Food Service:	\$ 35,888.59
Activity:	\$ 4,324.17

Ayes: Elmore, Hemenway, Southworth, Miller, Copeland, Baushke

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Spring Coaches
- Interim Elementary Principal Hire - Mike Shembarger

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

FOOD SERVICE PRESENTATION

Representatives from Chartwells presented information on DPS Food Service employees becoming Chartwells employees. Dr. Creagan stated that it would be about a \$10,000 savings.

2017-2018 FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY (FSMC) CONTRACT RENEWAL

Moved by Southworth, seconded by Elmore that the District's Food Service Management Company contract be renewed for the 2017-2018 school year.

Ayes: Hemenway, Southworth, Elmore, Miller, Copeland, Baushke

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

SEMI-ANNUAL BORROWING APPLICATION

Moved by Southworth, seconded by Hemenway that the Semi-Annual Borrowing Application be approved as submitted.

Ayes: Southworth, Elmore, Miller, Hemenway, Copeland, Baushke

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

DAVIS ELEMENTARY RECEIVES HIGH RANKING

Dr. Creagan received notice from the School Reform Office (SRO) stating Davis Elementary School is in the second highest quartile of all previous Priority Schools. Steven Curry and Dr. Doll from SRO will be visiting our school next week to discuss interventions applied since Priority identification and ways the challenges were mitigated. This is a huge honor for our school. S.R.O was very impressed with our achievement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A teacher asked about food service employees transferring to Chartwells and how that would affect them if Chartwells loses the bid with us.

BOARD COMMENTS

None

CLOSED SESSION - STUDENT HEARING

Miller was excused from attending closed session.

Moved by Southworth, seconded by Elmore to go into closed session at 8:18 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Moved by Grosvenor, seconded by Hemenway to come out of closed session at 8:37 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Moved by Southworth, seconded by Elmore that the middle school student is permanently expelled from Decatur Public Schools with no further services offered.

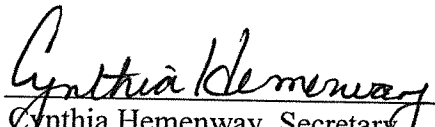
Ayes: Hemenway, Copeland, Southworth, Elmore, Baushke

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0


Cynthia Hemenway, Secretary
Board of Education