MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DELAVAN-DARIEN
DECEMBER 12, 2022

Vice President Giovanna Moses called the regular meeting of the Delavan-Darien School District Board of Education held at the School Administration Center to order at 6:00p.m.

Board Members Present: D. Salas, T. Schutt, K. Hermann, G. Moses, J. Dutton

Board Members Absent: D. Henriott

Administrators Present: District Administrator J. Sorbie, Business Administrator A. Klein, Director of Pupil Services M. Burke, Principals B. McCarthy, K. Pickel, J. Karedes, M. Rick, Associate Principals B. Fossler

The press was represented by Mike Hoey, *The Delavan Enterprise*.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by D. Salas to approve the agenda as presented and T. Schutt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by T. Schutt and seconded by D. Salas to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2022 regular/closed session meeting. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

DDHS Student Council Report: President Delanie Thone reported on "Hunter Fight Off Hunger Challenge" and Mr. Karedes added that they finished second in the challenge. Student Council is working on Winter Week and the Sadie Hawkins dance planned for February 4, 2023. There will be dress up days for the three days before winter break – pajama day, Frosty Blue (Comet Apparel), and holiday sweater/holiday color day.

U.S. Presidential Scholar Nominee: Principal J. Karedes introduced Annabella Schluneger as one of twenty state-level nominees for the national U.S. Presidential Scholars Program. Annabella qualified by nomination of the Wisconsin State Superintendent, Jill Underly, for outstanding scholarship while overcoming hurdles or challenges. She now completes the next level application, where a review committee of qualified individuals will evaluate all applications based on their academic achievement, personal characteristics, leadership and service activities, and an analysis of their essay. Approximately 650 candidates will be named semifinalist and those names will then be sent to the Commission for further review. In April, the Commission on Presidential Scholars will review the applications of all semifinalist based on the same criteria used by the review committee. The Commission will select up to 161 U.S. Presidential Scholars at that point. All scholars are honored for their accomplishments during the online National Recognition Program. U.S. Presidential Scholars are awarded the U.S. Presidential Scholars medallion each June. Congratulations from the Board.

2023 Wisconsin State Senate Scholar: Principal J. Karedes introduced Delanie Thone as a delegate to the Wisconsin State Senate – Senate Scholars Program. Admission to the program is highly competitive and is limited to 33 academically exceptional high school juniors and seniors from throughout the state of Wisconsin. Delanie will be living in Madison for a week while working with state senators and learning how a bill becomes a law, intern as a messenger for a Senate Floor Session, work through drafting a bill, and learning about both the governor's role and that of the judiciary facet of our state government. Congratulations from the Board.

Phoenix Honor Roll Trimester One: Dr. Sorbie shared the list of names for Phoenix Middle School honor roll for trimester one. Congratulations!

Citizens Comments: None

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by D. Salas and seconded by J. Dutton to approve the Manifest of Bills dated December 12, 2022; gifts of $200 for choir trips from Delavan-Darien Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, Delavan, WI and $500 to Construction Club from Lakeland Builders Association, Elkhorn, WI; staff retirements for the 2023-2024 school year for Mary Dilla – special education teacher and Martin Speth – agri-science teacher; Fine Arts fundraiser; and FFA Leadership Conference overnight request. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

Reconsideration of ECCP Course Denial: Principal J. Karedes stated that Alex Anclam had previously submitted many courses and the Board denied two of the submitted courses as the prerequisite for one of the classes was college sophomore status or consent of the instructor which he did not have. Since the last board meeting Mr. Anclam has received consent of the instructor and would like the Board to reconsider the approval of the Political Science course. A motion was made by K. Hermann and seconded by D. Salas to amend previous motion and approve student to take the Political Science course. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

School Calendar for the 2023-2024 School Year: District Administrator J. Sorbie reviewed the 2023-2024 school calendar representing consideration of student needs, staff needs, and community needs. Dr. Sorbie stated that we kept the two-hour release for Homecoming as that went over very well last year in getting everyone excited about Homecoming activities. There are also two additional early release days for elementary only for parent/teacher conference time to give all parents an opportunity to meet with their child's teacher. A motion was made by D. Salas and seconded by T. Schutt to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

DDHS New/Change of Course Offerings for the 2023-2024 School Year: District Administrator J. Sorbie presented nine new courses of which four are new, four courses that will be offered as transcripted credit courses and one course with a name change only. The four new courses are Overview of Special Education, Introduction to Educational Practices, Autos II and Small Engines II. The four courses that are adding transcripted credit are English 11 TC, Pre-Calculus TC, Calculus 1 TC and Calculus 2 TC. The course with a name change only is SpecEd Pathway TC to Supporting Students with Disabilities. A motion was made by D. Salas and seconded by K. Hermann to approve the high school new/change course offerings for the 2023-2024 school year. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

Safety Drill Evaluation Approval: A motion was made by K. Hermann and seconded by J. Dutton that the Delavan-Darien School District Board of Education has reviewed and certify that a written evaluation of each hard lockdown/imminent threat drill for all Delavan-Darien School District buildings in the district has been reviewed and approved by the Board of Education. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

Turtle Creek Elementary Playground Equipment: District Administrator J. Sorbie explained that the playground equipment in the main playground area of Turtle Creek dates back to the construction of the building. At the time of construction, Turtle Creek was built to be a K-5 school, but today as a 4K-2nd grade building, the equipment in most cases is too large and/or hazardous in some cases. In addition, the equipment is starting to wear out. A quote was provided last year allowing the District to properly budget for this improvement. The Board was provided with a rending of the modular play structure

being purchased and costs thereof. A motion was made by D. Salas and seconded by G. Moses to purchase new Turtle Creek playground equipment as outlined. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

Financial Statement for November 30, 2022: Business Administrator A. Klein reviewed the financial statement. Operating cash on hand $4,082,724.60, funds accessed on business line of credit $0.00 and net operating funds $4,082,724.60. The purchasing card usage for the month ending October 31, 2022 was $57,404.38. A motion was made by K. Hermann and seconded by J. Dutton to approve the financial statement for month ending November 30, 2022. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

Reader Farm Land Rental Agreement: Business Administrator A. Klein stated that Board member T. Schutt checked on rental costs and suggested $200 an acre instead of $198 an acre. A motion was made by T. Schutt and seconded by K. Hermann to approve the $200 an acre and look into selling the property after this lease expires. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

Darien Elementary Air Conditioning w/McKinstry: Business Administrator A. Klein stated that he has been working with McKinstry to get air conditioning in Darien Elementary using the one-time federal dollars. McKinstry has requested a letter of intent to get subcontractors and seek outside bids. A motion was made by T. Schutt and seconded by K. Hermann to move forward with McKinstry. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

First Reading NEOLA Board Policies: 0100, 0161, 1213, 1421, 2260.02, 2414, 2460.03, 2522, 2700.01, 3120.04, 3121, 3213, 3425, 4120.04, 4121, 4213, 4425, 5113, 5340, 5517.01, 7440.01, 8146, 8740: A motion was made by T. Schutt and seconded by G. Moses to approve the first reading of NEOLA Board policies listed. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote of 5-0.

District Administrator Report: District Administrator J. Sorbie stated that per Board policy she has made technical corrections to NEOLA Board policies as stated in your packets.

Future Agenda Items: None

Next Meeting Date: Regular Meeting – January 9, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Vacancy School Board Seat Interviews – January 16, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting – February 13, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by D. Salas and seconded by K. Hermann to go into closed session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c) to discuss and take action, if appropriate, on employment, promotion, or compensation for employees. Roll call vote of all ayes was taken.

The Board went into closed session at 6:51 p.m. and held discussions. No motions were made in closed session and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Karen Logterman, Secretary Dave Henriott, President