

Dunkerton Community School  
January 16th, 2012  
Regular Monthly Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m.  
ICN Room

Present: President Alen Nagel, Vice-President Tony Gamerdinger, Cindi Rigdon, Jon Cox, KirbyMarquart, Superintendent Jim Stanton

Guests: Dawn Best, Cari Cox, Kim Lingenfelter, Ronda Rathe, Becky Reichen, Robert Speed, Elaine Simenson, Jeff Thompson, Shelley Wach, Julie Woods-Elem. Principal, Mike Cooper-HS Principal

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion was made by Gamerdinger, second by Rigdon to **approve the agenda**. Motion carried: 5-0

Welcome to guests and visitors.

President Al Nagel recognized Dawn Best (4821 E. Dunkerton Rd.). Mrs. Best presented a list of all current rural residents of the Dunkerton School District.

Motion made by Cox, second by Marquart to **approve consent agenda**. Motion carried: 5-0

HS Principal Mike Cooper presented written report and updated Bd. Members on Hawkeye Community College decision to no longer offer on-site college courses at Dunkerton Schools. Courses our students are interested in will be offered on home campus and at Independence site from 7:00am – 9:50 am; will fit with the Dunkerton HS schedules.

Elem. Principal Julie Woods presented written report and invited interested Bd. Members to attend DON'T graduation this Friday; reminded members of 1<sup>st</sup> Preschool Committee mtg. Thursday evening at 6:30pm.

Superintendent Jim Stanton presented brief construction project update

Jim Stanton gave Legislative update highlighting recent reports from Governor Terry Branstad & DE Director Jason Glass and how their plans (if legislatively approved) may affect the Dunkerton students and staff.

Superintendent Stanton presented update on SINA Implementation plans.

HS Principal Mike Cooper shared his plan regarding the selling of Summer Passes to Dunkerton students and families for summer sport activities. Pass prices will coincide with Iowa Star Conference Administrators recommendation to raise Activity Admission fees for summer events.

Jim Stanton presented update with certified enrollment changes relating to our 5year old preschoolers. SBRC Application for funding has been submitted and we are waiting on approval from the Dept. of Education.

Superintendent Stanton gave brief update on Iowa Core Curriculum.

Motion made by Marquart, second by Rigdon to accept the resignation and early retirement request of Secondary Science teacher Jeff Thompson effective at the end of the current school year. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion made by Rigdon, second by Cox to accept the resignation of Nancy Loucks as PT Special Ed. Para-Educator. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion made by Gamerdinger, second by Marquart to accept the resignation of Ashley Smock-Chase as PT Special Ed. Para-educator. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion made by Gamerdinger, second by Rigdon to approve the hiring of Trent Cooper as JH Boys Track Coach for this 2012 season. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion made by Cox, second by Rigdon to hire Noel Happel as PT Special Ed. Para-educator. Motion carried: 5-0

Motion made by Marquart, second by Rigdon to **move into closed session** at 7:44 pm. to discuss personnel. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion made by Gamerdinger, second by Rigdon to **move out of closed session** at 8:34 pm. Motion carried: 5-0

Motion made by Gamerdinger, second by Cox to approve the resignation of Robert Neblock as Head Custodian. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion made by Rigdon, second by Marquart to accept the resignation and retirement pkg. of Julie Woods as Elem. Principal at the end of this current school year.

Superintendent Stanton and members of Negotiations Team presented report on opening offers discussed at their last meeting. Next Negotiations meeting will be sometime after January 25, 2012.

Superintendent Stanton stated no New Money Report available at this time.

Motion made by Rigdon, second by Gamerdinger to establish Feb. 20, 2012 as date for Public Hearing regarding FY 2013 Budget for Dunkerton Community Schools. Motion carried: 5-0 This meeting will be rescheduled due to scheduling conflicts.

Motion made by Gamerdinger, second by Cox to establish Feb. 20, 2012 as date for Public Hearing regarding 2012-2013 Dunkerton School Calendar. Motion carried: 5-0

Board members Kirby Marquart and Jon Cox have agreed to represent the Dunkerton School Board on the SIAC Team; replacing Joe Stafford and Chris Gibson.

Following short break, members reviewed 700 Series of current Board Policies.

Policy 704.5: discussion held

Policy 705.1: discussion held

Policy 706.1: Payroll Periods- Motion made by Marquart, second by Rigdon to change: Employees shall be paid on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of each month (not 25<sup>th</sup>) for all pay periods Sept. – Aug. This will reflect same wording used when referencing pay date with all Payroll Policies. Motion carried: 5-0

Policy 711.1: discussion held

Policy 711.6: discussion held

Motion made by Cox, second by Rigdon to approve review of all policies/changes. Motion carried: 5-0

Superintendent Jim Stanton updated members on status of ESEA Waiver and invited all to attend meetings on Tues., Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> at AEA 267 site. Public is invited and he has posted information at various sites; staff emails, local papers, websites etc... to “get the word out”.

Motion made by Gamerdinger, second by Rigdon to adjourn at 9:29 p.m. Motion carried: 5-0.

Next regular meeting will be Monday, February 20th, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the ICN Room.

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Alen Nagel, President

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Amy Morley, Board Secretary

\* These minutes are unofficial until approved at the next board meeting.