

Dunkerton Community School

October 18, 2023

Board Meeting 5:00 p.m.

High School Library-Entrance #3

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Directors: President Kirby Marquart, Chad Wolfensperger, Andy Snyder, Dan Knebel and Elizabeth Downs. Superintendent Dan Fox, AD/Associate Superintendent Kory Kelchen, Elementary Principal, Patty Foster, Secondary Principal, Hannah Corbin, Board Secretary/Treasurer Kelly Zahrt.

Also Present: Wyatt Fettkether, Addison Shaner and Karen Van De Walle.

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by President Kirby Marquart.

Roll Call.

Public Comment: None.

Motion made by Snyder, second by Downs to approve the agenda; all ayes.

New Business

Motion made by Downs, second by Snyder to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes, Bill Listing, Financials and Personnel; all ayes.

Community/Program Presentations: FFA Advisor Karen Van De Walle and students Addison Shaner and Wyatt Fettkether presented their plans for the National Convention November 1-2nd in Indianapolis and the fresh fruit upcoming fundraising activity that will delivery in December.

Associate Superintendent Kelchen informed the Board that he would have a track update in the upcoming months.

Principal Corbin discussed October 9th PD with keynote speaker Kim Bearden who engaged the teachers with some rejuvenation and a reminder of their significant, powerful role in the lives of the students we serve. She also informed the Board of one on one meeting will all secondary staff to get a picture of what is taking place in classrooms and what kind of support our staff needs. She discussed a new cell phone policy that will roll out the policy/pocket holders on November 2, after staff PD day. Staff is gearing up for Conferences to be held October 24 & 26th.

Principal Foster presented to the Board that Preschool-third grade students and staff went to the Dunkerton Fire Station for Fire Safety/prevention week. Collaborative teams spent time digging into the Fall reading assessment data. Teachers dug into classroom management and spent time developing "look fors" for mentor/mentee observations. She also indicated that they had their first 7 Mindsets assembly on Friday, October 13th. Teachers nominated students who exemplified this month's mindset – Everything is Possible! Parents of award winners were invited to attend the assembly and they had a great turnout. She also stated that during the week of Nov 6-10th, each grade level will have the opportunity to invite someone to lunch for our "Lunch with a Loved One."

Board President Marquart opened one snow removal bid submitted from Best's Powerhouse. Motioned by Knebel, seconded by Snyder to approve Best's Powerhouse with rates as presented; all ayes.

Motioned by Knebel, seconded by Downs to approve substitute pay rates increase as presented; all ayes.

Motioned by Downs, seconded by Knebel to approve sharing agreements with Waterloo East for Bowling and Soccer, Cedar Falls Schools for Swimming/Diving and Independence for Mock Trial; all ayes.

Motioned by Snyder, seconded by Knebel to approve the cell phone policy change to the student handbook as presented; Marquart – Aye, Knebel – Aye, Snyder – Aye, Downs – Aye, Wolfensperger – Nay; Motion Carried 4-1.

Motioned by Downs, seconded by Snyder to approve the Early Graduation Applications as presented; all ayes.

Raider Pride: Good Luck to the Volleyball Team 2nd Round vs. Starmount and Cross-Country Qualifier at Districts at North Linn, FFA Breakfast went really well and raised a lot of money and the Homecoming Parade went well too.

Next Regular Board meeting is Wednesday November 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Motion made by Snyder, second by Downs to adjourn at 5:50 pm.; all ayes.