

DALLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #327
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
JULY 21, 2016

Mr. Castillo, Vice President called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Mr. Castillo asked Mrs. Blaesing, Secretary to call the roll.

Members answering roll were:

Castillo	Present	Webster	Present
Lionberger	Present	Heidbreder	Present
Sparrow	Absent	Blaesing	Present
Greenhalge	Present		

Also in attendance was Dr. Ryan Olson, Superintendent and Mrs. Alissa Tucker, Principal.

The Board observed a moment of silence.

Natalie Lionberger felt that communication should be made to first grade parents after registration regarding how many first grade classrooms there will be.

Shasta Heidbreder asked about problems with the gym floor and the repair process.

Shasta Heidbreder asked questions regarding the process for checks returned for insufficient funds.

The discussion of class activity accounts was brought up by Shasta Heidbreder.

The consent agenda was presented to the board for review. A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Webster to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Absent	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carries. 6 Ayes, 1 Absent

The bills were presented to the Board for payment. A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Lionberger to approve payment of all bills as presented.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye

Sparrow	Absent	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 6 Ayes, 1 Absent

The date and time for the FY2017 Budget Hearing was discussed. A motion was made by Lionberger, seconded by Webster to conduct the FY2017 Budget Hearing on September 15, 2016 at 7:15 p.m. in the Dallas City Elementary School Library.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Absent	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 6 Ayes, 1 Absent

Brent Sparrow arrived at 7:30 p.m.

The District Internet Use Policy was presented to the Board of Education for review. A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Heidbreder to approve the District Internet Use Policy as amended. Privileges may be lost needs to be in bold type.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

The District Wellness Policy was presented to the Board of Education for review. A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Sparrow to approve the District Wellness Policy as presented.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

The Board of Education discussed the per teacher classroom spending amount. The last three years \$150 per teacher has been approved. Dr. Olson recommended keeping the amount the same. A motion was made by Lionberger, seconded by Heidbreder to approve the per teacher amount for classroom spending as amended. The new amount per teacher for the 2016-2017 school year will be \$200.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

The FY2017 Athletic Director/Coaches Handbook was presented to the Board of Education for review. A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Webster to adopt the FY2017 Athletic Director/Coaches Handbook as presented.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

A copy of the Activities Handbook was presented for review by the Board of Education. A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Greenhalge to approve the Activities Handbook as presented.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

No “engagement letter” has been received from Dennis Koch for audit services. The discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

Shasta Heidbreder asked to discuss the next area of curriculum /textbooks to be looked at. She asked which subjects should be the most important.

Dr. Olson submitted a written Superintendent’s Report which was presented to the Board. Questions from the Board were answered. The board discussed his report.

Mrs. Tucker submitted a written Principal’s Report which was presented to the Board. Questions from the Board were answered.

A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Sparrow, to enter closed session at 9:05 p.m. to discuss items per 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(10)(21) as presented. Roll Call

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Heidbreder, to come out of closed session at 11:05 p.m. Roll Call

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Voice vote, motion carried. 7 Ayes

A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Castillo, to approve the Personnel Report as amended.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

A motion was made by Castillo, seconded by Webster, to approve the Educational Support Personnel Salaries at 4% as presented.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Nay
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 6 Ayes, 1 Nay

A copy of the closed meeting minute review document was presented to the Board of Education. A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Castillo, to open the closed meeting minutes from 03/17/16, 04/15/16, 04/21/16, 05/18/16 and 06/16/16.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

A motion was made by Greenhalge, seconded by Castillo to adjourn at 11:10 p.m.

Castillo	Aye	Webster	Aye
Lionberger	Aye	Heidbreder	Aye
Sparrow	Aye	Blaesing	Aye
Greenhalge	Aye		

Motion carried. 7 Ayes

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 7 p.m.

Superintendent Report

- IL General Assembly finally passed a budget for next year (full year for education and a 6 month budget for everyone else). The Governor then signed it into law yesterday as well. ISBE has already calculated our GSA calculation for next year given the passing of SB 2047. Compared to the amount of GSA we received this past year, we are forecast to receive \$38,322.71 more in FY17. However, if you recall, the original GSA forecast that came out in April showed that we would have received \$58,105.80 LESS than what we had received in FY16 which ended yesterday. With the passing of SB 2047, we will now receive \$96,428.51 MORE than what they had originally forecast for us.
- Earlier this month, we received an email from ISBE's Nutrition and Wellness Division regarding direct certification for Medicaid eligible students:

"IMPORTANT NOTICE Direct Certification with Income-Eligible Medicaid Update for SY2016-2017

ISBE Nutrition and Wellness Programs Division staff continue to work with USDA and the IL Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) staff to reinstate participation in the Demonstration Project utilizing income-eligible Medicaid records for direct certification. At this time, we know that the Medicaid matches will NOT be provided on the annual July 2016 Direct Certification File and we are uncertain as to the exact date in which the Medicaid data will be available. However, once ISBE confirms accurate Medicaid data is being received, and approval is received from the USDA, the Medicaid matches will be provided through the ISBE Direct Certification system. Notification will occur once a specific date is known."

This could impact us in a couple of ways. First, those students who are on Medicaid will automatically receive free lunch as well as other students in their household. Also, because these students were not counted this year, our low-income concentration dropped, which lowered our GSA for next year. However, if they are to be counted again, that should increase the low-income concentration in turn increasing our GSA calculation for the following year.

- Thursday, July 28 is school registration. It will be held 8AM-7PM.

Principal's Board Report
July 2016

The past month has been busy with preparations for next school year. We have been searching for and interviewing candidates for our open positions, performing building maintenance and securing instructional materials and supplies.

Maintenance to be completed before school begins includes:

1. Boys locker room face lift including: new floor tiles, new toilet stall walls and door, freshly painted lockers, lattice installed above the door to the old shower room to prevent the occasional shoe from being tossed over the door and the addition of 2 changing stalls (see attached image) for privacy. Installing new floor tiles is necessary due to broken tiles allowing water to travel beneath the tiles. The urinal handle in that locker room would stick occasionally which would cause it to overflow. We would mop and mop and the water would bubble back up.
2. Girls locker room: freshly painted lockers and the addition of 2 changing stalls for privacy.
3. Gym floor boards and subfloor at entry to locker rooms will be replaced due to water damage from last summer.
4. Additional wood chips on playground.
5. The fuel tank next to the bus barn will be painted.
6. Outside bleachers will be sanded down and painted.
7. Fresh paint on concrete walkways, hallway walls, exterior doors and classrooms (that need touched up or repainted).
8. Asphalt in the driveway and parking lot is to be coated & relined. Also a new section of asphalt will be added to the lot to the north near the bus barn
9. New signage has been added to the parking lot to make our drive go one way only. This is due to safety concerns at dismissal.
10. We have faucets and urinals that are beginning to wear out. We are replacing any worn out parts.
11. The grout in the Jr. High bathrooms is being resurfaced and sealed.
12. Ceiling tiles will be replaced as needed.

Our additional custodian for the summer has made a big impact in the coverage, painting and level of cleaning that is being accomplished around the building. Dalene reports she is well ahead of schedule and anticipates she will even be able to clean out the maintenance/janitorial room. This room has not been thoroughly cleaned in over 5 years.

The office staff has prepared necessary documents for registration which is August 28 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Two Jr. High students, who failed Reading, finished coursework to recoup credits. One other Jr. High student who failed Math is finishing up credit recovery using an online service called Edgenuity. At the end of last week he was 82% finished.

People often question me about what could possibly keep me busy in the summer since there are no students. I try to explain that my summer months are FULL!