

DALLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #327
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 19, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m.

Members answering roll were:

Bob Castillo	Absent	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Present	Sarah Schaefer	Present
Erica Ferguson	Present	Lee Wibbell	Present
Shasta Heidbreder	Present		

Also present were: Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Finch, Mrs. Ryner and Wes Woolson.

A moment of silence was observed.

Future business items were discussed. the PTO will be paying for the Wall of Fame track board. This will be put by the game door entrance. Mrs. Tucker was directed to purchase the track boards. The board discussed creating a permanent stand for the Gate Keeper. DC bulldog Boosters will help to cover some of the costs. La Harpe is going to order duplicate 7th grade girl's state trophies to be housed at Dallas City. We have already taken a check to La Harpe to pay for our half of the cost of the trophies. We could get signs at the town entry ways and on the fence. It was also discussed that all trophies, awards, signs, etc. will be moved from display to a permanent location upon the student's graduation from high school.

The consent agenda was presented to the board for review. A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Wibbell, to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented. The minutes from last month's meeting were not included so they will be added next month and voted on then.(Roll Call).

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

The bills were presented to the Board for payment. A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Ferguson, to pay the bills as presented (Roll Call).

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

The Board Member Code of Conduct rule number 9 from the IASB Code of Conduct Principles were read at this meeting.

A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Schaefer, to recess the open meeting at 6:50 p.m. and call the 2024 Truth in Taxation Hearing to order (Roll Call).

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

Mrs. Tucker went over her recommendation for the tax levy.

A motion was made by Hedibreder, seconded by Ferguson, to adjourn the 2024 Truth in Taxation Hearing at 7:06 p.m. and return to open meeting (Roll Call).

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

Mrs. Tucker shared the Fund Balances as of June 30, 2024 with the board.

Education	\$ 1,017,117
Operations &; Maintenance	\$ 100,061
Debt Services	\$ 11,639
Transportation	\$ 65,953
Municipal Retirement/Social Security	\$ 74,400
Capital Projects	\$ 0
Working Cash	\$ 392,999
Tort	\$ 77,393
Fire Prevention & Safety	\$ 160,036

A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Ferguson, to approve the 2024 Tax Lavy as presented (Roll Call).

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

The Board of Education is asked to consider the adoption of a resolution directing the Regional Superintendent of Schools Hancock County to certify to the County Clerk the question of imposing a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax (also called County School Facility Occupation Tax or (CSFOT) at a rate of 1% to provide revenue to be used exclusively for school facility purposes, school resource officers, and mental health professionals, for submission to the electors of Hancock County at the general election to be held on the 1st day of April, 2025. Information regarding the election deadlines, how much monies our school could have received if we had this in place last year, and comparative City Sales Tax Rates.

The following resolution was read.

The Resolution is as follows:

Resolution directing the Regional Superintendent of Schools for The County of Hancock, Illinois, to certify to the County Clerk of said County the question of imposing a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax to be used exclusively for school facility purposes, school resource officers, and mental health professionals, for submission to the electors of said County at the general election to be held on the 1st day of April, 2025.

A motion was made by Ferguson, seconded by Heidbreder, to approve the adoption of the Facilities Sales Tax Resolution as presented (Roll Call).

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

A motion was made by Ferguson, seconded by Heidbreder, to approve Press Plus Policy Issue #117 as presented.

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

Mrs. Tucker gave her Superintendent report to the board.

A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Wibbell, to enter the Closed Meeting at 7:26 p.m. to discuss items per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(10) (Roll Call).

Bob Castillo	Yea	Hannah Moss	Absent
Scott Faul	Yea	Sarah Schaefer	Yea
Erica Ferguson	Yea	Lee Wibbell	Yea
Shasta Heidbreder	Yea		

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Schaefer, to leave closed meeting and return to open meeting on December 19, 2024 at 9:14 p.m. (Voice)

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

There was nothing on the personnel report to approve.

A motion was made by Heidbreder, seconded by Ferguson, to adjourn at 9:16 p.m. (Voice).

Motion carried 6 Yeas, 1 Absent

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held January 14, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Board President, Bob Castillo

Board Secretary, Erica Stewart

Approved: _____