

MINUTES
DAVID CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MARCH 10, 2008

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and posting to meet the legal requirements for public notice of meetings. The meeting notice was published in the Banner Press, a publication established for general circulation within the district and posted on the front door of each school building and the David City Post Office. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. A current copy of the agenda for such meeting was available in the Superintendent's office and on the district's web site. All proceedings of the Board of Education except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I. A. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Dr. Thoendel, Mrs. Vandenberg, Mr. Otte, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Osantowski (arriving at 8:00 p.m.), and Mrs. Carlson.

Administrators present were Superintendent Phillips, Principal Lentz, Principal Bathen and Principal Jahde.

President Thoendel informed the public that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Law was available for inspection.

Also present for all or parts of the meeting were: Julie Danielson, Brenda Siffring, Michelle Williams and Angie Moore.

Public Forum: Patron input was heard on bullying issues.

B. Approved minutes of the February 11, 2008 regular meeting.

C. Approved agenda with the addition of New Business item G. Summer Computer Maintenance Position

II. Approved claims against the district.

III. Financial reports: All accounts were reviewed.

IV. Board committee reports: Building Committee to meet March 19th at 5 p.m.

V. Staff and student involvement: None

VI. Administrative reports: Mr. Phillips: NASB Negotiation Networking meeting; NASB Workshop "The School Board as Judge and Jury"; Summary of LB 1157, LB1100, LB1016, LB1092, LB 988, and Labor Relations. Mr. Jahde: Parent-Teacher Conferences, financials on athletic activity events; spring sport participations, 6th grade visitation, MS House 'vacation', 8th grade field trip, Grading Practice meeting on March 17th (6:30-8:30), and suspensions. Mr. Lentz: Parent-Teacher Conferences, senior status, Speech program, and the Internet Safety Program. Mr. Bathen: Parent-Teacher Conferences and staff ECRI & reading staff development on March 12th.

Consent motion: Motion by Mrs. Vandenberg, second by Mrs. Carlson, that, by consent motion, all action items and reports related to agenda items I-VI be approved. Motion carried 6-0 (Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes)

VII. Old business: Moved by Mr. Hayes, second by Mr. Otte to accept the low bid of \$108,407 and contract with Weathercraft Co. of Lincoln to replace area #1, area #3, area #3a of the roof at Bellwood this summer. Motion carried 6-0 (Hayes-yes; Osantowski- yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes)

VIII. New business:

A. Motion by Mrs. Carlson, second by Mrs. Osantowski to adopt Policy #5115 Early Childhood and 5115, Rules and Regulations, Early Childhood. Motion carried 6-0 (Osantowski- yes; Otte-yes; Carlson- yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes)

B. After discussion, the Board directed Mr. Lentz and Mrs. Siffring, with input from the teachers, to examine and report back next month concerning the sequence and flexibility of High School class offerings and class scheduling.

C. Moved by Mrs. Osantowski, second by Mrs. Carlson to adopt the calendar for the 2008-2009 school year with the first day of school on August 13th, the last day of school on May 19th and graduation on May 9th. Motion carried 6-0. (Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes; Osantowski-yes)

D. After discussion of a proposed policy on Middle School education, the Board directed Mr. Jahde and Mr. Bathen to evaluate how a 6th through 8th grade Middle School education could work philosophically and physically including examination of core subjects and their relationship to high school classes and rigor and relevance of the quads. Action on policy tabled until next month.

E. After discussion of the agriculture curriculum, the Board directed Mr. Phillips and Mr. Lentz to lead the design of an agriculture program emphasizing 21st Century skills and relevant curriculum to promote student engagement.

F. Moved by Dr. Thoendel, second by Mrs. Carlson to recognize DCEA as the exclusive bargaining agent for all non-supervisory certified personnel for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 6-0 (Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes)

G. Moved by Dr. Thoendel, second by Mrs. Carlson to advertise for a summer computer maintenance student position for no more than sixty total hours at \$6.50 an hour. Motion carried 6-0 (Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes)

IX. Personnel

A. Moved by Mrs. Osantowski, second by Mr. Otte to accept the resignation of Ron Pleskac as head custodian at the High School effective May 31, 2008. Motion carried 6-0 (Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes)

Moved by Mrs. Osantowski, second by Mrs. Carlson to accept the resignation of Jerry Steager as part-time custodian at the High School effective May 16, 2008. Motion carried 6-0 (Hayes-yes; Osantowski- yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes)

B. Moved by Dr. Thoendel, second by Mrs. Carlson to reinstate the contract with Brandi Pavel as middle school special education Para for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year. Motion carried 6-0 (Osantowski- yes; Otte-yes; Carlson- yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes)

C. Moved by Mr. Hayes, second by Mrs. Osantowski to approve the resolution accepting the terms and conditions within the applications of Judith Davis and Jim Angell for the Temporary Early Retirement Incentive Program as offered thereby recognizing their resignations at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. Motion carried 6-0. (Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes; Osantowski-yes)

D. Motion by Mrs. Vandenberg, second by Mrs. Carlson to enter executive session at 10:13 p.m. for personnel review. President Thoendel stated the purpose of the closed meeting clearly stating that the closed session was for the protection of public interest and to protect needless injury to the reputation of an individual and the individual had not requested a public meeting. The information shared in executive session was limited to this topic. The executive session was limited to 20 minutes. Motion carried on voice vote.

Re-entered open session at 10:32 p.m.

Motion by Dr. Thoendel, second by Mrs. Osantowski to approve the contracts with Jerry Phillips (superintendent), Tom Jahde (principal and AD), Bill Lentz (principal) with a 3% salary increase, and the contract with Jim Bathen (principal) with a 3.2% salary increase.

Motion carried 6-0 (Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Hayes-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes)

X. Dr. Thoendel adjourned the meeting at 10:45 p.m.

Linda Carlson, Secretary

The next regular meeting of the David City Public Schools board of education will be 7:30 p.m. April 14, 2008 in the media center at David City High School.