

MINUTES
DAVID CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
JANUARY 11, 2010

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. The Board of Education met in closed session at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the superintendent's evaluation. The closed session ended at 7:30.

I. A. The regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Present: Dr. Thoendel, Mrs. Danielson, Mrs. Carlson, Mrs. Vandenberg, Mr. Otte and Mrs. Osantowski (arrived at 8:10 p.m.)

Administrators present were Superintendent Phillips, Principal Jahde and Principal Lentz. Not present: Principal Bathen.

Dr. Thoendel, Board President, 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: Shelly Mayo, Joy Bell, Elizabeth Grosc, Marilee Polacek, Eric Arneson, and Pam Siroky.

Public Forum: None

B. Minutes of the November 9, 2009 regular meeting, December 2, 2009 special meeting, and the December 14, 2009 regular meeting were approved.

C. Approved agenda.

II. Approved claims against the district.

III. Financial Reports: Reviewed all accounts.

IV. Board committee reports: Building committee met twice. Update of information during new business and also discussion will be held on meeting with architects during the Board retreat on January 13th.

V. Staff and student involvement: Elizabeth Grosc, 4th grade teacher at Bellwood discussed her use of exercise balls in her classroom. Joy Bell and Marilee Polacek provided information on the school wide Title 1 program at Bellwood.

VI. Administrative Reports: Mr. Phillips discussed Labor Relations conference on February 1st and 2nd; Legislative Issues conference January 24th and 25th; Retreat agenda which will include discussion on the 1:1 initiative, issues surrounding consideration of adding a classroom and gym to the existing building, SNC data; FCS remodel with ARRA funds and Center 7 building; reviewed a summary of utility costs from 2005 through 2009; reviewed substitute costs for the first 4 months, and a reminder of upcoming dates for filing to run for school board.

Mr. Lentz reported on curriculum work in Social Studies, reading, and physical education; consideration of continuation of extended classes; addition of an AP Human Geography class; future work on math standards; homework academy; and student issues.

Mr. Jahde reported on the schedule for the week; planning for the House project on January 28th-Walk for Warmth in cooperation with Black Hills Energy; homework academy numbers and Saturday school; and information on planning for the state tests.

Consent Motion: Moved by Mrs. Vandenberg, 2nd by Mrs. Carlson that, by consent motion, all action items and reports related to agenda items I-VI be approved. Motion carried-6-0 (Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Osantowski-yes)

VII. Old Business-NONE

VIII. New Business

A. Motion by Mrs. Vandenberg, second by Mr. Otte that all officers, President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer remain the same in 2010. Motion carried 6-0. (Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes)

B. Moved by Mrs. Osantowski second by Mr. Otte to appoint Jerry Phillips as federal and state programs administrator for David City Public Schools for 2010. Motion carried 6-0 (Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes, Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes)

C. Motion by Mrs. Carlson, second by Mr. Otte to maintain all district funds in current accounts and re-approve all existing resolutions for depositories at US Bank, First National Bank, and Bank of the Valley. Motion carried 6-0 (Osantowski-yes, Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes)

D. Motion by Dr. Thoendel, second by Mrs. Osantowski to approve Indiana Insurance Company as insurance carrier for the three year period beginning February 17, 2010. Motion carried 6-0 (Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes;)

E. Attendance at the laptop schools community meeting in Kearney on January 19th was discussed. Dr. Thoendel and Mr. Phillips will attend. Mrs. Osantowski will consider attendance. Visitation to a school using PC computers as a 1:1 initiative was discussed. Mr. Lentz reported that Hershey is in their 4th year an Ashland-Greenwood is in their 1st year. A visit will be arranged. Further discussion on the 1:1 initiative will take place at the retreat. No action taken.

F. A proposed calendar for 2010-2011 was discussed. Discussion centered around timing of staff development days. The superintendent was asked to make a revision to the calendar. Approval was tabled until the February meeting.

G. The superintendent informed the Board that concept drawings and cost estimate from two architectural firms for a gym/classroom addition will be presented at the retreat on Wednesday. Also Paul Grieger from D. A. Davidson will be present to provide information on ARRA programs and Build America bonds.

H. Motion by Mr. Otte, second by Mrs. Carlson to adjust the calendar to hold full days of school on March 17 and April 14 (originally a 1:30 dismissal) and a full day of school on April 5th (originally no school on that date) to make up time due to lost time during recent winter weather with March 11th as an alternate date to hold school if more hours are lost. Motion carried 6-0 (Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes)

IX. PERSONNEL

A. Motion by Mrs. Carlson, second by Mr. Otte to accept the resignations of Yvonne Matulka, Bellwood teacher, and Rose Ann Oborny, Bellwood lunch program employee effective at the end of the 2009-2010 school year. Motion carried 6-0 (Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes)

Motion by Dr. Thoendel, second by Mrs. Vandenberg to approve the contract with Carole Unger as a middle school special education Para. Motion carried 6-0 (Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes)

B. Moved by Mrs. Carlson, second by Mrs. Osantowski to enter executive session at 9:20 p.m. to discuss personnel issues clearly for the protection of public interest and to protect needless injury to the reputation of an individual, confirming that the individual has not requested a public meeting with the closed session limited to administrators' evaluations and contracts. Motion carried 6-0 (Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes)

X. The Board closed the executive session at 10:20 and Dr. Thoendel adjourned the meeting at 10:20 p.m.

Linda Carlson, Secretary

The next regular meeting of the David City Public Schools board of education will be held on February 8, 2010 in the media center at David City High School beginning at 7:30 p.m.