

MINUTES
DAVID CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
MARCH 8, 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 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 7:55 p.m.).

Administrators present were Superintendent Phillips, Principal Jahde, Principal Lentz and 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: Tiffany Heins, Brian Hermelbracht, Jenny Kocian, Chad Mattox, and Barb Hart.

Public Forum: None

B. Minutes of the February 8, 2010 regular meeting were approved.

C. Approved agenda.

II. Approved claims against the district.

III. Financial Reports: Reviewed all accounts.

IV. Board committee reports: Technology committee met with the 1:1 planning team made up of staff members.

V. Staff and student involvement: Teacher involvement in new business.

VI. Administrative Reports: Mr. Phillips reported on 2010-2011 state aid certification and asked about restoration of district-owned Dale Nichols paintings based on estimates of value by Brown Art Consultants. Mr. Bathen reported on his attendance at the elementary principals' state convention; status of legislation on change in Kindergarten entrance age; progress on Title I school-wide plan; and applicants for elementary music.

Mr. Lentz reported on state speech qualifiers; status of Seniors and number of days they have left; choir performance at the Capitol; attendance at the High School principals' conference; and applications for an English teacher.

Mr. Jahde reported on teacher interviews and provide a financial report related to winter sports.

Consent Motion: Moved by Mrs. Vandenberg, 2nd by Mr. Otte 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. Osantowski, second by Mrs. Danielson to approve the revisions and additions to the curriculum for agriculture including addition of Advanced Employment Skills (a capstone course) and high school social studies including addition of an AP Human Geography course as presented and published on the district's web site. 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 approve the revisions to rules and regulations #5250-R, Graduation, changing graduation requirements for Social Studies to 3.5 years (35 credits) and related course changes. RCV 6-0 Motion carried 6-0 (Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes, Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes)

Motion by Mr. Otte, second by Mrs. Danielson to approve the agriculture based Plant and Soil Science class for Science credit. Motion carried 6-0 (Osantowski-yes, Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes)

C. Elementary physical education teacher, Brian Hermelbracht, presented information to the Board on conditions related to holding elementary physical education in the lower gym, safety of students walking back and forth between the buildings, and time devoted to preparing for and moving between buildings. These conditions refer to factors related to the need for an elementary activity center. Also discussed was an upcoming meeting between representatives of Davis Design and staff members. No action taken.

D. Motion by Mrs. Osantowski, second by Mr. Otte to renew the interlocal agreement with Wilber-Clatonia for a cooperative agreement to employ a school psychologist to be shared between the two districts. Motion carried 6-0 (Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes; Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes)

E. No information received from DCEA regarding bargaining for non-supervisory certified personnel for 2010-2011.

F. Moved by Mrs. Vandenberg, second by Mrs. Danielson to contract with Educational Collaborators to develop goals and a plan for professional development through their Creating a Culture of Change Engagement program. RCV 6-0 (Vandenberg-yes; Danielson-yes; Osantowski-yes; Otte-yes; Carlson-yes; Thoendel-yes)

G. Authorized Mr. Jahde to indicate the District's interest in participating in a concussion testing program through Nebraska Orthopedic after answering some questions related to the program.

IX. PERSONNEL

A. Motion by Dr. Thoendel, second by Mrs. Osantowski to accept the resignations of Barb Knox, elementary music teacher, 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)

B. Building principals recommended renewals of certified staff continuing contracts. No action taken.

C. Motion by Mrs. Vandenberg, second by Mrs. Danielson to enter executive session at 9:58 p.m. for the purpose of receiving information related to a personnel matter to protect needless injury to the reputation of an individual and the individual had not requested a public meeting and a matter clearly related to the protection of public interest with such session limited to these two topics not to exceed 15 minutes. Motion carried on voice vote.

Re-entered open session at 10:12 p.m.

X. Dr. Thoendel adjourned the meeting at 10:12 p.m.

Linda Carlson, Secretary

The next regular meeting of the David City Public Schools board of education will be held on April 13, 2010 in the media center at David City High School beginning at 7:30 p.m.