

Unapproved School Board Meeting Minutes

Dickinson Public Schools
Regular Meeting

September 13, 2010; 5:00 p.m.
Board Room, Central Office

The Dickinson Public School Board held their regular meeting on September 13, 2010, at the Central Administration Office. Board members present were: President Kris Fehr, Dr. Becky Pitkin, Ms. Leslie Ross, and Mr. Jason Hanson. Board member absent: Dr. Morton Krieg. Administrators present were: Superintendent Douglas Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent Vince Reep, Mr. Ron Dockter, Mrs. Becky Meduna, Mr. Del Quigley, Mrs. Melanie Kathrein, Mr. Perry Braunagel, Miss Sherry Libis, Mrs. Dorothy Martinson, Mr. Calvin Dean, Mrs. Tammy Praus, Mr. Mark Rerick, and Mr. Henry Mack. Others present were: Mrs. Beverly Kinnischtzke, Mrs. Naomi Thorson, Mrs. Diana Stroud, Mrs. Yvonne Seifert, Ms. Lisa Miller from the Dickinson Press, and Mrs. Twila Petersen.

President Fehr called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

There were no requests for Public Participation.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

Ms. Ross moved to approve the agenda including the consent agenda, consisting of the minutes from the August 9, 2010, regular meeting; a correction to the July 12, 2010, annual meeting; the bills for September 2010; the financial report for September 2010; the pledged assets report for September 2010; the personnel reports; the RESP report; the RACTC report; the tuition waiver agreements for Dustin Carlsen and Tearny Brown from South Heart to Dickinson, Mathias Becker from Glen Ullin to Dickinson, and Zachary J. Miller from Dickinson to South Heart; and dissolving the open enrollment for Birch Obrigewitch and Nicole Urlacher. There were no student/staff recognitions. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report – Superintendent Douglas Sullivan reported on the following:

- a. Building Co-chairs School Improvement Leadership Meeting – This committee will be having a team meeting on September 15 at 4:00 p.m. at the Central Administration Office.
- b. North Dakota School Board Association Annual Conference (NDSBA) – The NDSBA conference is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, October 29-30 at the Ramkota in Bismarck.
- c. North Dakota School Board School Law Seminar and New Member Seminar – These seminars are scheduled for Thursday, October 28, also at the Ramkota in Bismarck.
- d. National School Board Association Annual Conference – This conference is scheduled for April 9-11, 2011, in San Francisco.
- e. Professional Learning Community Conference – Dr. Sullivan's notes from this August conference are posted on the website under Supporting Documents.

Lincoln Elementary and Jefferson Elementary Additions Update – A report of Jefferson and Lincoln Elementary’s progress on the additions at these two schools is posted on the website under Supporting Documents. Assistant Superintendent Vince Reep reported there have been some change orders to the projects totaling approximately \$20,000. There was a budget for \$75,000 in contingencies. The steel structure is nearly complete at Jefferson Elementary. During teacher’s convention in October, the contractors at Lincoln Elementary anticipate opening up the area connecting the old section to the new section. Contractors have schedules of when there are recesses at both schools and are therefore refraining from delivering materials during that time.

Student Transfer & Withdrawal Report – Assistant Superintendent Reep distributed copies of the rough draft inward and outward migration reports for 2009-2010. More up-to-date information will be available in the near future and will be posted on the school board website under Supporting Documents.

School Board Workshop – A Board workshop immediately followed the Board meeting. The agenda for this workshop is posted on the website under the workshop agenda link. Topics discussed at the workshop may become agenda items at future Board meetings. This agenda item was informational only. No action was requested.

Extracurricular Cooperative Agreement with Hope Christian Academy in Wrestling – Hope Christian Academy requested a cooperative agreement in wrestling for the 2010-2011 school year. A copy of the agreement is posted under Supporting Documents on the website. Mr. Mark Rerick, activities director, recommended approval of the extracurricular agreement and he addressed the Board. Action was requested. Mr. Hanson moved to approve the extracurricular cooperative agreement with Hope Christian Academy in wrestling for the 2010-2011 school year. Ms. Ross seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Extracurricular Cooperative Agreement with Hope Christian Academy in Speech – Hope Christian Academy requested a cooperative agreement in speech for the 2010-2011 school year. A copy of the agreement is posted under Supporting Documents on the website. Mr. Mark Rerick, activities director, recommended approval of the extracurricular agreement and he addressed the Board. Action was requested. Ms. Ross moved to approve the extracurricular cooperative agreement with Hope Christian Academy in speech for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Policy Revisions-First Reading – The North Dakota School Board Association (NDSBA) has recommended revisions to most of the policies adopted by the Dickinson Public Schools. Policy GDHB – Use of Controlled Substances by Activity Group Members had a descriptor code change from GDHB to FFEA. Policy DJA-Substitute Teachers and policy DDC-Unpaid Leave had minor changes to the text. Copies of the policies with the proposed revisions are available on the school board website under Supporting Documents and the Board Policies-1st Reading link. Any area on the policy where new Dickinson Public School language has been incorporated is noted in purple text. The administrative recommendation was to approve the revisions. Action was requested. Ms. Ross moved to accept the first reading approval of the school board policy revisions for policy GDHB-Use of Controlled Substances by Activity Group Members, policy DJA-Substitute Teachers, and policy DDC-Unpaid Leave, as presented. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Other – There were no other items for discussion.

Adjournment – At 5:25 p.m., Mr. Hanson moved to adjourn. Dr. Pitkin seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Kris Fehr, Board President

Vince Reep, Business Manager

Twila Petersen, Secretary