

# WESTERN DUBUQUE COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Board of Education Minutes

Regular Meeting

September 10, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.

### Call to Order:

Board President Bob McCabe called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room – District Administration Office, Farley, Iowa, with a moment of silence and reading of the District Vision Statement and Goals.

### Roll Call:

Present were President Bob McCabe, Vice-President Jeanne Coppola, Mark Knuth, Gary McAndrew, Chad Vaske and Superintendent Jeff Corkery.

### Approval of Agenda:

Motion by McAndrew, second by Knuth to approve the Agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

### Welcome to Visitors, Press, Staff, etc.:

Open Forum: Students Nicole Neal and Derick Ludwig from the Western Dubuque High School Student Council provided the Board with information on Home Coming events and state Student Council activities and goals.

### Approval of Minutes and Bills:

- a. August 13, 2012 Special Meeting-Litigation and August 13, 2012 Regular Meeting. Motion by Vaske, second by Coppola to approve the Minutes. Motion passed 5-0.
- b. Bills and Claims for the month of August: Motion by McAndrew, second by Coppola to approve the bills. Motion passed 5-0.

### Reports:

#### Principal Reports:

- Topics discussed were: PPIS expectations; teacher goals; IPAD uses; MAAP testing; Homecoming events; new security cameras; positive first school day experiences for students, staff and bussing; Pre School assessment; AIMSWEB training; ELL students and staffing concerns; back to school activities, school resource officers and effective instruction methods for special needs students.

#### Superintendent Report:

Transportation issues the first week of school are far less than a year ago and have been successfully addressed.

#### Board President:

Mr. McCabe reviewed the discussion topics that were addressed at the town hall meeting conducted by Iowa Governor Terry Brandstad on August 24, 2012 at the West Delaware Schools on Education Reform.

#### American College Testing Results:

High School Principal's Greg Vanderlugt and David Hoeger provided a review of past test scores including trends and comparative data with state averages.

#### Tentative Enrollment:

Superintendent Corkery noted that current enrollment counts indicate an increase of at least 50 students over last year.

#### Peosta Elementary Building Highlights:

Principal Shari Steward provided a discussion and demonstration of various behavioral support tools and other measures that staff effectively use to keep special needs students on task.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

- a. Financial Reports of District
- b. Personnel

1. Resignations
2. Employment
  - a) Mindy Kamp - .8 F.T.E. Pre-K Teacher (151 days) – CES \$28,692.16
  - b) Sue Knepper – Half-time Poms/Dance Coach – CHS \$1,386.50
  - c) Jordan Krueger - .6 F.T.E. Pre-K Teacher (114 days) – DES \$19,425.12
  - d) Jordan Loy – Weight Room Supervisor ¼ time – WDHS \$831.90
  - e) Sue Manternach – Half-time Poms/Dance Coach – CHS \$1,386.50
  - f) Judy Waterman – .75 F.T.E. Vocal Music Teacher (from .5 F.T.E.) – WDHS \$29,884.80
- c. Out of State Travel
  1. Cascade High School FFA - Washington D.C. Leadership Conference
- d. Policy Revisions 1st and 2nd Readings: None
- e. Equipment/Fund Raising Project Request
  1. Soccer Goals – Western Dubuque High School – donated by Booster Club – Cost Value = \$3,330
  2. Dish Washing Machine – DMIS – Hawkeye Foodservice - \$18,123
- f. Resolutions
  1. Resolution recognizing National Food Service Week in October.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- a. Election of President of Board: Motion by McCabe, second by Coppola to name David Wegmann as President Pro Temp for the purpose of conducting the election for the position of School Board President. Motion passed 5-0. David Wegmann assumed the Chair and called for nominations for the position of School Board President. Motion by Coppola to nominate Bob McCabe as Board President. No other nominations were made. Motion to name Bob McCabe as Board President passed 5-0. The Oath of Office for President of the Board was then given to Bob McCabe by David Wegmann. Bob McCabe then assumed the position as President of the Board.
- b. Election of Vice-President of Board: President McCabe called for nominations for the position of Vice-President of the Board. Gary McAndrew nominated Jeanne Coppola and Mark Knuth nominated Gary McAndrew. No other nominations were made and President McCabe closed the nominations. A vote for the first nomination for Jeanne Coppola received a 4-1 vote with Knuth voting no. Mr. Knuth then withdrew his nomination for McAndrew as Board Vice-President. The Oath of Office for Vice-President of the Board was then given to Jeanne Coppola by David Wegmann. Jeanne Coppola then assumed the position as Vice-President of the Board.
- c. Appointment of Committee Members: Motion by Coppola, second by Knuth to appoint the following to the listed committees. Motion passed 5-0.
  1. Facility: Mark Knuth and Gary McAndrew
  2. Policy: Jeanne Coppola and Chad Vaske
  3. Legislative: Bob McCabe
  4. SIAC: Bob McCabe and Gary McAndrew
  5. Dubuque County Conference Board: Bob McCabe
  6. Jones County Conference Board: Mark Knuth
  7. IASB Delegate Assembly: Bob McCabe

- d. Set dates and times for Board meetings and work sessions: Motion by McAndrew, second by Coppola to set regular meetings of the Board for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month starting at 6:00 pm and workshop sessions as necessary on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month starting at 5:30 pm. Motion passed 5-0.
- e. Set Board visits to buildings for first semester: Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to set Board visits as per the schedule as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

1)10/18/12	7:30 a.m.	Peosta Elementary School
2)10/31/12	7:30 a.m.	Cascade Elementary
3)11/9/12	7:30 a.m.	Bernard Elementary
4)11/29/12	7:30 a.m.	Drexler Middle School
5)12/7/12	7:30 a.m.	Epworth High School
6)1/16/13	7:30 a.m.	Epworth Elementary
7)2/20/13	7:30 a.m.	Dyersville Elementary
8)3/14/13	7:30 a.m.	Farley Elementary
9)3/27/13	7:30 a.m.	Cascade High School

- f. Approve Title 1 application: Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to approve the District's Federal Title 1 application to the Dept. of Education for the 2012-13 school year. Motion passed 5-0.
- g. Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Official Statement \$16,500,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2012:

The Superintendent presented and recommended approval of the preliminary official statement prepared by Speer Financial, Inc. which has been prepared in cooperation with the Board Secretary and/or Superintendent and distributed to the Board for review and comment prior to this meeting.

Director Knuth introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption. Director Vaske seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called and the vote was:

AYES: McCabe, Coppola, Knuth, McAndrew and Vaske  
 NAYES: None

The President declared the following Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PRELIMINARY  
 OFFICIAL STATEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED: The use by Speer Financial, Inc. of the Preliminary Official Statement and a final Official Statement (together "Official Statement") in connection with the sale of the Bonds is hereby authorized and approved. All actions heretofore taken with respect to the preparation and use of the Official Statement are hereby approved. The Board Secretary and/or Superintendent and other staff are authorized to cooperate in the completion of the Official Statement and the Board Secretary and/or Superintendent are authorized to sign the Official Statement and deliver necessary certificates to indicate such approval and to comply with SEC Rule 15c2-12.

The Official Statement as of its date is deemed final by the Issuer within the meaning of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1). Speer Financial, Inc. is directed to provide for the publication and circulation of the Official Statement in the form now before this Board with such changes as may be approved by the Secretary and/or Superintendent.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of September, 2012.

- h. Appointment of Facility Planning Committees: Motion by Vaske, second by McAndrew to appoint the following individuals to the Ad Hoc Advisory District Facility Planning Committee. Motion passed 5-0. The Committee will be responsible for making recommendations to the Board on design and cost considerations for the upcoming Cascade HS and Western Dubuque HS construction projects.

Public input meetings for the construction projects are scheduled as follows:

**Cascade High School on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.**

**Western Dubuque HS on Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.**

Cascade	Epworth	
Greg Vanderlugt	Dave Hoeger	Building Principal
Sue Knepper	Mark Tilson	OFN Committee Member
Jacob Brindle	Mike Omarzu	Teacher
Tony Butterworth	Chris Tipple	Teacher
Ginny Horsfield	Steve Seay	Teacher
Kathy Weber	Michelle Schmidt	Community Member
Blair Gleason	Rick Demmer	Community Member
Bob Hingtgen	Bob Hingtgen	Director of Maintenance
Mark Knuth	Gary McAndrew	Board Members
Jeff Corkery	Dave Wegmann	District Administration
Mike Beck	Bill Schueller	Local Contractors
Neuman Monson	Neuman Monson	Architects
Conlon Construction	Conlon Construction	Chairman/Project Manager

**Adjournment:** Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on September 12, 2012.

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David A. Wegmann  
Board Secretary

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Robert McCabe  
President, Board of Education