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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, April 12, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Conover
Carol Dowsett
Lawrence Finkbeiner
Dale Green
Kim Lindsay
Mark McGlashen
Kathleen Sudia

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVES
PRESENT:**

Jessica Poster
David Kennedy

ADMINISTRATION:

Clay Perkins, Superintendent of Schools
Eric Lieske, Assistant Superintendent
Dan Romzek, Director of Finance and Operations
Donna Whitley, Special Services Director
Kevin Brown, High School Principal
Holly Halabicky, Hahn Intermediate Principal
Lance Harper, Hill Elementary Principal
Sue Kenkel, Alternative Education Principal
Julie Malenich, High School Assistant Principal
Martha Morris, Siple Elementary Principal
Ken Nuss, Middle School Principal
Josh Wallberg, Athletic Director
Theresa Wendt, Gates Elementary Principal

STAFF:

Gaylene Adams, Tom Benton, Eric Chorley, Lorri
Dudock, Michelle Edwards, Dave Handwerker, Angie
Hards, Sara Harris, Mary Ignatowski (DEA), Christine
McAuliffe, Mike McCollum, Tonya Prim, Marilyn
Strader, Chris Wilson, Shelley Williams, Susan
Vamos, Wesley Webster

OTHER GUESTS: Amanda Backes, Christine Gartee, Susan Garza, George Jaksa (Davison Flagstaff), Jeff Johnson, Cheryl Judd, Adam Markuszewski, Jason Purdue, Doug Theodoroff, Cody Varner

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Davison Board of Education was called to order by President Kathleen Sudia at 7:01 p.m. in the Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Davison Middle School Principal Ken Nuss, Social Studies/Native American/ESL Coordinator Angie Hards, English as a Second Language Tutor Tonya Prim, DMS Teacher and Student Council Sponsor Lorrie Dudock, Early Learning Coordinator Susan Vamos, and Cardinal's Nest Director Marilyn Strader along with members of the DMS Student Council and children enrolled in our Cardinal's Nest program. The Cardinal's Nest children gave board members purple ribbons, pencils and April calendars in celebration of April – the Month of the Young Child.

ROLL CALL: Kathy Morris read the roll. Members present: Karen Conover, Carol Dowsett, Lawrence Finkbeiner, Dale Green, Kim Lindsay, Mark McGlashen, and Kathleen Sudia. Student members present: Jessica Poster and David Kennedy.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Mark McGlashen, to approve the agenda as presented with one change: To move the closed session to the last item on the agenda. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Dale Green, to approve the consent agenda which included items 1-5 below:

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approval of the open and closed session minutes for the previous regular meeting of March 8, 2010. Approval of the minutes for committee meetings held since the March 8, 2010 board meeting.
2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills for March:

AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER, DTV, Athletic Fund, Cafeteria Fund, and Student Activity Fund	\$	1,051,487.88
Building & Site Fund	\$	16.96
Debt Retirement Fund	\$	22.50
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the month of March.

4. **Monthly Personnel Report:** Approval of personnel activity for the period through March 31, 2010.
5. **DECA International Competitions:** Approval of the overnight trip requested for 33 students to attend the international competition scheduled on April 23 - 28, 2010 in Louisville, Kentucky.

The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Presentations

- **English as a Second Language:** ESL Coordinator Angie Hards made a presentation about the district's program offerings for children whose native language is not English.
- **MEAP Results:** Assessment Coordinator Eric Chorley presented details about this year's remarkable third through ninth grade MEAP results.

From the Public: Visitors were welcomed and invited to address the Board. There was no response from the public.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence to be read.

ACTION ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF STUDENT TRIP TO SPAIN: Approval of the request by High School Spanish Teachers Marda Chahbazi and Collette Cavric to plan a summer trip to Spain for high school foreign language students in June 2011. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Carol Dowsett, to approve the request. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. (Details of the trip follow the official minutes.)

APPROVAL OF GISD COLLABORATIVE SCHOOLS OF CHOICE RESOLUTION: Approval of the resolution opting out of participation in the state's schools of choice program as described in Section 105 of the State School Aid Act and into the GISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Program for the 2010/2011 school year. Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Carol Dowsett, to approve the resolution as written. There was discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. (A copy of the resolution follows the official minutes.)

APPROVAL OF SECTION 105c SCHOOLS OF CHOICE RESOLUTION: Section 105c of the State School Aid Act of 1979 as amended by Public Act 297 of 2000 permits school districts to accept schools of choice enrollment applications from residents of contiguous intermediate school districts. Districts may participate in both Section 105c Schools of Choice and the GISD Collaborative Schools of Choice. A resolution to opt into the Section 105c Schools of Choice program was presented. Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, to approve the resolution as written. There was

discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. (A copy of the resolution follows the official minutes.)

GISD BUDGET APPROVAL: MCL 380.624 requires local school boards to review and either support or disapprove of the annual intermediate school district's proposed budget. Board Trustee Mark McGlashen attended the annual GISD budget hearing on March 10 and Superintendent Clay Perkins has taken part in meetings where the proposed 2010/2011 GISD budgets have been reviewed by Genesee County superintendents. Pertinent information about the proposed 2010/2011 GISD budgets have been provided to the Board for review and a resolution was presented and recommended for approval. Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Carol Dowsett, to approve the resolution supporting the 2010/2011 GISD budgets as presented. There was discussion. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. (A copy of the resolution follows the official minutes.)

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY: Authorized superintendent to sign agreement between Davison Community Schools and Project Lead The Way, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation that provides middle school and high school engineering and technology curricula. There was discussion and questions were answered. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Mark McGlashen, to authorize the superintendent to sign the agreement. There was discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. (A copy of the agreement follows the official minutes.)

ENDORSEMENT OF "PARCEL FOR THE PARK" RACE: Endorsement of "Parcel for the Park" Race: In June, 2008 the Davison Board of Education approved a resolution in support of the Davison Community Park Development Fund. This fund, started by Davison resident Bob Callis, collects funds to purchase additional property for the Abernathy Regional Park. On Saturday, May 1, 2010 a 5K run will be held to raise money for this Fund. Davison Middle School will be used as the packet pick-up point. Endorsement of this fundraising event was requested. Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Carol Dowsett, to approve endorsement of the event. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR REDUCTION OF CERTIFIED STAFF: Due to projected budgetary constraints it is necessary to lay off twelve certified staff members. A resolution authorizing these layoffs was presented. Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Mark McGlashen, to approve the resolution as written. There was discussion. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. (A copy of the resolution follows the official minutes.)

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR REDUCTION OF NON-CERTIFIED STAFF: Due to projected budgetary constraints it is necessary to lay off eighteen paraprofessionals. A resolution authorizing these layoffs was presented. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Dale Green, to approve the resolution as written. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. (A copy of the resolution follows the official minutes.)

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS: Moved by Carol Dowsett, supported by Larry Finkbeiner, to gratefully accept the following contributions and to direct the superintendent to express the Board's gratitude in writing:

- The Davison High School Soccer Booster Organization donated \$5,400 in fundraising money to the district as part of their financial commitment to help support funding of the soccer field lighting project.
- Mr. Ken Duetsch of Red Carpet Realtors donated one computer, one laptop, a power center with cords, four monitors, two keyboards, and four printers to the district's technology department.
- An anonymous donor who works for JPMorgan Chase donated \$120 through the company's "Good Works Employee Giving Campaign" to benefit students at Siple Elementary.
- At the request of Carson Gilson's family, memorial contributions were made to the Davison High School Football program in lieu of flowers for Mr. Gilson, an avid Davison Football fan since 1960 who passed away February 16, 2010.

The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

From our Superintendent:

- Mr. Perkins gave an update on the status of the state's budget process.

From our Student Representatives:

- Jessica Poster and David Kennedy reported on events of interest at Davison High School.

Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board (From Board members):

There were no matters presented from Board members.

Future Meeting Dates:

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, May 3, 2010
7:00 p.m.
Davison High School
Athletic Meeting Room
1250 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

CLOSED SESSION REGARDING STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER: Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, to convene into closed session at 8:48 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the first student disciplinary matter. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. The student's parent requested that Board deliberation take place in closed session, which is allowed under Section 8 [b] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Kim Lindsay, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 9:14 p.m. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

CLOSED SESSION REGARDING STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER: Moved by Larry Finkbeiner, supported by Mark McGlashen, to convene into closed session at 9:14 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a second student disciplinary matter. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. The student's parents requested that Board deliberation take place in closed session, which is allowed under Section 8 [b] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 9:39 p.m. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

STUDENT EXPULSION (Regarding the first disciplinary matter heard): Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, that the first student brought before the Board tonight be expelled from Davison Community Schools for violating the student code of conduct by threatening to harm others. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

STUDENT EXPULSION (Regarding the second disciplinary matter heard): Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Carol Dowsett, that the second student brought before the Board tonight be expelled from Davison Community Schools for violating the student code of conduct by threatening to harm others. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Mark McGlashen, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen D. Conover, Secretary
Davison Board of Education