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# DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

## Board of Education

Monday, December 7, 2015

7:00 p.m.

Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room

### MINUTES

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karen Conover  
Lawrence Finkbeiner  
Dale Green  
Andrew Hall  
Kim Lindsay  
Mark McGlashen  
Kathleen Sudia

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:** Ryan Myers  
Samantha Hunsinger

**ADMINISTRATION:** Eric Lieske, Superintendent of Schools  
Kevin Brown, Assistant Superintendent  
Holly Halabicky, Executive Director of Student Services  
Michelle Edwards, Director of Public Information  
Phil Thom, Director of Operations  
Leslie Young, Director of Business Services  
Shelly Fenner-Krasny, Middle School Principal  
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal  
Christine Kuzinski, Hahn Intermediate Assistant Principal  
Lance Harper, Central Elementary Principal  
Natalie Miller, Thomson Elementary Principal  
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal  
Josie Paquette, Middle School Assistant Principal  
Sue Kenkel, High School Principal  
Jennifer Torok, Hill Elementary Principal  
Theresa Wendt, Gates Elementary Principal

**STAFF:** Michael Hull (DEA), Kristen Slattery (DEA), Randy Scott, Tara Hendrix, Tracy Bennett, Linda Strine, Andrea Sumner, Lorie Smith

**OTHER GUESTS:** Chris Purdy, Mycaela Barden, Jackie Lockwood, Lauren Old, Merek Alam, Cain Pedersen, Samuel

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Burke, Ron Thatcher, Mark Wright, Carrie Mathews, Isabelle Modrak, Kara Polmanteer, Shawn Dunham, Beth Latchana, Eleanore Brahen, Pete Schneider, Avery Miller, Susan Luis, Tasia Bierbusse, Paul Shalpo, Chadd Polmanteer, Lisa Polmanteer, Dick DuCharme, Theresa Unger, Courtney Elliott, Andrea Fisackerly, Corrine Walworth, Kamden Walworth, Maddison Collins, Dominic Mauro, Cory Kuzinski, Kenneth Vobach, Christine Craft

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Davison Board of Education was called to order by President Kathleen Sudia at 7:02 pm in the Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge of allegiance was led by Hahn Intermediate Principal Verle Gilbert, teacher sponsor Tara Hendrix and our December Hahn Heroes.

**ROLL CALL:** Kathy LaFeldt read the roll. Members present: Karen Conover, Lawrence Finkbeiner, Dale Green, Andrew Hall, Kim Lindsay, Mark McGlashen and Kathleen Sudia. Student members present: Ryan Myers and Samantha Hunsinger.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Kim Lindsay, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Moved by Kim Lindsay, 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 November 2, 2015. Approval of the minutes for committee meetings received since the November 2, 2015, board meeting.
2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills for November:  

AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, Food Service Fund, and Student Activity Fund	\$ 1,304,233.98
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3. **Treasurer's Report:** Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the month of November.
4. **Monthly Personnel Report:** Approval of personnel activity for the period of October 29 through December 2, 2015.

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5. **Approval of the Budget Revision:** Approval of the general fund budget revision which incorporates updated student enrollment data, known and anticipated changes in funding and other relevant information.

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

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **Special Presentations**

- **Hill Blueberry Ambassadors' Special Presentation:** Jen Torok and Tracy Bennett, along with a student group from Hill Elementary, shared about their participation in the "Blueberry Ambassador" program and a very special project they are involved with.
- **"Cool to Care" Holiday Food Drive:** Davison High School DTV and DECA Community Service Project students provided information regarding the organizations' participation in the annual "Cool to Care" Holiday Food Drive which provides assistance to families through Davison Outreach East.

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

### **Correspondence:**

- Board Secretary Karen Conover read correspondence received from Senior Manager of Community Events Jennifer Beamer in appreciation of the time, effort and resources that Davison Community Schools has contributed to the American Cancer Society throughout the year. The district's recent donation of \$5,999.07 will support breast cancer research to better understand, prevent, find and treat the disease and provide free comprehensive programs and support to patients, survivors and caregivers.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF INSTALLMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR AIR CONTDITIONING AT SIPLE AND THOMSON ELEMENTARY:** The installment of air conditioning will be purchased through an installment purchase agreement with Talmer Bank in the amount of \$746,200. A memorandum from Leslie Young and a resolution for the issuance of an installment purchase agreement was provided. Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Kim Lindsay to approve this resolution as recommended. 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.)

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**ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Mark McGlashen, to gratefully accept the following contributions and to direct the superintendent to express the Board's gratitude in writing:

- Davison City Manager Michael Hart donated a 35mm camera with accessories to the DHS Photography/Digital Imaging classroom and a music stand to the DHS Choir classroom for students to use.
- Dennis and Deborah Knopf generously donated an Electronic Magnification System valued at \$2000 to the district's Special Education Department. This instrument magnifies font so that students with visual impairments can better see the material.
- Siple Elementary received multiple boxes of children's book valued at over \$100 from an anonymous donor. The books will be provided to the students.
- Keith Koppmeier and Corporate Services on behalf of the Lake Trust Credit Union in Brighton donated 30 office chairs to DTV for use in their lab and studio.
- The GM Flint North American Tooling Center (NATC) donated two Bridgeport mills and a Marvel bandsaw to the DHS First Robotics Competition Team 3534, House of Cards. This generous donation was made to support STEM education and FIRST Robotics at DHS. These tools will provide a unique learning opportunity for students regarding the manufacturing processes used in the creation of their competition robots. The House of Cards will benefit from the tools by creating a more capable robotics build lab which will help attract students and mentors to the growing program.
- Davison Community Schools' parent April Eckles generously donated \$500 to Hill Elementary to help provide support to students and programs within the school.
- The Davison Community Fund donated a \$950 grant from the Justin M. Jury and Sherri E. Stephens Funds to build a greenhouse for Hahn Intermediate students who participate annually in the Community Garden.

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

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

**From our Superintendent:**

- Superintendent Lieske shared that December is an exciting time in the school buildings. The cheerfulness and concept of doing good things for others is prevalent everywhere and is very impressive. The "Cool to Care" campaign

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continues to accept donations through tomorrow. This is a very impactful event for our local community, so please donate if you are able.

- The semi-annual Kiwanis ABC Luncheon is scheduled for tomorrow. It's a great ceremony that honors kids with good character traits. This is a special venue to acknowledge and reward students for their selection and recognition of being special in their school.
- The M.S.B.O.A. Middle School Solo & Ensemble Festival was held at North Branch High School last Saturday. Two students received a "Good Performance" rating, three students received an "Excellent Performance" rating and twenty students received a "Superior Performance" rating. A congratulation goes out to DMS Band Director James Bronson and his talented students for their hard work and successful outcome.
- The College Board identified Davison Community Schools as one of fifteen schools in the state for Advanced Placement (AP) Honor Roll Status. This is great news and exciting to see that our high school's increase in AP class offerings and our student's continued high AP achievement levels has received this honored recognition.
- State Superintendent Whiston's office invited Superintendent Lieske to participate in three state level committees. The School Accountability Committee met last week. There was great discussion and a favorable direction moving forward. The School Funding Committee will be meeting next week and superintendent is looking forward to his involvement in the discussion at this meeting.

**From our Student Representatives:**

- Ryan Myers and Samantha Hunsinger reported on events of interest at Davison High School.

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

- The Board of Education made comments.

**Future Meeting Dates:**

Next Regular Meeting:      Monday, January 11, 2016  
7:00 pm  
Davison High School  
Athletic Meeting Room  
1250 N. Oak Road  
Davison, MI 48423

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**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Kim Lindsay, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

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Karen D. Conover, Secretary  
Davison Board of Education

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