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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, January 10, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Conover
Lawrence Finkbeiner
Dale Green
Kim Lindsay
Mark McGlashen
Kathleen Sudia
Doug Theodoroff

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE
PRESENT:** Megan Kechner

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ABSENT:** David Kennedy

ADMINISTRATION: Eric Lieske, Superintendent of Schools
Kevin Brown, Assistant Superintendent
Dan Romzek, Director of Finance and Operations
Donna Whitley, Special Services Director
Pam Chedister, Siple Principal
Shelly Fenner-Krasny, Central Elementary Principal
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Assistant Principal
Holly Halabicky, Hahn Intermediate Principal
Lance Harper, Hill Elementary Principal
Sandy Hynes, Thomson Elementary Principal
Sue Kenkel, Alternative Education Principal
Julie Malenich, Middle School Assistant Principal
Ken Nuss, Middle School Principal
Theresa Wendt, Gates Elementary Principal

STAFF: Michelle Edwards, Angie Chinevere (DAE), Tara Hendrix,
Mickie Ybarra, Rocky Ybarra, Cory Sturgess, Karen
Thompson, Matt Ames, Bobbie McAllister, Linda Scharrer,
Sandy Coots, Wade Batey, Chris Kinney, Sandy Salsgiver,
Lydia Pacheco, Tracy Hackman, Sandy Barrette, Robin
Raible, Suzie McPeake, Kristin Souders, Michelle Herron

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5. **Quarterly Financial Report:** Approval of the Quarterly Finance Report through December 31, 2010 including budgets for the General Operating Fund, DCER Fund, DTV Fund, Food Service Fund, and Student Activity Fund.

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Presentations

- **Recognition of Board Members:** January is "School Board Member Recognition Month" in Michigan. In acknowledgment of the Board's service to the district the following recognitions were presented:

Davison Education Association Vice President Angie Chinevere informed board members that a donation had been made in the Board's name to Outreach East on behalf of the DEA in appreciation of their committed service. Student representatives were presented with Tim Hortons gift cards.

Holly Halabicky provided comments on behalf of the district administrators introducing High School Art Teachers Linda Scharrer and Bobbie McAllister and several art students who presented each board member with handmade ceramic artwork in recognition of their commitment and guidance. Student representatives were presented with Cardinal Shop gift certificates.

A resolution was presented to proclaim that the Davison Community Schools joins the Board of Education of the State of Michigan, declaring January 2011 as Local School Board Member Recognition Month in Michigan.

- **Lunchroom Monitors Save Choking Children:** Rocky and Mickie Ybarra were presented certificates and recognized for their quick action when they each recently saved a child who was choking in separate incidents while eating lunch in the cafeteria at Central Elementary.
- **Hahn Intermediate "Why Try" Behavior Intervention:** Hahn Intermediate Principal Holly Halabicky, Counselor Cory Sturgess, and Art Teacher Karen Thompson provided information on an intervention program currently taking place at Hahn that helps students overcome their challenges for improved outcomes in the areas of truancy, behavior, and academics.

From the Public: Visitors were welcomed and invited to address the Board.

- Jim Waldron and Connie Hill of Jim Waldron Buick GMC presented the district with a check totaling \$7,862.56 contributed through the dealership's "\$50,000 School Challenge" program. A separate check was also presented donating \$2,500 to help fund the district's summer elementary programs.

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- Owner Joe Madore of Davison Sign and Business Supplies provided supportive comments regarding the DECA students and organization.
- Davison small business owner Jim Slater of Concept Three provided positive comments regarding the high school's DECA organization and the impressive student involvement with area businesses.

Correspondence: Board Secretary Karen Conover read two thank you letters. The first, addressed to Superintendent Lieske, staff, and students, was from Outreach East Director Jan Lebert for the district's "Cool to Care" campaign which included a donation of three busloads of food and over \$1500 in cash to benefit area families in need through Outreach East. The second, an email addressed to Superintendent Lieske, was from appreciative parents of a Davison graduate who while in his first semester at Michigan Tech made the Dean's List.

ACTION ITEMS:

SMALL BUSINESS WEEK RESOLUTION: A resolution was provided from DECA, an association of marketing students, and a national youth organization dedicated to enhancing the education of students with interests in marketing, management, and entrepreneurship. In order to encourage educators, businesses, parents, and community members to work with Davison High School's DECA members in emphasizing the worth and importance of small business ownership, it was recommended that the Board approve the resolution to proclaim January 23-29, 2011, as "Small Business Week" in Davison. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Larry Finkbeiner, to approve the resolution as recommended. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE STUDENT CREDIT FOR ONLINE CLASSES: A resolution approving student credit for online classes and a copy of Section 5-O-B Seat Time Waiver of the Pupil Accounting Manual were distributed. Section 5-O-B allows Michigan school districts to offer credit for online or project-based courses. Genesee County school districts have received a seat time waiver from the state superintendent which allows junior high (expelled students only) and high school students to take up to a full schedule of online classes offered through GenNET. Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Doug Theodoroff, to approve the resolution as presented. 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 FACILITIES PLAN: Through an ongoing assessment process the administrative staff and Board Building & Grounds Committee developed a facilities plan to maintain and upgrade our facilities which extends through 2015. Projects in the plan will be accomplished using the district's Building and Site Fund. A copy of the plan was provided for the Board's review and recommended for approval. Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Dale Green, to approve the recommended five-year facilities plan. There was discussion. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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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:

- Through the Pepsi Refresh Program Meijer of Davison donated \$407 to the Davison High School Media Center for the purchase of library resources and books.
- Tom Smith donated gift cards to Siple Elementary on behalf of the Jeff Smith Memorial Fund to be used to assist students in need.
- Davison resident Irene Shewalter donated miscellaneous clothing and a few "like new" coats to Siple Elementary for students who might otherwise be unable to afford them.
- Donna Shampine, a Davison resident, donated 10 books to the high school media center.

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

From our Superintendent:

- Superintendent Lieske shared his appreciation with the Board members and student representative for the service they provide to the district.
- Information was provided regarding upcoming important legislative sessions that may have impact on school funding.
- Due to a scheduling conflict the Board's February 28 planned special meeting has been rescheduled to February 21. This special meeting is scheduled to discuss the superintendent's performance evaluation and will be held in closed session.
- A document is currently being created and will be distributed to board members soon that will provide a complete list of interventions taking place within the district that impact individual growth and support student learning.

From our Student Representatives:

- Megan Kechner reported on events of interest at Davison High School.

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

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- Dale Green provided information regarding the Genesee County Association of School Board Members annual student scholarship opportunity and positively commented on a recent Flint Journal article regarding bus inspections. He also acknowledged the recent loss of past GISD and Kearsley Board of Education Member Bill Walworth, remembering him for all he had accomplished during his years of service.
- Larry Finkbeiner expressed support for High School Principal Martha Morris' stance on enforcing the high school dance policy.
- Mark McGlashen shared information read in Sunday's Flint Journal that recognized several of our high school students who participated in the Business Professionals of America (BPA) competition that took place on Friday, January 7 at Baker College.

Future Meeting Dates:

Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, February 8, 2011
7:00 pm
Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room
1250 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

Special Board Meeting: Monday, February 21, 2011
7:00 pm
Cardinal Center Board Room
1490 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423
Topic: Discuss contents of Superintendent's annual performance evaluation.

CLOSED SESSION REGARDING STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTERS: Moved by Kim Lindsay, supported by Karen Conover, to convene into closed session at 8:10 pm, for the purpose of discussing student disciplinary matters. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no. The students' 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 Karen Conover, supported by Kim Lindsay, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:38 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

STUDENT EXPULSION (Regarding the first disciplinary matter heard): Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Dale Green, that the student brought before the Board tonight be expelled from Davison Community Schools for violation of the district's drug policy. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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STUDENT EXPULSION (Regarding the second disciplinary matter heard): Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Doug Theodoroff, that the student brought before the Board tonight be expelled from Davison Community Schools for violation of the district's drug policy. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Kim Lindsay, to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen D. Conover, Secretary
Davison Board of Education

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