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DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Board of Education

Monday, November 2, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room

MINUTES

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kim Lindsay

**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
Ken Nuss, Middle School Principal
Jerry Piger, High School Assistant Principal

STAFF: Michelle Edwards, Karen Molina, Evelyn Jackson,
Sheryl Kennedy(DEA), Jennifer Szlachta, Christy
Flowers, Mike Kennedy, Katie Skidmore, Chris
Wilson, Kerri Mulder, Mandy Barrett, Marcia Fournier,
Debbie Bobchik, Barb Eagloski, Christie Ecarius

OTHER GUESTS: Gary Gould (Davison Index), George Jaksa (Davison
Flagstaff), Bonnie Bruney, Mark Owen, Mike Walker,
Eugene Pratt, Rob Reynolds, Kelly MacDonald,
Michele Thatcher, Gordon Bayne, Ruth Joslyn,
Jennifer Webster, Cyndi VanSteenburg, Tami Ford,
Mark Richards, Sandy Dymowski, Kyle Dymowski

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ORDER OF BUSINESS:

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Davison Board of Education was called to order by President Kathleen Sudia at 6:58 pm in the Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was led by Principal Holly Halabicky, Teacher Sponsor Karen Molina, and student members of the Hahn Heroes from Hahn Intermediate School.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Dale Green, to approve the agenda as presented with two changes: To move both closed sessions to the last items on the agenda. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Carol Dowsett, 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 October 5, 2009. Approval of the minutes for committee meetings held since the October 5, 2009 board meeting.
2. **Approval of Bills for Payment:** Approval of payment of the bills for October:

AP-Pooled Cash: General Fund, DCER, DTV, Athletic Fund, Cafeteria Fund, and Student Activity Fund	\$ 1,085,952.24
Building & Site Fund	\$ 151,814.21
Debt Retirement Fund	\$ 325,061.25
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the month of October.
4. **Monthly Personnel Report:** Approval of personnel activity for the period of October 2 through October 28, 2009.
5. **Quarterly Financial Report:** Approval of the Quarterly Finance Report through September 30, 2009 including budgets for the General Operating Fund, Athletic Fund, DCER Fund, School Lunch Fund, DTV Fund, and Student Activity Fund.

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The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Special Presentations

- **Davison Educational Foundation Professional Scholarship Recipient:** Selected as the third DEF Professional Scholarship recipient, Hahn Intermediate Vocal Music Teacher Evelyn Jackson presented highlights of her learning experience after attending the “World Music Drumming, A Cross-Cultural Curriculum” workshop in Oconomowic, Wisconsin this past summer.
- **Davison Educational Foundation Teacher Mini-Grant Recipients:** Eric Lieske presented highlights of this year’s teacher mini-grant projects which are funded by the Davison Educational Foundation (DEF). Superintendent Perkins provided information regarding DEF and expressed appreciation for the organization’s board members, fundraising events, and donations received by the staff and community that positively impact and provide educational enrichment to Davison students.
- **MASSP “Ready, Set, Success!” Award:** Kevin Brown, high school principal, was presented a \$500 check from Representative Mark Owen of MEEMIC Insurance in recognition of an award received from the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals for his role in developing teacher leaders at Davison High School. The monetary award will be applied to the continued development of the teacher leader program. Mr. Brown thanked MEEMIC for their generosity and gave credit to his teaching staff for their commitment in developing and implementing the program.
- **Strategies and Interventions at Davison High School:** High School Principal Kevin Brown presented information regarding various strategies and interventions that are presently being implemented and others programs proposed at DHS to help increase student achievement.

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

- Davison High School Parent Mike Walker addressed the Board first by showing his appreciation for the excellent education his three children receive. He also expressed his concern regarding a recent incident that occurred at the high school.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence to be read.

ACTION ITEMS:

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GRADUATION CEREMONY DATES AND TIMES: The administrative staff proposed that alternative education high school graduation be held on Wednesday, June 9, 2010, 7 pm, in the Ude Auditorium and that the high school graduation be held Monday, June 14, 2010, 7 pm, at Perani's Arena and Event Center. Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Carol Dowsett, to approve the dates and locations for graduation as recommended. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

In addition, Carol Dowsett, Larry Finkbeiner, and Mark McGlashen volunteered to confer diplomas at the alternative high school ceremony. All Board members participate in the high school graduation.

BUDGET REVISION APPROVAL: Finance and Operations Director Dan Romzek provided a resolution and information regarding updated student enrollment data, known and anticipated changes in state funding, and other relevant information as it relates to the general fund budget. The proposed revision has been reviewed by the Board Finance Committee. Moved by Mark McGlashen, supported by Larry Finkbeiner, to approve the general fund budget revision as recommended. There was discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

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

- A Davison couple (who wish to remain anonymous) donated a cornet to a student in need of an instrument who would like to participate in Hahn's instrumental music program.

The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

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):

- Dale Green recently attended the Annual Fall MASB Conference where he served as the district's representative for the MASB Delegate Assembly and the Genesee County Association of School Board Members Fall Program. He shared information provided at the conference and fall program concerning various topics of interest to the district.

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Future Meeting Dates:

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, December 7, 2009
7:00 pm
Davison High School Athletic Meeting Room
1250 N. Oak Road
Davison, MI 48423

CLOSED SESSION REGARDING STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTER: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Carol Dowsett, to convene into closed session at 8:22 pm in order for the Board to consider a student disciplinary matter. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-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 Mark McGlashen, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:53 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

STUDENT EXPULSION: Moved by Carol Dowsett, supported by Mark McGlashen, 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 6-yes, 0-no.

CLOSED SESSION: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Mark McGlashen, to convene into closed session at 8:54 pm, for the purpose of discussing negotiations of collective bargaining agreements as provided under Section 8[c] of Michigan's Open Meetings Act (MCL 15.261, et seq.). The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

REGULAR SESSION: Moved by Larry Finkbeiner, supported by Karen Conover, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 9:20 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Karen Conover, supported by Dale Green, to adjourn the meeting at 9:21 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen D. Conover, Secretary
Davison Board of Education