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# DAVISON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

## Board of Education

Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board

Monday, January 9, 2023

7:00 p.m.

Davison High School Auditorium

### MINUTES

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karen Conover  
Holly Halabicky  
Alicia Hensley  
Kurtis McMahan  
Matthew Smith  
Granger Stefanko

**ABSENT:** Stefanie Pickell

**ADMINISTRATION:** Kevin Brown, Superintendent  
Matt Lobban, Assistant Superintendent  
Amy Chorley, Director of Student Services  
Michelle Edwards, Director of Public Information  
Angie Hards, Director of Curriculum  
William Mull, Director of Business Services  
David Beamer, Athletic Director  
Jennifer Burke, Hill Elementary Principal  
Keri Collins, Hahn Intermediate Assistant Principal  
Andrea Ferguson, Middle School Assistant Principal  
Christy Flowers, Siple Elementary Principal  
Verle Gilbert, Hahn Intermediate Principal  
Heather Hunt, Hahn Dean of Students  
Jerry Piger, DAE/High School Principal  
Christine Kuzinski, Central Elementary Principal  
Natalie Miller, Gates Elementary Principal  
Josie Paquette, Middle School Principal  
Melissa Williams, Thomson Elementary Principal

**STAFF:** Laura Ferguson, Jordan Flores, Tara Hendrix, Sara Howes, Samantha Hulverson, Chris Lesko, Amber Lyon, Kevin Roberts, Kristy Schwabauer, Brenda Smith, Ami Unger, Daniyle Weir

**OTHER GUESTS:** Jennifer Allen, Ken Arndt, Corrie Arthur, Colleen Bard, Sara Baker, Mike Barnett, Jason Bass, Brock Beaman, Autumn Bean, Bob Beckelic, Mallory Bessolo, Allison Borst, Joseph Cecchini, Stefanie Cecchini, Sara Chapin, John Conover, Janine Cool, Larry Cool, Veronica Crespo, Katie Culbert, Laura Darch, William Darch, Dana DeBeau, Kristy Demo, Lyle Demo, Kelly Diamond, Rebeca Garty, Tom Garty, Amy Gerkin, Erika Glasco, Sandy Glish, Julie Gratsch, Ladd Gratsch, Pat Gratsch, Sarah Green, Jodi

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Hemingway, Andrew Hensley, Jennifer Henson, Trisha Hill, Katie Herriman, Shane Herriman, Trisha Hill, Shawn Hunt, Stephanie Hunt, James Jarman, Candy Johnson, Barbie Keefer, Sarah Kelly, Adam Kile, Stephanie Kile, Tatiana Lang, Heather Luna, David Martin, Tammy McConnell, Anna Michalik, John Monica, Ian Myers, James Myers, Jordan Ojeda, Rebecca Ojeda, Dawn Page, Anne Parker, Lacy Parker, Kelli Pyles, Joshua Pyles, Brandon Putnam, Brittany Putnam, Diane Rhines, Cole Rickets, Joni Roseberry, Holly Rosser, Scott Roseberry, Melissa Salsgiver, Jessica Schalau, Shawn Schalau, Jason Schwabauer, Krystin Scrima, Amber Schisler, Amanda Sharp, Melissa Smith, Lindsey Spiewak, Heidi Stefanic, Jason Titsworth, Dave Unger, Ken Unger, Theresa Unger, Ben Vick, Naomi Vick, Amanda Vickers, John Walsh, Kellye Walsh, Dave Weir, Amanda Weiss, William Weiss, Rebecca Wheaton, Ashlee Wilcox, Perry Williams, Salina Williams, Amber Wright, Ashley Wright, Jacob Wright, Carrie Yelle, Hope Yelle

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Organizational Meeting of the Davison Board of Education was called to order by President Karen Conover at 7:00 pm in the Davison High School Auditorium.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by our Hahn Heroes, Student Council, Principal Verle Gilbert and Teachers Jordan Flores, Laura Ferguson and Tara Hendrix.

#### **ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO BOARD MEMBERS:**

The Revised School Code provides that the Oath of Office may only be administered by notaries, judges, clerks of court, or members of the legislature. Judge Mark Latchana shared thoughts on the district and Judge Jennifer Manley administered the OATH OF OFFICE to new Board members.

**ROLL CALL:** Robin Ricica read the roll. Members present: Karen Conover, Holly Halabicky, Alicia Hensley, Kurtis McMahan, Matthew Smith and Granger Stefanko. Member absent: Stefanie Pickell.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS - ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION:**

- **Election of President:** Matthew Smith nominated Granger Stefanko. Granger Stefanko nominated Karen Conover. No other nominations were made and nominations for president were closed. A roll call vote was taken. Karen Conover, Holly Halabicky, Alicia Hensley, Kurtis McMahan and Granger Stefanko voted for Karen Conover. Matthew Smith voted for Granger Stefanko. Karen Conover was elected as president of the Davison Board of Education for the 2023 calendar year.



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## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **Special Presentations**

**KIDS FIRST AWARD RECOGNITION:** Central Elementary Teacher Brenda Smith was honored as our January "Kids First Employee of the Month." This employee recognition initiative has been developed to recognize employees for going above and beyond the call of duty to meet the needs of the children they serve. The program is sponsored by Mark Owen of MEEMIC Insurance in Davison.

**RECOGNITION OF FALL ALL-STATE ATHLETES:** The boys Varsity Football Team had a remarkable season this past fall. Jay'len Flowers and Carter Herriman were honored as both students were selected to the MHSFCA All-State First Team.

**RECOGNITION OF BOARD MEMBERS:** January is "School Board Member Recognition Month" in Michigan and a resolution honoring our Board members was attached. This evening the staff of our school district is pleased to honor you for your dedication and commitment to the district and community.

Davison High School Principal Jerry Piger and Thomson Elementary Principal, along with some of our youngest and oldest students in the district, thanked Board members for their service to the district.

Davison Education Association (DEA) made a \$250 donation to the Cardinals Care Fund in honor of School Board Recognition Month and in appreciation of their committed service.

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

Mr. Bob Beckelic gave a big thank you to the district's PTO's, the tremendous amount of volunteers who share their time with us, administrators, teachers and counselors who always put Kids First and help to find ways for students who need extra care, especially during the last six to eight weeks.

### **Correspondence:**

There was no correspondence to be read.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

**APPROVAL OF STANDING COMMITTEES:** Board Policy 0155 allows the Board to form standing committees. Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Holly Halabicky, to approve the following standing committees for the 2023 calendar year:

- Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation
- Curriculum, Extra-Curricular Programs and Technology
- Finance
- Personnel
- Policy and Planning
- Student Reinstatement

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

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**MEETING DAYS AND TIMES:** Board members were provided with a list of proposed meeting days, times, and locations for the 2023 calendar year. Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Holly Halabicky, to approve the list of meeting days, times, and locations for the 2023 calendar year which are listed below. From this date forward, the meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. There was discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

Day	Time	Location
1. Monday, January 9, 2023 (Board's Organizational Meeting)	7 pm	1. DHS Auditorium
2. Monday, February 6, 2023	6 pm	2. DHS Auditorium
3. Monday, March 6, 2023	6 pm	3. DHS Auditorium
4. Monday, April 10, 2023	6 pm	4. DHS Auditorium
5. Monday, May 15, 2023	6 pm	5. DHS Auditorium
6. Monday, June 5, 2023	6 pm	6. DHS Auditorium
7. Monday, June 19, 2023 (Planned Budget and Superintendent Evaluation Meeting)	6 pm	7. <b>Cardinal Center Board Room</b>
8. Monday, July 17, 2023	6 pm	8. <b>Cardinal Center Board Room</b>
9. Monday, August 7, 2023	6 pm	9. <b>Cardinal Center Board Room</b>
10. Monday, September 11, 2023	6 pm	10. DHS Auditorium
11. Monday, October 2, 2023	6 pm	11. DHS Auditorium
12. Monday, November 6, 2023	6 pm	12. DHS Auditorium
13. Monday, December 4, 2023	6 pm	13. DHS Auditorium

**DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE FOR ANNUAL G.I.S.D. BUDGET HEARING:**

The Genesee Intermediate School District's annual general fund budget hearing is scheduled to be held April 26, 2023. A delegate and alternative delegate from our Board should be appointed to serve as the district's voting representative at this hearing. Moved by Kurtis McMahan, supported by Granger Stefanko, to appoint Holly Halabicky to serve as the district's voting representative and Kurtis McMahan to serve as alternate representative at the GISD annual budget hearing. There was discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

**DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE AS LIAISON AND ALTERNATE LIAISON TO THE GENESSEE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS' (GCASBM) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** The GCASBM requested that each district appoint two representatives, one to serve as liaison and the other as alternate liaison to the GCASBM Executive Committee. The committee typically meets at GISD's Davis Education Center, 2413 West Maple Avenue, Flint, Michigan, on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Moved by Holly Halabicky, supported by Granger Stefanko, to appoint Karen Conover to serve as the district's liaison and Alicia Hensley as the district's alternate liaison to the GCASBM Executive Committee. There was discussion and questions were answered. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

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**APPROVAL OF DHS CHOIR OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP:** The Davison High School Choir requested approval for two students and one teacher attend the Michigan School Vocal Music Association State Choir Festival in Grand Rapids on January 19-21, 2023 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel. Information was provided by High School Music Teacher Garth Starr and was previously distributed. Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Holly Halabicky, to approve this trip. Motion passed with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS:** The following contributions have been offered to the district:

- Teri Hill donated \$75 to Gates Elementary to be used for staff and student incentives.
- Dustyn Kruger made a monetary donation to Thomson Elementary to help cover student lunch balances.
- Ben Noyce, Davison Farm Bureau, made a \$200 donation to the Davison High School Links Program.
- First Baptist Church donated 100 pairs of Bombas socks to Siple Elementary for use by students who are in need.

Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Alicia Hensley, to approve the contributions listed above. Motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

**From our Superintendent:**

- We are soon approaching the end of the first semester, January 19. The NWEA testing window is currently open.

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

- There were no comments from members of the Board of Education.

**Future Meeting Dates:**

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, February 6, 2023  
6:00 p.m.  
Davison High School Auditorium  
1250 N Oak Road  
Davison, MI 48423

**CLOSED SESSION:** Moved by Granger Stefanko, seconded by Holly Halabicky to convene into closed session at 7:43 p.m. to conduct a hearing to consider a disciplinary matter involving a student which is allowed under Section 8(b) of the Open Meetings Act. A roll call vote was taken. The motion carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no. No action was taken during closed session.

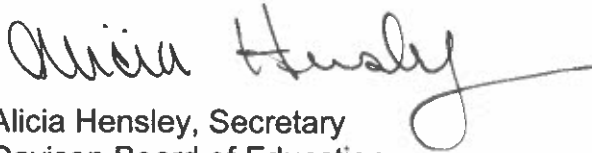
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**REGULAR SESSION:** Moved by Holly Halabicky, supported by Granger Stefanko, to adjourn the closed session and return to regular session at 8:26 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

**STUDENT EXPULSION (Regarding student disciplinary matter heard):** Moved by Granger Stefanko, supported by Alicia Hensley, that the student brought before the Board tonight be expelled from Davison Community Schools due to a violation of the student code of conduct. A roll call vote was taken. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Alicia Hensley, supported by Matthew Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alicia Hensley". The signature is written in black ink and has a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

Alicia Hensley, Secretary  
Davison Board of Education