

**DOUGLAS COUNTY WEST COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:00 PM**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, District #15, in the County of Douglas, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on April 11, 2016, at the Douglas County West Community School Central Office Board Room, 401 South Pine St., Valley, Nebraska.

Following public notification procedures approved by the Board of Education, February 14, 2011, in adherence to 84-1411, notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting such Notice on the exterior front door of the high school, elementary school, middle school, Valley City Hall, First Nebraska Bank, Waterloo Post Office, and Foundation First Bank. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the Board of Education of the meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I. Call to Order

President Jeff Clauson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Clauson noted that the Open Meetings Act was posted on the back wall of the Board Room for public review.

Present Board Members:

Jeff Clauson
Kelly Hinrichs
Luke Janke
Pat McCarville
Sue McKie
John Walvoord

Others Present:

Melissa Poloncic, Duane Krusemark,
Dawn Beyl, Tracy Larson, Wesley
Farewell,
Jeremy Travis, Jim Knott, Bill
Ambrust, Emily Heinzen, Troy Glock,
Curt and Jason Bromm, Sabina Safford

The agenda, listing items for consideration by the Board, is on file in the Superintendent's office. Other matters may come before the Board and the Board has the right to modify the agenda before the meeting.

II. Public Communications and Correspondence

Comments from the audience will be accepted at this time. Correspondence addressed to the Board will be presented.

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion Passed: Motion to approve agenda as presented passed with a motion by Luke Janke and a second by Pat McCarville.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

IV. Administrative Reports

Dr. McCarville thanked the administrators for taking the time to submit informative monthly reports to the Board. Sue McKie congratulated Superintendent Poloncic on getting her doctorate.

IV.A. Superintendent's Report

IV.B. Financial Report

V. Consent Agenda

Motion Passed: Motion to approve Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Pat McCarville and a second by Jeff Clauson.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

V.A. Approve Minutes

V.B. Approve Claims for Payment

V.C. Approve Financial Report

V.D. Approve Classified Staff

VI. Old Business

VI.A. Building and Grounds Update

Superintendent Poloncic shared with the Board the complete plans for all summer projects along with the construction schedule. The link to access all the final plans that have gone out for bid was also provided:
<https://boydjonesconstruction.basecamphq.com/login>

VI.B. Legislative Update

Curt and Jason Bromm updated the Board on current legislative actions, specifically LB1067. They also commended the district for representing itself well and thanked Superintendent Poloncic for always being available to them.

VI.C. Open/ Option Enrollment for 2016-17

DC West has accepted the following option and open enrollment students for the 2016-17 school year:

Kindergarten:	4 option and 4 open
3rd grade:	1 open
4th grade:	1 open
9th grade:	2 open
10th grade:	1 option and 1 open
Total:	5 option enrollment and 9 open enrollment

VII. New Business

VII.A. Tech Ten

Tracy Larson, High School English Teacher, shared technology implementation learned from professional development sessions this school year.

VII.B. Facilities Task Force 2016

The DC West Board of Education is addressing the next phase of facility planning with input from influential leaders in the community. Task force members have been personally invited to be a member of a school district task force as a next step in problem solving and developing solutions for facility needs.

The task force is being facilitated by external facilitators, Dr. Virginia Moon and Annette Eyeman.

The task force will meet three times for two hours each to complete this work. The meetings will be on Wednesdays: April 13th, April 20th, and May 4th from 6:30-8:30pm in the DC West High School Library.

The Board and administration will be present but will assume the role of listening, clarifying, and answering questions.

All meetings will be open work sessions of the Board of Education.

The end goals of the task force will be to:

Identify the core values of what is wanted for DC West communities with regards to our schools.

Clarifying facility needs with possible solutions.

Writing the questions to a survey that will be used with the district general population.

Estimate the cost of solutions and establish a price point for a bond issue.

Make a recommendation for a timeline.

VII.C. Approval of Staff Resignations

Jamie Gilfry, High School Business Teacher, and Randy Donner, High School Special Education Teacher, have resigned their teaching positions at the completion of the 2015-16 school year.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the resignations of Jamie Gilfry, High School Business and Randy Donner, High School Special Education teachers effective at the end of the 2015-16 school year passed with a motion by Pat McCarville and a second by Jeff Clauson.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

VII.D. Approval of New Certificated Staff for the 2016-17 school year

Administration has conducted interviews and recommends the following staff to be hired beginning the 2016-17 school year:

Taylor Holzer, High School Social Studies

Ben Knobbe, High School Business

Dawn Beyl, Vocal Music

Wesley Farewell, .5 Vocal Music and PT Alternate Education Paraprofessional

Motion Passed: Motion to approve Taylor Holzer, High School Social Studies, Ben Knobbe, High School Business, Dawn Beyl, Vocal Music, Wesley Farewell, .5 Vocal Music as certificated staff beginning the 2016-17 school year passed with a motion by Sue McKie and a second by Jeff Clauson.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

VII.E. Approve Classified Staff Pay for the 2016-17 School Year

The wage levels and benefits offerings for classified staff for 2016-17 were recommended for approval. The salary schedule and plan to meet PPACA guidelines was provided to the Board for their review.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the wage and benefits for classified staff in the 2016-17 school year as presented passed with a motion by Jeff Clauson and a second by Luke Janke.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

VII.F. 2016-17 Budget Update

According to state aid certified in March and the latest estimated property values for 2016, a revenue increase in the district is predicted.

VII.G. Approve the Last Day of School for 2015-16

The school calendar for 2015-16 included four inclement weather days. Since only two of those days were used, Superintendent Poloncic recommended that the last day of school for students be changed to May 20, 2016, and the last day for staff changed to May 23, 2016. This change will still meet the requirements of the teacher contract.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve the last day of school for students on May 20, 2016 and the last day for staff on May 23, 2016 passed with a motion by John Walvoord and a second by Kelly Hinrichs.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

VII.H. Approve Asbestos Removal/Disposal at the DC West Middle School

As part of the classroom relocation and code compliance projects, it will be necessary to remove and dispose of existing asbestos prior to demolition at the DC West Middle School. An evaluation of the needed removal and disposal was conducted. Bids were received from the following:

Great Plains Asbestos Control, \$59,200.00
Bockmann Inc, \$37,300.00
ESA, \$41,742.00
Wheeler Contracting, Inc. \$42,680.00

It was recommended that the bid from Bockmann Inc. in the amount of \$37,300.00 be accepted and approved and work to begin as soon as May 23rd, 2016.

Motion Passed: Motion to approve bid for asbestos removal/disposal at DC West Middle School in Waterloo from Bockmann, Inc. in the amount of \$37,300.00 passed with a motion by Jeff Clauson and a second by Sue McKie.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

VIII. Adjournment

Motion Passed: Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:59 pm passed with a motion by Kelly Hinrichs and a second by Jeff Clauson.

6 Yeas - 0 Nays.

Jeff Clauson	Yes
Kelly Hinrichs	Yes
Luke Janke	Yes
Pat McCarville	Yes
Sue McKie	Yes
John Walvoord	Yes

Sabina Safford, Board Secretary

Dr. Melissa Poloncic, Superintendent