

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
EDUCATION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 28-
0015, a/k/a, DOUGLAS COUNTY WEST COMMUNITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT**

Monday, August 12, 2019

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 Monday, August 12, 2019, at the Central Office Board Room, 401 South Pine Street, Valley, NE 68064-0378.

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, 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.

Jeff Clauson: Present
Kelly Hinrichs: Present
Luke Janke: Present
Jamie Jorgensen: Present
Elizabeth Mayer: Present
Patrick McCarville: Present

1. Call to Order

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.

President Kelly Hinrichs called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Hinrichs noted the Open Meetings Act was posted on the front wall of the Board Room for public review.

2. Public Communications and Correspondence

Dr. Poloncic shared a thank you note from Linda Chitwood for a plant sent for her father's passing.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda as presented passed with a motion by Patrick McCarville and a second by Jeff Clauson.

Jeff Clauson: Yea, Kelly Hinrichs: Yea, Luke Janke: Yea, Jamie Jorgensen: Yea,
Elizabeth Mayer: Yea, Patrick McCarville: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

4. Administrative Reports

4.1. Superintendent's Report

4.2. Financial Report

5. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Jeff Clauson and a second by Jamie Jorgensen.

Jeff Clauson: Yea, Kelly Hinrichs: Yea, Luke Janke: Yea, Jamie Jorgensen: Yea,
Elizabeth Mayer: Yea, Patrick McCarville: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

5.1. Approve Minutes

Next Special Meeting Date: August 26, 2019
Next Regular Meeting Date: September 16, 2019

5.2. Approve Claims for Payment

5.3. Approve Financial Report

5.4. Approve Classified Staff

New classified staff members:

Kristin Gargano, elementary para
Megan Nelson, elementary para
Jana Wiese, elementary para
Jerry Gaines, full-time evening custodian
James Rodenbough, formerly part-time evening custodian
moving to head custodian at the elementary

6. New Business

6.1. Discuss and Review the Proposed Demolition Project for the Former Elementary Wing

Sean Yahnke from Boyd Jones and Casey Painter from BCDM presented the proposed demolition project of the former elementary wings and discussed the timeline for approval of a GMP.

6.2. Approve Board Guiding Principles

At the board retreat on Monday, July 22nd, members of the Board revised their 2015 Board Goals into Guiding Principles. The Board officially approved the Guiding Principles in order to communicate their consensus on beliefs to focus on in their Board service.

The Guiding Principles were presented in order to approve and formalize:

The DC West Board of Education, as representatives of the communities, will provide a high-quality learning culture through:

- **Sustaining fiscal responsibility**
- **Continuing to improve or build new facilities to enhance our student experiences and opportunities**
- **Supporting leading edge technology**
- **Providing professional development opportunities for our staff to support student achievement**
- **Engaging communities to grow and foster connections**
- **Growing in our Board governance role in collaboration with our Superintendent**

Motion to approve the Board Guiding Principles as presented passed with a motion by Kelly Hinrichs and a second by Jamie Jorgensen.

Jeff Clauson: Yea, Kelly Hinrichs: Yea, Luke Janke: Yea, Jamie Jorgensen: Yea,

Elizabeth Mayer: Yea, Patrick McCarville: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6.3. Approval of Transportation Contract

DC West's transportation contract with First Student expires in August 2019.

Superintendent Poloncic solicited bids for service from local transportation companies.

Student Transportation of America and First Student responded to her request.

Due to daily pricing as well as continuation and consistency of services, the administration recommended continuing to contract with First Student for transportation services for the next three years. The overall increase in pricing is approximately a 3% increase from 2016 prices.

Motion to approve contract and pricing as presented from First Student Transportation passed with a motion by Luke Janke and a second by Elizabeth Mayer.

Jeff Clauson: Yea, Kelly Hinrichs: Yea, Luke Janke: Yea, Jamie Jorgensen: Yea,

Elizabeth Mayer: Yea, Patrick McCarville: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6.4. Approve the Sale, Recycling, and Disposal of Items

Due to the move to the new elementary building, updating in the high school, and new technology purchases, there are several items that will be listed for sale, recycling, or disposal. According to policy, the Board may give the Superintendent authority to sell, recycle, and dispose of these items accordingly.

Motion to authorize the Superintendent to sell, recycle, and dispose of items from the former elementary school, high school, and technology passed with a motion by Jamie Jorgensen and a second by Kelly Hinrichs.

Jeff Clauson: Yea, Kelly Hinrichs: Yea, Luke Janke: Yea, Jamie Jorgensen: Yea,

Elizabeth Mayer: Yea, Patrick McCarville: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6.5. Discuss Heat Pump Replacement in Portable Building

Dr. Poloncic discussed the bids received so far the replacement of the heat pump in the portable building on the Valley Campus.

6.6. Budget Update Fiscal Year 2020

Dr. Poloncic presented the preliminary budget update. DC West's valuation certification will not occur until August 20th, therefore all information is still preliminary based upon estimates until that time.

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:33 pm passed with a motion by Jamie Jorgensen and a second by Jeff Clauson.

Jeff Clauson: Yea, Kelly Hinrichs: Yea, Luke Janke: Yea, Jamie Jorgensen: Yea,

Elizabeth Mayer: Yea, Patrick McCarville: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Sabina Safford, Board Secretary

Dr. Melissa Poloncic, Superintendent