

**Deerfield Community School District  
300 Simonson Boulevard  
Deerfield, WI 53531**

**Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
HS IMC  
February 16, 2009  
6:30 pm**

BOE Present: Bush, Cwik, Fischer, Mack, Page, Poirier  
BOE Absent: Winkler arrived late

Administration Present: Becker, Callahan, Jensen, Stenroos, Treuden  
Administration Absent:

Others Present: Amy Graves, Barry Witkowski, Annette Witkowski, LuAnn Hommen, Rick Hommen, Ken Gulbranson, Lori Gosdeck, Tara Gosdeck, Jim Brown, Steve Ehrke, Julie Ehrke, Amanda Doyle, Nicole Annen, Kayla Stenjem, Donna Schenk, Todd Collins, Dave Borgrud, Jonathan Schenk, Mike Hommen, Brad Schenkel, Ryan Schenkel, Katrina Bierd, Laura Larson, Timm Taylor, Troy Coffey, Rory Meyer, Stephanie Jahn, Calli Dahl, Matt Polzin, Laurie Steen and other community members who were not signed in.

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order by President, Tom Bush at 6:33 pm as duly posted under s.s. 19.84(1)(2)(c).

**2. Call of Roll**

Roll Call taken: Bush, Cwik, Fischer, Mack, Page, Poirier. Winkler arrived late.

**3. Proof of Posting**

Barb Callahan presented proof of posting of the Meeting Agenda on February 9, 2009.

**4. Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Poirier/Mack to approve the February 16, 2009 agenda as posted. Carried 6-0.

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Page/Cwik to approve the minutes of the Regular and Executive Meetings on January 19, 2009. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Page/Cwik to approve the minutes of the Special and Executive Meetings on February 4, 2009. Carried 6-0.

**6. Treasurer's Report:** Financial reports presented by Doreen Treuden. Motion by Poirier/Cwik to approve December financial report.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the current expenditures. Carried 7-0.

**7. Public Input:** Several citizens expressed their concern regarding the recent code violation and penalties. The Board has referred the matter to the Extra-curricular Advisory Committee for a review of the policy and Appeals process.

A parent had a question on code violation and appeal process timeframes. Mr. Polzin explained that the process for code violation and appeal processes are determined by WIAA.

A couple of citizens discussed the tax impact of the referendum and asked the Board to be cognizant of impacts on the community.

**8. Student Council Report:** Aubrey Rohner presented a proposal along with survey results for personal music use by students.

## **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Legislative Report/Discussion:** No discussion.

**Policy Committee Report/Discussion:** Will discuss items under Old Business.

**Extra Curricular Committee Report:** Discussed possible move to the Capitol Conference and its affects on our school. Several citizens were present to express their concern regarding the move to a conference where Deerfield would be the smallest school, potential for injuries and inability to compete with the larger schools.

**Finance Committee Report:** Discussed December reconciliation, workers compensation insurance, athletic workers on the payroll, details of the state trust fund loan, 09-10 budget, RFP lawn service and the village water well site.

**Facilities Committee Report:** Discussed village water well site, track reconstruction and fence for softball field.

**Personnel Committee Report:** Did not meet.

**Technology Committee Report:** Doug Cwik shared that the committee discussed the Pen Pals for 4<sup>th</sup> grade, technology survey, laptop cart, netbooks, and allocation of technology budget.

**Safety Committee Report:** Shared that two-way radios are in and being used, safety check lists were distributed and will be completed twice per year. Crisis plan will be reviewed next and basic emergency response procedures will be reviewed.

**Joint Interactive Committee Report:** Grocery store is on hold due to economy. Tierney development is in winter mode, discussed village water well, need to develop a more formal arrangement for plow sharing with the village and discussed school tax impact on township.

**Health and Wellness Committee Report:** Pam Haffely gave a presentation on new total body challenge class, and is working on another pep grant. Discussed Health Day on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **10. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. Policy Second Readings:**

Animals in School (383): Motion by Page/Poirier to approve second reading of policy. Carried 7-0.

Volunteers in School (353.1): Motion by Page/Winkler to approve second reading of policy. Carried 7-0.

### **B. Course Offerings for 2009/2010:** Motion by Poirier/Fischer to approve course offerings for 2009/10. Carried 7-0.

## **11. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. Conceptual Plan for Village Water Well Test Site:** Warren Meyers, John Matthews, John Doyle presented information on a new well site for the village which is located on school property. Explained benefits of using 1 acre of the elementary school site. Discussed leasing the property vs. buying from the district.

### **B. Consideration of Move to Capitol Conference:** John Polzin spoke on background of issue. Sandy added more information for consideration such as financial impact, success rates, football-safety and competition levels.

### **C. Announcement of Gifts to Schools:** Janesville Kiwanis Club donated a SOS table built by Dave Brookhiser of Table Innovations, to assist children with sensory needs and visual impairments.

### **D. Grants: Alternative Education Grant, PEP Grant:** Grant application for Alternative Education is due in March. Committee has been working on this grant, questioning whether to give up the charter school. Pam Haffely working on PEP Grant.

### **E. Make-up Dates for Inclement Weather:** Our district had 4 days off due to weather and 2 of those days must be made up. Options are during spring break or end of school year. Motion by Winkler/Poirier to make up the two days on June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> with a 1:30 dismissal on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Carried 7-0.

### **F. Referendum Update:** Doreen shared steps that have taken place over the past several months utilizing referendum funds. New text books have been purchased for Social Studies, Archaeology and other replacements for HS classes. New netbooks have been purchased for the MS computer lab, two-way radios for staff to use during school day and at extracurricular events. Building repairs have begun with roof repairs, plumbing and maintenance equipment upgrades.

- G. Review Track and Field Proposal:** Discussion on whether the District should move ahead on the Track updates. Motion by Winkler/Page to table discussion until March. Carried 6-1.
- H. Resolution for Borrowing from Board of Commissioners of Public Lands:** Doreen presented information regarding State Trust Fund Loan Program for financing the Track resurfacing and MS/HS restroom remodel. Motion by Poirier/Cwik to grant authority to the district administration to submit a loan application to the Board of Commissions of Public Lands. Carried 7-0.
- I. Proposal for Lawn Care Service with Village:** – Jeff Smreck is working with the village to investigate potential cost savings to the district to outsource lawn mowing/trimming.
- J. Staff Advancement on Salary Schedule:** Barb Callahan congratulated Adele Jensen for receiving her Master’s degree as well as Karen Frey, Aime Martin and Lisa Kempany for their advancement on the scale. Motion by Page/Poirier to approve advancement. Carried 7-0.
- K. Staffing Recommendations – Temporary Custodian:** Interviews are complete, but no further action at this time.
- L. School Finance Network:** Underway. No action at this time.
- M. WASB Delegate Resolution form 2009 State Convention:** No action taken, just a pass/fail report.

**12. School Board President’s Report:** Tom Bush wished the winter sports teams good luck as they finish their seasons and enter into Regional competitions. Also discussed budget and stimulus package.

**13. Administrative Reports:**

Michelle Jensen: No report.

Barb Callahan: Congratulated Cindy Perucco for TAG award. Mentioned that the ES school received a “Sight the Senses” Table donated by the Janesville Kiwanis Club, which will be used for children with sensory needs and visual impairments. Melissa Hill and Pam Haffely are both presently working on Grants.

Doreen Treuden: No report

Jeff Stenroos: Jeff shared that the Certified Nursing Assistant class has 12 students enrolled and we received 2 donated hospital beds. Currently there are 39 students registered for the all school field trips.

Mark Becker: Held 4K and Kindergarten registration and registered approximately 40 students. Mark shared that the Summer School dates have been set for June 15-26, and July 6-24.

Upcoming Meetings were scheduled.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Poirier/Mack to adjourn at 10:10 pm. Carried 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Cwik  
Clerk