

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
January 11, 2016

President Donohue called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Forum with the following members present: Barton, Donohue, Prochaska, Ryan, Siegert, Wittman. Excused: Beytien. Additional officers of the Board present: Lucas, Rheingans. Executives present: Devaney, Kelleher, Kramer.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Jefferson Middle School students.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Barton) to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on December 14, 2015, as submitted. Motion carried 6-0.

Board Salutes

- Kris Hall, Sue Shaull and transportation department staff for being showcased in the Iowa Pupil Transportation Association newsletter
- Theisen's Home, Farm, Auto (Jim and Marita Theisen) for donating \$10,000 to support elementary schools in the district
- Table Mound Elementary School for hosting the Table Mound Mock Presidential Convention

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Barton) to suspend the rules of order and go into open forum. Motion carried 6-0.

Madeline Hilliard

Miss Hilliard, student at Washington Middle School, spoke in support of adding spring break to the 2016-17 school calendar.

Liz Weber, Title I teacher at Fulton School

Ms. Weber read her version of "I have a dream for the Dubuque Community Schools."

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to reinstate the rules of order and return to regular session. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Siegert) to approve those items listed in the consent agenda. Ms. Wittman was auditor for the month. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to approve the donation from Darryl, Dan, Jeff and Terry Mozena and Marty McNamer of a sculptured walnut ceiling to be installed at Senior High School in the appraised value of \$118,000.00. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to approve the Alliant Energy Commercial New Construction Rebate Proposal for Hempstead High School. Mr. Burkhart reported that the district received word from Alliant that the initial proposal of \$384,000 in rebates has been decreased to \$227,000. An investigation is underway to determine what caused this decrease, as the district did not change the energy efficient products purchased. After discussion, motion by (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to withdraw the aforementioned motion. Motion carried 6-0. Moved (Barton) and seconded (Prochaska) to table the Alliant Energy Commercial New Construction Rebate at this time. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Siegert) to approve, and authorize the Board President to sign, the resolution regarding contractor's request for partial early release of retained funds for the Hempstead High School Renovation Project. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Siegert) to approve the amendment to the agreement with Straka Johnson Architects, PC for the Senior High School Renovation Project in the amount of \$394,985.00. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to adopt the following Resolution for Final Acceptance and Closing Final Project Costs for the Public Improvement Contract with Beck Construction, Inc. WHEREAS, on June 8, 2015, Dubuque Community School District entered into a construction contract with Beck Construction, Inc. of Cascade, Iowa, "Contractor" for the construction of certain public improvements generally described as the Maintenance Department Storage Building Project ("Project"); and WHEREAS, on February 9, 2015, Dubuque Community School District entered into a contract with Anderson Design & Consulting, Inc. ("Architect") for architectural/engineering design services associated with the above Project; and WHEREAS, on November 26, 2015, Architect filed a certificate with Dubuque Community School District certifying that the contractor had substantially completed the construction of said public improvements in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract and plans and specifications. WHEREAS, the Architect has now submitted subsequent report, change order, bonds and pay application to Dubuque Community School District recommending that the project be accepted by the District as finally complete. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Dubuque Community School District: Section 1: That said reports and documents of the Architect are hereby approved and adopted. Section 2: That said public improvement is hereby approved and accepted as having been fully completed in accordance with said plans, specifications, and form of contract. Section 3: That the total contract cost of the improvement yet payable under said contract with Beck Construction, Inc. is hereby determined to be \$10,087.50. Section 4: That \$10,087.50 of the total contract cost yet paid shall be retained for a period of thirty (30) days following this board's action to finally accept this public improvement project, pursuant to the requirements of Iowa Code § 573.14. If at the end of the thirty-day period, claims are on file as provided the Dubuque Community School District shall continue to retain from the unpaid funds a sum equal to double the total amount of all claims on file. The remaining balance of the unpaid fund, or if no claims are on file, the entire unpaid fund, shall be released and paid to the contractor in accordance with Iowa law. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Siegert) to tentatively approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of total cost for the Hempstead and Senior High School Tennis Court Repair Project and set the date, time, and location as March 14, 2016, at 5:30 p.m., at the Forum, 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa, for a hearing thereon and further authorize the advertisement for competitive bids. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Siegert) to approve the amendment to the agreement with IIW, PC for the Hoover School Bus/Parking Lot Project in the amount of \$4,100.00. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Siegert) to tentatively approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of total cost for the Hoover School Bus/Parking Lot Project and set the date, time, and location as March 14, 2016, at 5:30 p.m., at the Forum, 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa, for a hearing thereon and further authorize the advertisement for competitive bids. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Prochaska) to tentatively approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of total cost for the Irving School Bus/Parking Lot Project and set the date, time, and location as March 14, 2016, at 5:30 p.m., at the Forum, 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa, for a hearing thereon and further authorize the advertisement for competitive bids. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Siegert) to adopt the following resolution for sale of personal property by public bid on GovDeals.com. WHEREAS, pursuant to Policy No. 8142 the district is offering the personal property listed for sale by public bid on GovDeals.com from January 4 to January 18, 2016 as follows: Wheel balancer, parts washing container, auto lift, 2002 Ford F450 truck with salt spreader and snow plow, computer equipment and telephones; and is giving notice thereof as required by said Policy; and WHEREAS, one or more of the items listed may draw a bid more than \$5,000.00, requiring notice, hearing and Board action to determine whether such bid or bids should be accepted. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED in the event any of the items listed draws a bid more than \$5,000.00, a public hearing shall be held on February 8, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at the Forum, 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa 52001 to determine whether such bid or bids should be accepted, notice of the time and place of the public hearing to be published in the *Telegraph Herald* as required. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to approve the monthly payment of \$157,515.00 to Four Oaks Family and Children Services for the months of January through May or until final contract approval. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Wittman) to approve the monthly payment of \$352,914.00 to Hillcrest Family Services, Inc. for the months of January through May or until final contract approval. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Barton) and seconded (Ryan) to approve the Quarterly Budget Report. Mr. Kelleher presented the Quarterly Budget Report. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Prochaska) to set the date, time and location for a public hearing on the 2016-17 school calendar for February 8, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at the Forum, 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Siegert) to approve the Proclamation honoring Martin Luther King Jr. and authorize the President and Secretary to sign on behalf of the Board. Motion carried 6-0. President Donohue read the proclamation and presented it to equity coordinator, Crissy Johnson.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Siegert) to approve the National School Counseling Week Proclamation and authorize the President and Secretary to sign on behalf of the Board. Motion carried 6-0. President Donohue read the proclamation and presented it to counselors Steph Weber and Joe Streit.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Barton) to expel student #800017 from attending school in the Dubuque Community School District until reinstated by the Board of Education. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Siegert) to take no further disciplinary action related to student #802129 at this time. Motion carried 6-0.

President Donohue declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Joni Lucas, Secretary
Board of Education