

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

**Board of Education
Regular Meeting
MS/HS IMC
January 20, 2025 6:00 p.m.**

BOE Present: Frame, Hart, Kessenich, Mack, Salkowski (arrived at 6:04), Sigurslid
BOE Absent: Fischer

Administration Present: Frey, Jensen, McDonough, Peachey, Treuden
Administration Absent: Kamrath

Others Present: Carli Eilenfeldt, Nicole Halverson, Piper Ryan

1. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by President, Lisa Sigurslid at 6:00 p.m. as duly posted under s.s. 19.84(1)(2)(c).

2. Call of Roll:

Present: Frame, Hart, Kessenich, Mack, Sigurslid

3. Proof of Posting:

Michelle Jensen presented proof of posting of meeting agenda on January 20, 2025 at the village hall, district buildings, and the district website.

4. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Frame/Hart to adopt the January 20, 2025 agenda as posted. Carried 5-0.

5. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Hart/Mack to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2024 regular meeting.
Carried 5-0.

6. Financial Report and Approval of Current Expenditures:

Doreen Treuden presented financial statements for October and November, noting total receipts of \$137,314.10 and vouchers of \$455,386.77 for October and receipts of \$164,050.21 and vouchers of \$436,286.03 for November. Motion by Sigurslid/Frame to approve the financial reports for October and November. A roll call vote is required to approve the current expenditures. All ayes.

7. Public Input: No public input.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Student School Board Representative Report: Piper Ryan reported that recent events include a blood drive and dress-up days before winter break. They are planning a Teacher in Paradise day for February.

B. Legislative Report: No report.

C. Policy-Personnel Committee Report: No report.

D. Health and Wellness Committee Report: Nick Mills sent a mental health survey to MS/HS students, progress is being made with the new menu software for the MS/HS, first aid was taught to some middle and high school students as a senior project. Choose your own Adventure event is being planned for March 6 at the elementary school.

E. Joint Interactive Committee Report: n/a

9. NEW BUSINESS-ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Donations to the District: Appreciation was given to recent donors for their support of the district: Barb Callahan, for her donation of \$100 to the Helping Hands scholarship; Kathy Rusch, for her donation of \$25 to the DEAR fund; Deerfield Lions Club, for its donation of \$3,000 to the middle school outdoor program; and Don's Home Furniture, for its donation of \$1,000 to the high school musical.

B. District Grants Update: No report.

C. Building Project Update: Michelle Jensen shared that the mechanical room is being put together with the necessary equipment, ceilings are being installed on second floor of the addition, tile work will begin in the addition's bathrooms. School start and end dates for the next two school years are being considered based on project timeline. South parking lot options continue to be explored.

D. Announcement of School Board Candidates: Michelle Jensen announced the two candidates for the April 1, 2025 election are Melissa Frame and Lisa Sigurslid.

E. Audit Report for 2023-24: Doreen Treuden shared that the findings are similar to last year, noting the full report is posted on the district website. Motion by Kessenich/Salkowski to accept the 2023-24 audit report as presented. Carried 6-0.

F. Open Enrollment Availability for 2025-26: Karen Frey presented the recommendation. Motion by Frame/Mack to approve open enrollment availability for 2025-26 as presented. Carried 6-0.

G. Summer School Dates for 2025: The summer school dates for 2025 were announced as follows: June 9-20 for session 1 and June 23-July 3 for session 2. Hours will be Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-noon.

H. Recommendation to Increase Prices for School Lunch Program: Doreen Treuden presented the recommendation of a \$.25 mid-year meal price increase due to budget challenges, noting a projected effective date on or around February 1, 2025. Motion by Hart/Salkowski to approve a \$.25 meal price increase as presented. Carried 6-0.

I. Overnight Trip Request for Spirit Squad State Competition in La Crosse January 31 - February 2, 2025: Michelle Jensen presented the request on behalf of Katelyn Gest, spirit squad coach. Motion by Salkowski/Frame to approve the trip request as presented. Carried 6-0.

J. Staffing Resignation(s) including but not limited to: No resignations.

K. Staffing Recommendation(s) including but not limited to: No recommendations.

L. Support Staff Employment Report: Michelle Jensen announced the resignation of Maria Bilogo, custodian.

10. School Board President's Report: No report.

11. Administrative Reports:

Michelle Jensen: Superintendent Jensen shared that she will be out of the office January 21-24 attending the State Education convention in Milwaukee, noting it is a well-scheduled event with many relevant learning opportunities.

Karen Frey: Mrs. Frey shared that middle students enjoyed a trivia game and digital escape room before winter break. Another fun day was spent ice skating with bingo and cookie decorating at the end of the day. The special education department has an opening for a long term substitute teacher.

Melinda Kamrath: Principal Kamrath's monthly report included information about the upcoming parent/teacher conferences in February. She offered thanks to the PTO for sponsoring the NED show this week which uses yo-yos as a tool to learn about friendship, bullying and good social skills in school.

Shannon McDonough: Principal McDonough announced that transcripts are available to families through Skyward Family Access. Prom planning is well underway and seniors attended an alumni panel earlier this month. They were able to ask questions and get some real world advice as they plan for their futures after graduation.

Laura Peachey: No report.

Doreen Treuden: No report.

12. Schedule Upcoming Meetings: Upcoming meetings were scheduled.

13. Adjournment: Motion by Mack/Hart to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelley Mack
Board Clerk