

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

**Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
MS/HS IMC  
March 18, 2024 6:00 p.m.**

BOE Present: Fischer, Frame, Hart (arrived at 6:29), Knudtson, Mack, Sigurslid  
BOE Absent: Michel

Administration Present: Frey, Jensen, Kamrath, McDonough, Peachey, Treuden  
Administration Absent: No one absent

Others Present: Jackson Drobac

**1. Call to Order:**

Meeting called to order by President, Lisa Sigurslid at 6:02 p.m. as duly posted under s.s. 19.84(1)(2)(c).

**2. Call of Roll:**

Present: Fischer, Frame, Knudtson, Mack, Sigurslid

**3. Proof of Posting:**

Michelle Jensen presented proof of posting of meeting agenda on March 12, 2024 at the village hall, district buildings and the district website.

**4. Approval of Agenda:**

Motion by Fischer/Frame to approve the March 18, 2024 agenda as posted. Carried 5-0.

**5. Approval of Minutes:**

Motion by Knudtson/Fischer to approve the minutes from the February 19, 2024 regular meeting. Carried 5-0.

**6. Financial Report and Approval of Current Expenditures:**

Laura Peachey presented financial statements for January, noting total receipts of \$2,857,438.78 and vouchers of \$524,057.39. Motion by Fischer/Frame to approve the financial reports for January. 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:** Jackson Drobac reported on some upcoming activities that include a door decorating contest, a blood drive on April 3, and a treasure hunt for mentor groups.

**B. Legislative Report:** Michelle Jensen reported that there are 61 operational referendums for the spring election on April 2.

**C. Policy-Personnel Committee Report:** Items will be addressed under New Business.

**D. Health and Wellness Committee Report:** It was reported that expanded student hours in the fitness center are well-attended, partnership with Dane County Sheriff's Department for Handle with Care initiative is in the implementation phase, and high school students in Contemporary Health Issues class will have Narcan training next week.

**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: Friends of CD Players Theater, for its donation of \$250 to the DEAR fund and Mary Strope, for her donation of \$150 to the DEAR fund.

**B. District Grants Update:** An application for an AODA grant was submitted. Hannah Riedl has been researching a peer mentoring grant, a suicide prevention grant, and opioid settlement monies.

**C. Building Project Update:** Michelle Jensen shared that the Village has approved the district's request for a street and sidewalk privilege permit, district is transitioning from Planning Team meetings to Construction Team meetings, final addendums to construction documents have been submitted, Vogel will mobilize onsite beginning March 25 and groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for May 14.

**D. Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Awarding the Sale of \$14,000,000 Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2024:** Doreen Treuden announced that nine bids were received with the lowest TIC coming in at 3.59% and noting a closing date of April 8, 2024. Motion by Fischer/Frame to approve the issuance and awarding of \$14,000,000 bond anticipation notes to Piper Sandler & Co. Roll call vote required. All ayes.

**E. Builders Risk Insurance for Building Project:** Doreen Treuden presented three quotes for consideration. Motion by Frame/Knudtson to approve Selective Insurance Co. as the vendor for the builders risk insurance. Carried 5-0.

**F. Early College Credit Requests for Fall 2024:** Michelle Jensen presented the requests. Motion by Knudtson/Fischer to approve the early college credit requests for fall 2024 as presented. Carried 5-0.

**G. Neola Policy Updates:** Michelle Jensen reviewed the policy updates and fielded questions. Motion by Fischer/Hart to approve the policy updates as presented. Carried 6-0.

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

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

**J. Support Staff Employment Report:** No report.

**K. Recognition of Board Member Service:** Michelle Jensen announced that Melissa Frame has served five years on the board. Sandy Fischer has served 20 years and is the longest-serving board member. Certificates were presented and appreciation given for their service.

**10. School Board President's Report:** Lisa Sigurslid expressed thanks to the chaperones on the recent Washington, D.C. trip. She gave a shoutout to the winter sport athletes that were recognized for academic all-conference honors.

**11. Administrative Reports:**

**Michelle Jensen:** Superintendent Jensen shared that the district will be updating the community on progress of the building project in various ways. She expressed appreciation for everyone's patience and flexibility as the project gets underway.

**Doreen Treuden:** No report.

**Karen Frey:** No report.

**Melinda Kamrath:** Principal Kamrath expressed thanks to Nancy Beszhak for organizing many activities for students during Read Across America week, the music department staff for recent concerts that were very enjoyable for families, and to the Elementary PTO for sponsoring the Veracity Irish Dancers.

**Shannon McDonough:** Principal McDonough shared recent student news: forensics team will compete this week striving to qualify for state competition in April, UAH attended a workshop where they collaborated with students from several other schools and the trip to Washington, D.C. was amazing for our students.

**Laura Peachey:** No report.

**12. Schedule Upcoming Meetings:** Upcoming meetings were scheduled.

**13. Adjournment:** Motion by Mack/Knudtson to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. Carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelley Mack  
Board Clerk