Deerfield Community School District 300 Simonson Boulevard Deerfield, WI 53531

Board of Education Regular Meeting MS/HS IMC August 19, 2024 6:00 p.m.

BOE Present: Frame, Hart, Knudtson (arrived at 6:04), Mack, Salkowski, Sigurslid

BOE Absent: Fischer

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

Administration Absent: No one absent

Others Present: No others present

1. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by President, Lisa Sigurslid at 6:01 p.m. as duly posted under s.s. 19.84(1)(2)(c).

2. Call of Roll:

Present: Frame, Hart, Mack, Salkowski, Sigurslid

3. Proof of Posting:

Michelle Jensen presented proof of posting of meeting agenda on August 9, 2024 at the village hall, district buildings, and the district website.

4. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Frame/Hart to approve the August 19, 2024 agenda as posted. Carried 5-0.

5. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Hart/Salkowski to approve the minutes from the July 15, 2024 regular meeting and July 23, 2024 and August 5, 2024 special meetings. Carried 5-0.

6. Financial Report and Approval of Current Expenditures:

No report due to the audit.

7. Public Input: No public input.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Student School Board Representative Report: No report.

B. Legislative Report: No report.

C. Policy-Personnel Committee Report: No report.

- **D.** Health and Wellness Committee Report: Upcoming events include a Sources of Strength training for middle/high school staff, Walking School Bus, and Walk the Track.
- **E. Joint Interactive Committee Report:** It was reported that Todd Willis, Village Administrator, has resigned effective September 9 and Nate Paoli will serve in the interim. School construction project is going well and the road and sidewalk closures will continue for the 2024-25 school year. Some township roads are being seal-coated.

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

- **A. Donations to the District:** Recognition was given to recent donors for their support of the district: St. Vincent De Paul, for its donation of an \$800 Amazon gift card and Vogel Foundation, for its donation of school supplies.
- **B. District Grants Update:** Nothing to report.
- C. Seclusion and Restraint Annual Report: Karen Frey reviewed the annual report.
- **D. Building Project Update:** Michelle Jensen provided a status update on the various areas that are being worked on, noting we are still on schedule for use of the new tech. ed. classrooms and lab space for the first day of school on August 26. The small gym, small gym locker rooms and mezzanine will be ready in mid to late October.
- **E.** Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Amendment with Vogel Bros. Building Co.: Doreen Treuden reviewed the amendment, noting the GMP of \$45,406,800.00. Motion by Frame/Mack to approve the guaranteed maximum price amendment from Vogel Bros. Building Co. as presented. Carried 6-0.
- **F. Citizens Advisory Committee Recommendation for November 2024 Referendum Election:** Michelle Jensen presented the CAC recommendation to hold a referendum for a 5-year non-recurring operational referendum in the amount of \$1M for the 2024-25 school year and \$1.5M each of the following four school years 2025-26 through 2028-29. Motion by Salkowski/Knudtson to approve the Citizens Advisory Committee recommendation as presented. Carried 6-0.
- **G.** Resolution to Exceed Revenue Cap Commencing with the 2024-25 School Year: Resolution was presented. Motion by Hart/Frame to approve the resolution to exceed the revenue cap commencing with the 2024-25 school year. Carried 6-0.
- H. Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Question of the Approval of a Resolution to Exceed the District's Revenue Cap Commencing with the 2024-25 School Year: Resolution was presented. Motion by Salkowski/Hart to approve the resolution providing for a referendum election on the question of the approval of a resolution to exceed the district's revenue cap commencing with the 2024-25 school year. Carried 6-0.
- **I. Staff Handbooks for 2024-25:** Michelle Jensen presented the proposed updates. Motion by Hart/Salkowski to approve the staff handbooks for 2024-25 as presented. Carried 6-0.
- **J.** Specialized Transportation for 2024-25: Doreen Treuden presented a request to purchase a used van with a wheelchair lift. Motion by Frame/Knudtson to approve the purchase of a used wheelchair accessible vehicle at a cost not to exceed \$55,000. Carried 6-0.
- K. MJ Care, Inc. Contract for Occupational Therapy Services for 2024-25: Karen Frey presented the 60 % contract at a cost of \$70.00 per hour plus \$.75 per mile. This is a shared position with Marshall School District. Motion by Hart/Mack to approve the MJ Care, Inc. contract for occupational therapy services for 2024-25 as presented. Carried 6-0.

- **L. Overnight Trip Request for High School Volleyball September 13-14, 2024:** Michelle Jensen presented the request on behalf of Matt Polzin. Motion by Mack/Salkowski to approve the overnight trip request for high school volleyball September 13-14, 2024 as presented. Carried 6-0.
- M. Staffing Resignation(s) including but not limited to: HS Math Teacher, HS EEN, School Social Worker: Administration presented the resignations of Rachel Polzin, high school math teacher; Jordan Winegar, high school special education teacher; Bret Wepking, elementary school physical education teacher; and Hannah Riedl, school social worker. Motion by Knudtson/Salkowski to accept the resignations and to assess liquidated damages fees as stated in contact language. Carried 6-0.
- N. Staffing Recommendation(s) including but not limited to: HS Math Teacher: Administration presented the recommendation of Michael Tamblyn, high school math teacher. Motion by Hart/Salkowski to approve the recommendation as presented. Carried 6-0.
- **O. Support Staff Employment Report:** Michelle Jensen announced recent resignations of Jessica Holmes, MS/HS administrative assistant and Sara Moreno, instructional assistant. Recent hires include Derek Schwenn, custodian; Grace Brattlie and Leanne Huber, instructional assistants.
- **10. School Board President's Report:** Lisa Sigurslid welcomed students and staff back for a new school year.

11. Administrative Reports:

Michelle Jensen: Superintendent Jensen expressed appreciation to the custodial staff who have been cleaning and sometimes recleaning due to construction.

Karen Frey: Mrs. Frey expressed thanks to the special education staff for stepping up to help cover each other due to shortage of teachers.

Melinda Kamrath: Principal Kamrath shared that elementary staff will be participating in a variety of trainings and meetings in the week leading up to the start date of September 3. Ready, Set, Go conferences are coming up on August 28 and she encouraged families to sign up through Skyward Family Access.

Shannon McDonough: Principal McDonough shared that ninth grade and seventh grade meetings will take place the night of Ready, Set, Go conferences on August 22. Fall sport practices have begun and seniors are preparing for their sunrise breakfast on August 26.

Laura Peachey: No report.

Doreen Treuden: No report.

- 12. Schedule Upcoming Meetings: Upcoming meetings were scheduled.
- **13. Adjournment:** Motion by Mack/Knudtson to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,