

**Special Meeting of the Board of Education (Tuesday, October 18, 2022)**  
**Delaware Academy Central School District at Delhi**  
**High School Auditorium**  
**2 Sheldon Drive, Delhi, NY 13753**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Tammy Neumann, Lucy Kelly, Seth Haight, Sean Leddy, Kimberly Shephard, James Tucker, Jr., Lauren Raba and Carter Tarrants

**Others Present:** Kelly M. Zimmerman, Superintendent, Carey Shultz, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Personnel, Lisa A. Kulaski, District Clerk, Crystal Trask, High School Principal, Deborah Liddle, Middle School Principal and Director of Special Education, Tyler Branigan and Will Outsen

**Opening of Meeting**

**Call to Order:**

President, Tammy Neumann called the Open Session of the Board of Education to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:05 p.m.

**Presentations**

**A. Presentation on the next Capital Project**

Superintendent, Kelly Zimmerman and Assistant Superintendent for Business and Personnel, Carey Shultz, gave a presentation on the next Capital Project.

Superintendent Zimmerman started the presentation with the District's Vision and Mission.

- Explained the reasoning behind capital projects.
  - Ensure students and staff have high quality and up-to-date facilities for teaching and learning.
  - Provide high quality facilities for community use.
  - Be fiscally responsible for long-term stability and sustainability.
- Discussed enrollment history and trends;
- Supplied a recent history of Delaware Academy capital and improvement projects.
- Briefly discussed the goals of the project.
- Detailed the potential scope of the capital project, including a virtual presentation of how the Technology and Agriculture Innovation Lab would look when reimaged as well as the Transportation area.
- Discussed potential work that could be done district wide and other spaces that could be considered in the project.

Mr. Shultz discussed financial planning and the considerations when planning capital projects.

- Detailed how debt reserve works.
- Discussed the construction process, contingency costs and incidental costs.

Several questions were asked by board members:

- When is the project voted upon?
- Will there be a staffing increase or decrease?
- For the technology space, are there any credentials or licensing that a student receives when they graduate?
- How many students would the technology space hold?
- Questions surrounding the athletic portion of the presentation.

Superintendent Zimmerman introduced Mr. David Gilmore from Highland Associates, Mr. David Degnon from Highland Associates and Mr. Corey Coyne with LeChase Construction Services, LLC who were all present to answer any further questions that the board had..

The Board thanked Mrs. Zimmerman and Mr. Shultz for their presentation.

**Public Comments**

President, Tammy Neumann, opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public comments.

## **New Business**

### **A. Discussion of the next Capital Project**

The board discussed the next Capital Project after the presentation was made.

### **Public Comments**

President, Tammy Neumann opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public comments.

### **Other Discussion**

#### **A. Board Comments**

There were no board comments.

### **Close Meeting**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, October 24, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the High School Library Media Center.

### **Adjourn Meeting**

On a motion made by Sean Leddy, seconded by Lucy Kelly, the Board of Education adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa A. Kulaski

District Clerk

BOE Approved: 11/14/2022