

## PROCEEDINGS OF REGULAR MEETING

The Delwood Board of Education met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, in the Cafeteria of the Delwood School, Delmar, Iowa. President Hackman called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Directors Meyer, Kilburg, Filloon, and Hackman answered roll call. Also present were Superintendent Fee, Board Secretary Swanson, and Principal Marty Marshall. Delwood district residents Jeff Swanson and Steven Whitmore were also in attendance. Director Eberhart was absent.

**Administrator's report:** Principal Marshall brought his dog, Willow, and gave a demonstration of the commands she has learned thus far. Willow's trainer said she is ready to work as a therapy dog with our students, and has already shown to be an asset to our school! Mr. Marshall also noted we had over 300 grandparents join us for Grandparent's Day! One of Delwood's new 'Action Teams' was in charge of organization, and the event went smoothly. Another action team provided a fun Iowa vs. Iowa State tailgating activity recently for students and staff. Games and snacks were provided during the last hour of school, and fun was had by all.

Superintendent Fee reminded the school board members of the opportunity to attend the IASB Conference which will be held November 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, with the Delegate Assembly to be held on the 15<sup>th</sup>. He also shared with the board that our Transportation Director has hired a driver for his Andrew district, and should be more flexible and able to meet Delwood's needs. Superintendent Fee praised Jeff Raab, Technology Director, for all he has done to this point for our district. Updates have been/will be made to technology, including the phones and security systems as well. Discussions are taking place with the Sheriff's Department regarding security, staff trainings, and evacuation sites. Information was also shared regarding taxation in a letter from the County Treasurer. Resident Steven Whitmore voiced his concern over the massive property tax increase, and Superintendent Fee provided what clarification he could at this time. He has been trying to contact the County Treasurer himself for further information. Mr. Whitmore left the meeting at 5:50 PM.

**Board Reports:** Director Filloon inquired about the candidate nominations received to this point. He also wondered how the new meal program was working. This is still a work in progress, but we are all on board to provide the best we can for our students, and the meal choices have gone over well. The next board meeting will be held October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

### General Business of the Board

5.1 Director Filloon moved and Director Meyer seconded to approve the consent items as follows: agenda; minutes from August 22; claims totaling \$65,662.08; finances as presented; open enrollments in from Maquoketa for Rylee Brewster (Kdg), as well as Davina Swarts (Kdg), and Naomi Swarts (2<sup>nd</sup>) from Easton Valley, and open enrollment out to Maquoketa for Tayla Schreiber (6<sup>th</sup>). 4/0, motion approved.

5.2 Director Kilburg moved and Director Meyer seconded to approve a request to the SBRC for supplemental weighting to offset our special education deficit in the amount of \$256,610.18. 4/0, motion approved.

There were no correspondence items, nor audience requests/comments.

Director Kilburg made a motion and Director Filloon seconded to adjourn.

At 6:03 PM, President Hackman adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by Denise Swanson, Board Secretary