

DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 14, 2019
Creekside Media Center

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:02pm by Board President Michael Wendorf.

A. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Ron Darr, Mara Greatorex, Daryl Kipke, Dick Lundy, Barbara Read, Julie Schumaker, Michael Wendorf, Student Representatives Chadley Robards and Annalisa Shehab

Members Absent: none

Administrative & Supervisory Staff: Sharon Raschke, Barb Santo, Christopher Timmis, Hope Vestergaard

DAA: Craig McCalla, Kit Moran, Mollie Sharrar

DEA: Jessica Baese, Ryan Fisher, Brian Baird, Beau Kimmey, Jaime Dudash, Chris MacKinder

DESPA: D'Ann Dunn

Guests: Kim Lindsay, Jodi Kinnard, Jennifer Arnold, Sarah Hunt, Brad Prall

Press: Lonnie Huhman (The Sun Times News), Melanie McIntyre (We Love Dexter)

B. MEETING MINUTES

Dick Lundy made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and closed meeting minutes from 9/16/2019 as presented. Daryl Kipke supported the motion.

Motion Carried (unanimous).

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Board policy provides that the Superintendent of Schools shall prepare an agenda for all meetings as directed by the President of the Board.

2. Julie Schumaker made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Dick Lundy supported the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

D. SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

1. Audit Presentation. Kim Lindsay of Rehmann Robson presented the results of the 2018-19 financial audit and answered Board member questions. The District received the highest ranking possible: a clean, unmodified audit.

E. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Superintendent Chris Timmis updated the Board on several items:

1. Additional School Nurse. The District is interviewing candidates for an additional school nurse (LPN or RN) to support a group of students with high medical needs.

2. Spanish Teacher. Due to the resignation included in this packet, the District is looking for a Spanish teacher. The Superintendent noted the difficulty hiring teachers in general and Spanish teachers in particular.

3. Exchange Programs. Two exchange groups – one from Germany and one from France – will be arriving next week. Their Dexter hosts will visit them in their native lands next spring and summer.

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F. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES UPDATE

1. Chad Robards told the Board about the DHS counseling office college application assistance week and various athletic team achievements.
2. Annalisa Shehab shared that she'd just returned from the field hockey team's first loss of the season and described an IB religion field trip to an Ann Arbor synagogue that left quite an impression on her.

G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Parent Jodi Kinnard made a suggestion for a program to increase school spirit across athletic teams.

H. CONSENT ITEMS

Julie Schumaker made a motion that the Board approve the consent items in bulk. Daryl Kipke seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

- The Board of Education accepted Kristi Shaffer's resignation.
- The Board of Education received the August budget report.

I. ACTION ITEMS

1. Social Media Guidelines. ~~Mara Greatorex read a prepared statement outlining what she sees as the significance of social media for school information sharing and expressing the reasons she supports the social media guidelines that the Board has discussed at the last three meetings.~~ Mara Greatorex made a motion that the Board of Education adopt the attached social media guidelines and that board members sign copies of the guidelines to indicate their commitment to them. Daryl Kipke seconded the motion. After discussion, Dick Lundy called the question. **Motion Carried (6-1, Read against).**
2. Approve Fund Balance Designations and Fund Balance Classifications. Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education approve the 2018-19 year-end fund balance designations as defined in the attached memo, and that the Board authorize by resolution the intent to define fund balance classifications for the 2019-20 fiscal year as defined in the attached memo. Daryl Kipke seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**
3. Accept Audit Report. Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education accept the 2018-19 Audit Report. Julie Schumaker seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**
4. Series I Amendment to Cover Costs Associated with Bates Renovation. Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education amend the 2017 Capital Projects Series I budget to allocate \$264,000 to renovate Bates School to relocate the district board office and central administration. Ron Darr seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**
5. Bid Package 23 – District Administration Relocation to Bates. Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education award contracts to Allied Building Service Co. in the amount of \$240,000 as outlined in the attached recommendation letter dated October 9, 2019, and assign them to Granger for management. Mara Greatorex seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

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6. Series I Amendment to Cover Costs Associated with Chiller and Cooling Towers. Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education amend the 2017 Capital Projects Series I budget to allocate \$1,000,000 to replace the DHS chiller and cooling towers and Creekside cooling towers. Ron Darr supported the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**
7. Approve Chiller and Cooling Towers Purchase (RFP #12). Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education approve the purchase of the DHS chiller from Johnson Controls for \$183,267 and the DHS and Creekside cooling towers from Baltimore Air Coil c/o Sarmento Mechanical Sales for \$134, 217 as shown in the attached recommendation letter dated October 9, 2019, and assign them to Granger for management. Mara Greatorex seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**
8. Deferment of DHS Flex Space to Series II of the Bond. Dick Lundy made a motion that the Board of Education defer the DHS Flex Space project to Series II of the 2017 Bond Issue. Ron Darr seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

J. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Superintendent Evaluation Process and Timeline Update. The Superintendent Evaluation Process and Timeline was previously discussed at the July 12 and July 22 meetings and has been updated to reflect the appropriate dates. Since there was no reason to further discuss the document, the Board opted to take action this evening. Julie Schumaker made a motion that the Board of Education approve the attached Superintendent Evaluation Process and Timeline drafted September 10, 2019. Mara Greatorex seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**
2. DHS Course Proposals. DHS Teachers Brian Baird, Jaime Dudash, Ryan Fisher, Beau Kimmey, and Christopher MacKinder shared with the Board proposals for the following new DHS courses: *AP Physics 2, Computer Science Principles and Coding, IB Math A&I SL, Forensic Science, IB Environmental Systems and Societies, Global Politics, and Multimedia Journalism.* Board members had the opportunity to ask questions. The community input sessions will be held prior to the next time they come before the Board.

K. BOND UPDATE

1. Lots of construction projects are being wrapped up before the end of the year, when the current contract with Granger ends.
2. The Board had the opportunity to ask questions about the bond construction reports from Granger.

L. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – none

M. BOARD COMMENTS

1. Community Chat Update. One person showed up for the community chat. Topics discussed included the community survey on communication and diversity efforts.

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2. Facility Committee Update. This was discussed during the action items.
3. Finance Committee Update. This was covered by the audit presentation and action items.
4. Facilities Committee Update. This was covered by the Bond Update and action items.
5. Julie Schumaker. Julie described the events at the MASB Behind the Scenes conference that nine people attended, including six community members.
6. Barbara Read. **Barbara spoke**. Barbara also described events at the MASB Behind the Scenes Conference.

N. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. MASB Article – More Productive Meetings
2. Draft Facilities Committee Minutes – 9/4/2019, 10/9/2019
3. Draft Finance Committee Minutes – 9/16/2019

O. CLOSED SESSION – none

At approximately 8:35pm, Dick Lundy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Daryl Kipke seconded the motion. **Motion Carried (unanimous).**

MINUTES/hlv

Approved as amended 11/11/2019

Mara Greatorex
Secretary
Board of Education