

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
November 9, 2020

President Ryan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Forum with the following members present in person: Prochaska, Ryan, Wittman. Present via Zoom: Bradley, Parks, Sainci. Absent: Donohue. Additional officers of the Board present: Kelleher, Rheingans.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Prochaska) to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried 6-0

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Prochaska) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on October 12, and the strategic plan update session on October 26, 2020, as submitted. Motion carried 6-0

Red Carpet Recognition

- Kennedy Principal Nick Hess introduced Kennedy teacher Charlie Schmeichel for recognition as the district's Teacher of the Year.

Board Salutes

- Premier Bank – for its donation of winter outerwear apparel
- Dubuque Senior and Hempstead Cross Country Teams – for their success at the state tournament, including Keelee Leitzen (state champion), Ryan Winger (state runner-up), Connor Kilgore (top 10 finisher), Lillian Schmidt (top 10 finisher)
- Dubuque Walmart Store – for its donation of school supplies
- District Communication Team and Principals – for its Principal Awareness Month campaign to highlight principals and their impact in the district
- Hempstead Volleyball Team – for its appearance at the State Tournament and its outstanding season, as well as to the coaches in volleyball and all sports for their leadership

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Prochaska) to suspend the rules of order and go into open forum. Motion carried 6-0

Karmella Sellers, Bryant/Kennedy teacher, spoke on behalf of the Educational Justice group and provided the group's recommendations related to equity initiatives in the district.

Haley Lammer-Heindel, Senior High School teacher, shared her concern with the COVID numbers and their impact on schools/staff.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Prochaska) to reinstate the rules of order and return to regular session. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Wittman) to approve those items listed in the consent agenda. Prochaska was auditor for the month. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Wittman) to approve the donation for an upright console piano and bench to Eisenhower Elementary School. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Wittman) to approve final acceptance of the Irving Elementary School Storm Water Management Project as all project costs have been paid to McDermott Excavating in accordance with the requirements of Iowa law and as more fully outlined in the submitted authorizing resolution. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Wittman) to authorize the district's administration to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee in the amount of \$371,520 (or as determined by the Iowa Department of Education following DE audit review) for Modified Supplemental Amount for open enrolled out students not included in the district's previous year's certified enrollment count. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Wittman) to authorize the district's administration to submit a request to the School Budget Review Committee in the amount of \$117,842 (or as determined by the Iowa Department of Education following DE audit review) for Modified Supplemental Amount for providing an English language learner program for students who have exceeded five years of weighted funding in Fall 2020. Motion carried 6-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Wittman) to set the date, time, and place for public hearing on the proposed 2021-22 and 2022-23 school calendars as December 14, 2020, at 5:30 p.m. at the Forum. Motion carried 6-0.

President Ryan declared the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Mike Cyze, Secretary Pro-tem
Board of Education