

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Educational Programs/Policy Committee

BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES

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- A. Date agenda was posted for meeting: April 1, 2022
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  - C. Board Committee: **Educational Programs/Policy Committee**
  - D. Date and Time of Meeting: **April 5, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.**
  - E. Place of Meeting: The Forum
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Board members present: Anderson Sainci, Nancy Bradley, Lisa Wittman, Jim Prochaska, Tami Ryan, Kate Parks and Katie Jones came at 4:19. District representatives present: Lisa Tebockhorst, Julie Lange, and Brenda Duvel.

Nancy Bradley called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Elementary ELA Curriculum Purchase

Lisa Tebockhorst spoke to the committee regarding an additional ELA purchase for Teacher online subscriptions from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) for an estimated cost of \$26,250.00 for 7 years of online access. Brenda Duvel, director of special education, asked the committee about purchasing additional ELA teacher licenses to support special education teachers from HMH for an estimated cost of \$41,162.24. Board 4.11.22

Online School Update

Julie Lange, director of digital literacy, updated the committee on the approval of the state-accredited permanent online school for grades sixth through twelve. This approval will help retain the students who are currently enrolled in the district's online program. Students will need to commit for a trimester at the middle school level and semester at the high school level. Both Edgenuity and Canvas will continue as the online platform used by the program. The program will require 6 full-time positions that will be filled by current staff. Hiring an administrator will happen in the next few weeks. Families will be notified when the application period is set.

Excuse Seniors from Making Up Snow Days

This is an annual request asking the Board to excuse seniors from making up snow days. Board 4.11.22

Policy #6214 Parent Conferences

Reviewed – Board 4.11.22

Policy #6215 Elementary Class Size

Reviewed – Board 4.11.22

Policy #6300 Academic Letters

Reviewed – Board 4.11.22

Other Items

President Kate Parks brought forward two possible resolutions opposing vouchers and the transparency in education bill. After discussion on both, it was agreed that a statement opposing vouchers would be put on the agenda for the April 11<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Superintendent Stan Rheingans stated he will give the Board more information related to the transparency bill. Board 4.11.22

Hiring update

Amy Hawkins told the committee that an announcement of new HR director will be in the next few days and that interviews for a new principal at Senior will happen next week.

The next meeting was scheduled for May 3, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Carolyn Mauss, Board Secretary  
Board of Education