

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Educational Programs/Policy Committee

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- A. Date agenda was posted for meeting: September 1, 2022
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 - C. Board Committee: **Educational Programs/Policy Committee**
 - D. Date and Time of Meeting: **September 7, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.**
 - E. Place of Meeting: The Forum
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Board members present: Nancy Bradley, Lisa Wittman, Jim Prochaska, Anderson Sainci, Kate Parks, Tami Ryan, and Katie Jones. District representatives present: Lisa Tebockhorst, Mimi Holesinger, Shirley Horstman, Brenda Duvel, Mary Bridget Deutsch, and Lori Anderson.

Nancy Bradley called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Priority Initiative #5-Attendance

Shirley Horstman, Director of Student Services presented with Mary Bridget Deutsch, who works with student services-student attendance/homelessness. We are seeing higher numbers of homeless students this year (118) compared to last year at the same time (77). McKinney-Vento is a federal program which identifies students as homeless and work to provide them with support. Currently, Deutsch is working with the school registration process to identify additional homeless students. Deutsch also supports the district student mentoring program. She is working on recruitment and updating the website. Last year the district had 121 mentors and 88 are returning. They are also adding 36 new mentors that brings the total to 124. Shirley Horstman presented on suicide prevention, intervention and postvention. She is developing a program manual that will be available on the district website.

Educational Programs

Lori Anderson Special Education and Brenda Duvel, Director of Special Education updated the committee on the Transition Alliance Program (TAP) contract that she has had for the last 8 years. Two staff members who work with teachers working with students in special education and 504 plans. Federal program with business connections. We currently have 150 students per high school that are in this program.

Professional Service Contract-IVRS for TAP contract with IVRS for career and college readiness supports for students on IEP or 504 for the 22-23 school year at an estimated cost of \$240,690.30. (IVRS reimburses the DCSD for 50% of the monthly costs.) Board 9.12.22

IASB Legislative Priorities

Superintendent Amy Hawkins suggested the Iowa Association of School Boards (IASB) consider the following legislative priorities: Achievement gap from loss of in-person instruction, mental health, teacher recruitment and licensure, dropout/at risk, and supplemental state aid. Anderson Sainci recommended adding preschool as a priority with full day programming and Nancy Bradley recommended adding Area Education Agencies.

Policy #5200 Student Behavior: Expectations and Consequences

Revised– Board 9.12.22

Other Items

The next meeting was scheduled for October 4, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Carolyn Mauss, Board Secretary
Board of Education