

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Educational Programs/Policy Committee

BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES

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  - A. Date agenda was posted for meeting: September 30, 2022
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  - C. Board Committee: **Educational Programs/Policy Committee**
  - D. Date and Time of Meeting: **October 4, 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, Brenda Duvel, Lynn Glaser, Michelle Leicht, Mark Fassbinder, Rob Powers, and Julie Lange.

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

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Priority Initiative #2-Early Childhood Programming

Lisa Tebockhorst, Executive Director of Elementary Education, Lynn Glaser, and Michelle Leicht updated the board about early childhood programming in the District. We currently have forty-one preschool sites and are up twenty-eight students at the DCSD sites. Last year totals from enrollment in early childhood were at 701 and this year they are at 810. This shows a rebound in numbers to pre Covid totals. Workforce challenges are experienced all across childcare centers. The District has used paraprofessionals to assist at the District preschool centers with before school care. Work continues with community partners to increase participation in preschool and supporting families to lift barriers for participation for our youngest learners. Goal is to provide quality childcare as well as preschool programs and increase access for all families

Summer School Wrap Up

Joe Maloney updated the Board on the Summer Academy program which ran from July 5-29<sup>th</sup>, Monday through Thursday. Students could attend all day or just morning and transportation was provided to each school site. Two-hundred and ten of the six-hundred eighty-five 1<sup>st</sup> graders in the District attended the academy. Test scores this fall for the thirty-one percent of 1<sup>st</sup> graders that attended showed that ninety-six percent of students either maintained or improved their scores from where they were in the spring of 2022. Looking ahead to next summer, Maloney said he would like to get the participation rate over forty percent with a goal to get information to families sooner than later so families have that information for planning purposes. Also, Maloney's team will start to work with community partners to add more enrichment opportunities in the afternoon to have more structured and varied activities which enriches the quality of the program.

Instructure (Canvas) Purchase Contract

Purchase contract with Canvas Instructure for learning management system for grades 6-12 for seven years at an estimated cost of \$362,771.78.00. Board 10.10.22

Policy #4606 Abuse of Students by School District Employees

Revised– Board-10.10.22

Policy #9012 Radon Mitigation

New Policy– Board-10.10.22

The next meeting was scheduled for November 8, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Carolyn Mauss, Board Secretary