

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Board Meeting

September 11, 2023

President Parks called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Forum with the following members present: Bradley, Jones, Parks, Prochaska, Ryan, Sainci and Wittman. Additional officers of the Board present: Mauss, Hawkins. Also present: Brian Kuhle and Kevin Kelleher

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on August 14, and the Special Meeting of September 5, 2023, as submitted. Motion carried 7-0.

Board Salutes:

- Dubuque Racing Association for \$125,000.00 each of the next 3 years.
- DCSD staff across the district for handling the heat and supporting students
- Members of the Dubuque Black Men Coalition who showed up on first day of school to give Prescott students a high five.
- Students and directors of the marching bands at Senior High School, Washington Middle School, and Roosevelt Middle School for participating in the Labor Day Parade.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to suspend the rules of order and go into open forum. Motion carried 7-0.

- Susan Meehan, Principal at Irving Elementary School, presented on what's going well at Irving.
- Erica Davidson, from Impact Life Blood Services, spoke of the partnerships with Prescott and Hempstead for blood drives.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) as to reinstate the rules of order and return to regular session. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Bradley) to approve those items listed in the consent agenda. Katie Jones was auditor for the month. Motion carried 7-0.

Board member Jim Prochaska gave the facility and support services committee report.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Ryan) to approve Change Order #11 to Tricon General Construction on the Senior High School Renovation Phase II Project in the increased amount of \$68,658.96. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Jones) to approve Change Order #1 to Tricon Construction Group on the Eisenhower Mechanical Replacement Project in the decreased amount of \$135,928.51. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Ryan) to approve the Amended Agreement with Straka Johnson Architects, PC for the Dubuque Initiatives- DCSD Preschool Renovations in the amount of \$195,322.50. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Ryan) to tentatively approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of total cost for the Dubuque Initiatives-DCSD Preschool Renovations Project and set the date, time, and location as December 4, 2023, at 5:30 p.m., at the Dubuque Community School District, 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa, for a hearing thereon and further authorize the advertisement for competitive bids. Motion carried 7-0.

Board member Nancy Bradley gave the educational programs/policy committee report.

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Sainci) to take no further disciplinary action related to student #1020233467. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Hawkins- stated that despite the heat, the start of school of school has been going great. The intercity football game was highly attended by fans on Friday night.

Hawkins also mentioned that the next General Obligation Bond information meeting will be held September 27, at Eisenhower Elementary from 5:30 to 6:30.

President Parks declared the meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Carolyn Mauss, Secretary

Board of Education

