

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Board Meeting

November 13, 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 (Ryan) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on October 9, 2023, and the special meeting of October 23, 2023, as submitted. Motion carried 7-0.

Board Salutes:

- Casts and staff of The Lion, the witch and the Wardrobe at Hempstead and Beauty and the Beast at Senior for their outstanding performances
- Protectors Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club for their donation of winter outerwear
- Girls State Cross Country and State Swimming and Diving for outstanding achievement at the state competition
- Staff and volunteers who helped with the general obligation bond vote
- Brian Howes, Principal of Senior High School, presented the teacher of the year certificate to Cassie McDonald

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

- Mark Lawler and Bobbie Jones, Assistant Principals at Roosevelt Middle School, presented on what's going well at Roosevelt Middle School
- Carl Bobis, Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America
- Rosean Schromen-spoke about general obligation bond

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

Moved (Ryan) and seconded (Sainci) to approve those items listed in the consent agenda. Jim Prochaska 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 (Wittman) that the Board of Education approve Change Order #13 to Tricon Construction Company on the Senior High School Renovation Phase II Project in the increased amount of \$96,030.00. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Jones) to approve final acceptance of the Transportation Fuel System Replacement Project and authorize payment of final project costs to METCO in the amount of \$154,355.31 in accordance with the requirements of Iowa law and as more fully outlined in the submitted authorizing resolution. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Jones) to tentatively approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of total cost for the Lincoln Elementary School Playground and set the date, time, and location of Public Hearing as January 2, 2024, at 4:30 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.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Ryan) approve Change Order #1 to Eastern Iowa Excavating & Concrete on the Sageville Elementary School Culvert Replacement Project in the increased amount of \$2,065.00. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Prochaska) and seconded (Ryan) that the Board of Education approve final acceptance of the Sageville Elementary School Culvert Replacement Project and authorize payment of final project costs to Eastern Iowa Excavating and Concrete in the amount of \$267,883.75 in accordance with the requirements of Iowa law and as more fully outlined in the submitted authorizing resolution. Motion carried 7-0.

Board member Nancy Bradley gave the Educational Programs/Policy Committee report.

Moved (Bradley) and seconded (Jones) that the Board of Education approve policy #6210 Graduation Requirements. Motion Carried (6-1).

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Bradley) that the Board of Education approve the District Emergency Operations Plan. Motion Carried (7-0).

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) that the Board of Education set the date time and Place for Public Hearing on the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school calendars as December 11, 2023, at 5:30 PM at the Forum. Motion Carried (7-0).

Moved (Bradley) and seconded (Jones) that the Board of Education authorize the board secretary to cast ballots for Keystone AEA Board of Directors: Jean McDonald, District 8 and Cindy Steffens, District 9. Motion Carried (7-0).

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Bradley) that the Board of Education take no further disciplinary action related to student #1604849826. Motion Carried (7-0).

Board member Sainci thanked Superintendent Hawkins, her leadership team and the Yes committee for their work on the general obligation bond.

President Parks declared the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

*Carolyn Mauss*

Carolyn Mauss, Secretary  
Board of Education