

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting
January 13, 2025

President Parks called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Forum with the following members present: Bradley, Hamel, Jacobitz-Kizzier, Jones, Parks, Sainci, and Wittman. Additional officers of the Board present: Demmer, Mauss, Hawkins.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and was led by Audubon Elementary students.

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

Moved (Jones) and seconded (Jacobitz-Kizzier) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 9, 2024, special meeting of January 6, and special meeting of January 8th, 2025, as submitted. Motion carried 7-0.

Board Salutes

- Hempstead High School students Christiana Alkhoury, Aadi Patel and Brendon Zheng, who earned a Medal of Excellence in Congressional Debate this past Friday and Saturday in the Iowa High School Speech Association State Debate Tournament
- Prescott Family Involvement Network and Prescott Elementary School students and staff for their outstanding work with Prescott's Soup Luncheon Fundraiser

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

- Ed Glaser, Principal at Audubon Elementary, presented to the board about what is going well at Audubon Elementary School.
- Five community members spoke against the closing of Hoover Elementary School.

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

Moved (Jones) and seconded (Bradley) to approve those items listed in the consent agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

Vice President, Wittman gave the Facilities and Support Services update.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jacobitz-Kizzier) to approve the request to the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) for modified supplemental amount and supplemental aid for the 2025-2026 Dropout Prevention Program in the amount of \$5,145,804, based on the formula and match, for expenditures necessary to implement the 2025-2026 at-risk and dropout prevention program plans. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jacobitz-Kizzier) to tentatively approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of total cost for the Eleanor Roosevelt Middle School Repaving/Storm Water Project and set the date, time, and location as February 3, 2025, 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 (Wittman) and seconded (Jacobitz-Kizzier) to approve the Quarterly Budget Report. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Amy Hawkins provided an update to the Board on the district's recommendation to close Hoover Elementary School at the conclusion of the current 2024-2025 school year.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jones) to approve the 2024-2025 Board Committees. Motion carried 7-0.

Moved (Wittman) and seconded (Jacobitz-Kizzier) to approve the Martin Luther King Jr. Proclamation. Motion carried 7-0.

President Parks declared the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Carolyn Mauss, Secretary
Board of Education