

Administration Center-Board Room Grimes, Iowa 50111

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Please contact Superintendent Scott Grimes or Michelle Wearmouth if you would like to speak about items appearing on the agenda. scott.grimes@dcgschools.com , michelle.wearmouth@dcgschools.com

Link to meeting details: https://tinyurl.com/DCGSimbli

#### **Attendees**

## **Voting Members**

Kathie Hicok, President Ryan Carpenter, Vice-President Mark Wills, Director Marco Bejarno, Director Monica Malmberg, Director Brandon McNace, Director Kim Praska, Director

# **Non-Voting Members**

Scott Grimes, Superintendent Jill Van Woerkom, Associate Superintendent Michelle Wearmouth, Board Secretary

#### 1. Members present/Acknowledge quorum

President Hicok called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken by the secretary and a quorum was acknowledged.

## 2. Receive Visitors and Read Miscellaneous Communications

President Hicok asked if there were any members of the audience who wished to speak to an item on the agenda. Twelve individuals addressed the board regarding the first reading of policies regarding objection to instructional materials, and the makeup of the reconsideration committee. Speakers included Tess Meggison, Alex Pries, Lindsey Veach, Matt Pries, Lily Holcomb, Kirsten Britt, Nicole Stiles, Savannah Mcabee, Ryan Willianson, Anna Briggeman, Kody Nielsen, and Angela Wennell. President Hicok thanked all speakers for addressing the Board on this issue.

# 3. Approval of Agenda

Approve Agenda as published.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

#### 4. Appoint a temporary chair person.



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Nominate Superintendent Grimes as temporary chair.

Motion made by: Marco Bejarno Motion seconded by: Mark Wills

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

## 5. Elect President / Give Oath of Office

Approve Kathie Hicok as President for 2022-23.

Motion made by: Ryan Carpenter Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

#### 6. Elect Vice-President / Give Oath of Office

Approve Ryan Carpenter as Vice-President for 2022-23.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

Board secretary Michelle Wearmouth administered the Oath of Office to President Kathie Hicok and Vice-President Ryan Carpenter.

## 7. Approved minutes of previous meetings

Approve the minutes from the regular board meeting on Monday, October 24, 2022 and Board Workshop Monday, November 21, 2022.

Motion made by: Marco Bejarno Motion seconded by: Ryan Carpenter

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

#### 8. Presentation of bills for approval

Approve the bills as presented.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Ryan Carpenter

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

## 9. Consent Agenda

Approve the consent agenda as presented.



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Motion made by: Marco Bejarno Motion seconded by: Mark Wills Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

- a. Open enrollment
- b. Contract Approvals, Resignations and Changes
- c. Annual Maintenance July 2022-23 Worker's Right to Know
- d. Donation of Furniture from Office Installations Systems for Heritage and Middle School
- e. Tuition Agreement- Timothy Schindel District to pay the training required before taking Bus Driver CDL
- f. MOU for Teacher/Paraeducator Registered Apprenticeship (TPRA) Grant Upper Iowa
- g. Education Services Agreement with Iowa City CSD
- h. Inter-Agency Contract for Special Education OUT
- i. PaperCut Software and Maintenance Purchase from Infomax

## 10. Reports

a. Written Reports

# **b. Building Level Reports**

Principal April Heitland presented to the Board regarding North Ridge elementary improvement goals for 22-23 school year and student data on several benchmarks. Board members asked questions regarding testing data and correlations.

## c. Associate Superintendent

# i. November Early-outs

Associate Superintendent Jill Van Woerkom reviewed activities from the November early out professional development days.

# d. Superintendent

i. Building Permits within the District



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Superintendent Grimes reviewed building permits filed within the District.

## ii. Facilities

Superintendent Grimes reviewed construction at the high school facility. He also reviewed the upcoming roof project at the middle school.

#### iii. Enrollment

Superintendent Grimes reviewed enrollment figures in comparison with the demographic report. He reported that kindergarten numbers were down in the current year. He reviewed the number projected for next year, and staffing associated with those projections.

## iv. Future Meeting Presentations

Superintendent Grimes reviewed future meeting presentations.

## e. Business Manager

## i. Revenue and Expenditure Summary Report

Business Manager Michelle Wearmouth reviewed the Revenue and Expenditure comparison report for the month ending October 2022.

## ii. Public Budget Comparison

Business Manager Michelle Wearmouth reviewed the Public Budget Comparison report November 21, 2022.

## iii. SBRC Application for MSA for Increased Enrollment and LEP Beyond 5 years

Business Manager Michelle Wearmouth reviewed the request for modified supplemental amount (MSA) spending authority due to increased enrollment of 83.90 students for a request for \$621,950.70.

Business Manager Michelle Wearmouth reviewed the request for modified supplemental amount (MSA) spending authority for providing instruction to limited English proficient (LEP) students being served beyond the five years of weightings. We have 9.0 students qualifying for weighting totaling a request of \$20,978.79.

Mrs. Wearmouth stated that this is a total request to the SBRC for MSA of \$642,929.49, and the board will consider this request in New Business.

# iv. Instructional Support Levy proposed calendar of Board Action

Business Manager Michelle Wearmouth reviewed the calendar of upcoming proposed actions for the Board to renew the Instructional Support Levy.

# v. Review of Redistricting process, information from Ahlers, and three proposed maps

Business Manager Michelle Wearmouth presented requested information from our legal counsel



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regarding changing to seven At-Large director seats instead of 3 at large and 4 director districts. She also reviewed the requirements for redistricting if the board chose to remain with 4 director districts and three at large seats.

The Board directed Mrs. Wearmouth to contact legal counsel for a resolution at an upcoming meeting to change the makeup of the board to all at-large director seats.

#### vi. 2022 IASB District #5 Ballot Information and Board Vote to be cast

Business Manager Michelle Wearmouth reviewed the candidates running for the office of director of IASB district #5.

#### f. Board Members

#### 11. Old Business

# a. Second Reading of Listed Policies

Approve 2nd reading of policies presented.

• 203, 401.14, 402.02, 408.01, 501.14, 501.15, 505.05, 507.02, 802.04, 804.07, 804.07R1, 901

Motion made by: Ryan Carpenter

Motion seconded by: Monica Malmberg

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

## b. Second Reading of Policies with Number Change

Approve 2nd reading of policies with new number:

601.02, 602.01, 602.02, 602.03, 605.04, 605.05, 607.02

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

# c. Rescind policies due to change in number

Rescind policies due to change in number.

• 601.3, 602.14, 602.15 602.16, 603.12, 603.13, 603.13R, 604.02

Motion made by: Ryan Carpenter Motion seconded by: Brandon McNace

Voting:



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#### 12. New Business

# a. Set monthly meeting days, time (7:00 p.m.), and location

Set the regular monthly meeting of the Board for 7:00 PM, on the fourth Monday of each month, (except for the months of December 2022 and July 2023). All Board meetings shall be in the Boardroom at the Administration Center unless otherwise published. Director Carpenter discussed the possibility of additional board meetings. President Hicok noted work sessions set in addition to regular meetings.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Ryan Carpenter

Voting:

**Unanimously Not Approved** 

# b. Set monthly meeting days, time (5:30 p.m.), and location

Set the regular monthly meeting of the Board for 5:30 PM, on the fourth Monday of each month, (except for the months of December 2022 and July 2023). All Board meetings shall be in the Boardroom at the Administration Center unless otherwise published.

Motion made by: Kim Praska Motion seconded by: Mark Wills

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

# c. Board committees: School and District level, IASB Delegate and Alternate, and county conference boards

Approve all required district committees, School and District level, IASB Delegate and Alternate, and county conference boards as discussed.

Motion made by: Ryan Carpenter

Motion seconded by: Monica Malmberg

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

**Buildings Grounds & Transportation**: Bejarno, Carpenter, McNace

**Negotiations**: Carpenter, Hicok, Wills **Legislative Representative**: Wills

**County Conference Board**: Hicok (Polk), Wills (Dallas)

**Student Services**: Hicok

**SIAC**: Malmberg, McNace, Praska

Facility Planning: Bejarno, Malmberg, Praska

**Policy Review**: Malmberg, Hicok



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## d. First reading of Board Policy Instructional Materials

Approve First Reading of listed Instructional Materials policies:

- 605.01, 605.01R,
- 605.02, 605.02R,
- 605.03, 605.03R, 605.03E1, 605.03E2, 605.03E3, 605.04E4

Superintendent Grimes discussed his recommendations for this policy, including students on the committee as non-voting members, 3 staff members, 3 community members, and a chairperson. The committee would function under simple majority vote by private ballot.

Director Bejarno asked that, since the private ballot is utilized, should the students be voting members? Discussion occurred.

Director Carpenter advocated for four community members on the committee.

Director McNace asked about why high school students were designated. Director McNace asked how books were removed in the past without the use of the reconsideration committee, and Superintendent Grimes stated that the book question was checked out. Director McNace stated that he is not part of a special interest group, and wanted to clarify that point. Director McNace asked why the policy presented tonight was changed from the session one week ago. Director McNace stated he agrees with a chairperson role.

President Hicok stated she feels high school students need voting status, and that she feels three community members and three staff would be a consensus building committee. She also feels that we should value the experience and education of our teachers in these matters.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno

Voting:

**Unanimously Not Approved** 

## e. First reading of Board Policy Instructional Materials

Approve First Reading of listed Instructional Materials policies as written with the following change to 605.03.R1 section 10 to include eight members selected by the superintendent and approved annually by the Board comprised of three licensed staff members, four community members, one administrator serving as chairperson, and zero students.

- 605.01, 605.01R,
- 605.02, 605.02R,
- 605.03, 605.03R, 605.03E1, 605.03E2, 605.03E3, 605.04E4

Motion made by: Ryan Carpenter
Motion seconded by: Brandon McNace
Voting:
Kathie Hicok - No
Ryan Carpenter - Yes
Mark Wills - No
Marco Bejarno - No



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Monica Malmberg - No Brandon McNace - Yes Kim Praska - No

# f. First reading of Board Policy Instructional Materials

Approve First Reading of listed Instructional Materials policies as written with the following change to 605.03.R1 section 10 to include two high school students as voting members appointed by the high school principal and approved by the superintendent with all votes to occur by anonymous ballot.

- 605.01, 605.01R,
- 605.02, 605.02R,
- 605.03, 605.03R, 605.03E1, 605.03E2, 605.03E3, 605.04E4

Motion made by: Marco Bejarno Motion seconded by: Mark Wills Voting: Kathie Hicok - Yes Ryan Carpenter - No Mark Wills - Yes Marco Bejarno - Yes Monica Malmberg - Yes Brandon McNace - No Kim Praska - Yes

# g. Request to SBRC for Modified Supplemental Authority (MSA) for On-time Increased Enrollment the LEP Beyond 5 years

Approve a total request to the SBRC for MSA of \$642,929.49.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

# h. First Reading of Listed Policies

Approve First Reading of listed Policies:

• 710.01 E(1) - Nutrition Program Sales and Account Balances - Notice of Nondiscrimination - updated Federal Language

Motion made by: Ryan Carpenter Motion seconded by: Mark Wills Voting:



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## i. Sale of Items on GovDeals

Approve sale of listed items on GovDeals.

Motion made by: Marco Bejarno Motion seconded by: Mark Wills

Voting:

**Unanimously Approved** 

# j. 2022 IASB District #5 Ballot to be cast

Recommend that the board choose Chad Crabb for Director District #5 for submission to IASB.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno

Voting:

Kathie Hicok - Abstain Ryan Carpenter - Yes Mark Wills - Yes Marco Bejarno - Yes Monica Malmberg - Yes Brandon McNace - Yes Kim Praska - Yes

## k. Amendment to Existing Lease

Approve Amendment to Existing Lease Agreement.

Motion made by: Marco Bejarno Motion seconded by: Mark Wills

Voting:

Kathie Hicok - Yes

Ryan Carpenter - Abstain

Mark Wills - Yes

Marco Bejarno - Yes

Monica Malmberg - Yes

Brandon McNace - Yes

Kim Praska - Yes

## I. Financial Statements

Approve the financial statements as presented for October 2022.

Motion made by: Mark Wills

Motion seconded by: Monica Malmberg

Voting:



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# m. Board Commendations

Approve Board Commendations.

Motion made by: Ryan Carpenter Motion seconded by: Marco Bejarno Voting: Unanimously Approved

# 13. Written and oral communications

# a. Next regular board meeting,

Next regular board meeting, Monday, December 19, 2022.

# 14. Adjourn Regular Meeting

Motion to adjourn at 9:38 p.m.

Motion made by: Marco Bejarno

Motion seconded by: Monica Malmberg

Voting: