

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
EDUCATION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 28-0015,
a/k/a, DOUGLAS COUNTY WEST COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Monday, August 16, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, District #15, in the County of Douglas, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on Monday, August 16, 2021 at the Central Office Board Room, 401 South Pine Street, Valley, NE 68064-0378.

Following public notification procedures approved by the Board of Education, February 14, 2011, in adherence to 84-1411, notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting such Notice on the exterior front door of the high school, elementary school, middle school, Valley City Hall, First Nebraska Bank, and Foundation One Bank. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the Board of Education of the meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM.

Kelly Hinrichs: Present
Luke Janke: Present
Jamie Jorgensen: Present
Bill Koile: Present
Elizabeth Mayer: Present
Patrick McCarville: Present

1. Call to Order

The agenda, listing items for consideration by the Board, is on file in the Superintendent's office. Other matters may come before the Board and the Board has the right to modify the agenda before the meeting.

President – “As I call the meeting to order I wish to inform everyone present that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the Board Room for your review at any time.”

2. Public Communications and Correspondence

Comments from the audience were accepted at this time.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda as presented passed with a motion by Jamie Jorgensen and a second by Patrick McCarville.

Kelly Hinrichs: **Yea**, Luke Janke: **Yea**, Jamie Jorgensen: **Yea**, Bill Koile: **Yea**, Elizabeth Mayer: **Yea**, Patrick McCarville: **Yea**

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

4. Administrative Reports

4.1. Superintendent's Report

4.2. Financial Report

5. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Kelly Hinrichs and a second by Luke Janke.

Kelly Hinrichs: **Yea**, Luke Janke: **Yea**, Jamie Jorgensen: **Yea**, Bill Koile: **Yea**, Elizabeth Mayer: **Yea**, Patrick McCarville: **Yea**

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

5.1. Approve Minutes

Next Regular Meeting Date: September 13, 2021

Next Special Meeting Date: September 13, 2021

5.2. Approve Claims for Payment

5.3. Approve Financial Report

5.4. Approve Classified Staff

There were three classified staff resignations:

Michelle Rife, Home Visitor

Sarah DeLashmutt, High School Health Para

Janice Minor, Custodian

New classified staff:

Emily Nolan, Band Assistant

Jeff Dion, Custodian

Meghan Bonacci, EL Paraprofessional

Aidan Remmick, EL Paraprofessional

6. Old Business

6.1. Approve Summer Project Change Orders

The board was asked to approve change orders for the 2021 summer projects as follows:

Change Order from Crouch Recreation on the Concrete for the Stadium Project to extend an ADA compliant concrete walkway from the entrance gate to the bleachers in order to replace the old asphalt path from the bleachers to the gate in the amount of \$50,355.

Change Order from Boyd Jones on the Roof Maintenance for the Exterior Renovation Project. Two options were presented to the Board.

Motion to approve the change order from Crouch Recreation in the amount of \$50,355 and the change order PCO #1 from Boyd Jones in the 15 year no leak in the amount of \$227,697 passed with a motion by Jamie Jorgensen and a second by Luke Janke.
Kelly Hinrichs: **Yea**, Luke Janke: **Yea**, Jamie Jorgensen: **Yea**, Bill Koile: **Yea**, Elizabeth Mayer: **Yea**, Patrick McCarville: **Yea**
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6.2. Review and Discuss Personnel Policy 4009.01- Testing Illegal Drugs

The Board received a drafted policy from DC West's legal counsel regarding the prohibition of employee use and possession of illegal or misuse of prescription drugs.

No revisions were recommended so the policy will be shared with all employee groups at the beginning of the school year and will be approved by the Board at the September Board meeting.

7. New Business

7.1. Approve Classified Staff Position of Athletic Trainer

The Board was asked to approve the addition of a classified staff salaried position of Athletic Trainer for the 2021-2022 school year. The salary for the position will be \$45,000.

'Motion to approve the addition of a classified staff salaried position of Athletic Trainer for the 2021-2022 school year as presented passed with a motion by Kelly Hinrichs and a second by Elizabeth Mayer.
Kelly Hinrichs: **Yea**, Luke Janke: **Yea**, Jamie Jorgensen: **Yea**, Bill Koile: **Yea**, Elizabeth Mayer: **Yea**, Patrick McCarville: **Yea**
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.2. Approve Classified Staff Athletic Trainer Candidate

The administration recommended Stephanie Maca for the Athletic Training position. Stephanie will begin the position sometime in November after she completes her maternity leave. Stephanie has experience as an athletic trainer in another school district for multiple years.

Motion to approve Stephanie Maca as Athletic Trainer to begin in November, 2021 passed with a motion by Kelly Hinrichs and a second by Elizabeth Mayer.
Kelly Hinrichs: **Yea**, Luke Janke: **Yea**, Jamie Jorgensen: **Yea**, Bill Koile: **Yea**, Elizabeth Mayer: **Yea**, Patrick McCarville: **Yea**
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.3. Discuss, Consider, and Take Action on Findings of Construction Management at Risk Selection

The Board was asked to take all necessary action with regard to the Findings and Recommendations and Rankings of the Selection Committee for the position of Construction Manager at Risk for the proposed middle school additions and high school renovation project.

Motion that the Board of Education of this School District should and does hereby accept and approve and adopt the Resolution with regard to the selection of the construction manager at risk for the proposed middle school additions and high school renovations project passed with a motion by Bill Koile and a second by Jamie Jorgensen.

Kelly Hinrichs: **Yea**, Luke Janke: **Yea**, Jamie Jorgensen: **Yea**, Bill Koile: **Yea**, Elizabeth Mayer: **Yea**, Patrick McCarville: **Yea**

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7.4. Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Overview

Superintendent Poloncic reviewed the levy worksheet and draft by category for the FY22 budget. DC West has been budgeting with an estimate from March 2021 on property tax valuation. There will be a certified valuation by August 20th. At that time, they will finalize the budget and levy and meet with the finance committee prior to the Board hearing and recommendations for approval of the budget in September.

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:34 pm passed with a motion by Elizabeth Mayer and a second by Luke Janke.

Kelly Hinrichs: **Yea**, Luke Janke: **Yea**, Jamie Jorgensen: **Yea**, Bill Koile: **Yea**, Elizabeth Mayer: **Yea**, Patrick McCarville: **Yea**

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Sabina Safford, Board Secretary

Dr. Melissa Poloncic, Superintendent