

DENISON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 21, 2010

On June 21, 2010 the Denison Community School District Board of Education met in regular session. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Rod Bradley. Answering roll call were Rod Bradley, Kris Rowedder, Les Lewis, and Larry Andersen. Mark Johnson arrived at 7:18 p.m. Also in attendance were Superintendent Mike Pardun, Business Manager Scott Larson, and Principals Lynn Torr, Steve Meinen, and Chris Schulz.

The public hearing on the Denison bus barn project was not held.

Guest Gordon Wolf of the Denison/Review Newspaper was welcomed by Bradley.

Correspondence received and shared with the board was from the IASB describing their services members receive and a letter from the Mayor of Denison thanking the students for the excellent work done on their last day of school as a community service project.

Larson requested the board include the extra payments for staff for the month of June with the bills payable. Moved by Rowedder/Lewis to approve the consent items and include the additional bill. AYES: Rowedder, Lewis, Andersen and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried. Consent items include the agenda, board minutes, bills payable and bills paid between sessions.

There were no resignations. One appointment was presented for board consideration. Moved by Andersen/Lewis to approve the appointment of Adam Mich as Head Girls Track Coach. AYES: Andersen, Lewis, Rowedder and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

The Denison Difference was a brief presentation by Pardun reference our student achievement scores. He said that overall our data is getting better with the exception of the high school. Graphs prepared by Pardun had been included with the board's meeting packet showing how our students in 4th grade, 8th grade and 11th grade compare to the State Trajectory in reading and math.

After review and discussion it was moved by Andersen/Rowedder to approve the Lueder Construction's Contract, Certificate of Insurance, Performance, and Payment Bond for the Broadway Phase II project. AYES: Andersen, Rowedder, Lewis, and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Lewis/Andersen to approve \$6,585,000 Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 Approval of Tax Exemption Certificate. AYES: Andersen, Lewis, Rowedder and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Moved by Andersen/Lewis to approve \$6,585,000 Infrastructure Sales, Services, and Use Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 Approval of Continuing Disclosure Certificate. AYES: Andersen, Lewis, Rowedder, and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Rowedder/Andersen to approve \$6,585,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2010 Resolution Authorizing the Terms of Issuance and Providing for and-+ Securing the Payment of School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds. AYES: Rowedder, Andersen, Lewis and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Referring to the afore three motions Pardun told the board there is a lot of paperwork to complete to actually issue the bonds. He told the board the funds will go to Bankers Trust and we then transfer funds to one of our local banks when we pay the bills.

Moved by Lewis/Rowedder to approve the Denison Bus Barn Bid Specifications and Form of Contract and Authorize the Publishing of Denison Bus Barn Project for Bid and set the public hearing for July 19th, 12 noon, in the high school library. AYES: Lewis, Rowedder, Andersen and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

7:18 p.m. – Johnson present

The Early Graduation Request from Kayla Tierney was discussed. Her request was signed by her parent, counselor, principal and superintendent. Moved by Lewis/Andersen to approve the Early Graduation Request of Kayla Tierney. AYES: Lewis, Andersen, Johnson, Rowedder and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

2010 ISAB legislative Action Priorities and Resolutions were reviewed and discussed. A list of the resolutions was included in the board meeting book. Moved by Rowedder/Johnson to select Resolutions 1, 2, 11, 13, 27, 30 as our priorities and select Les Lewis as our LAN representative and Larry Andersen as alternate. AYES: Rowedder, Johnson, Lewis, Andersen and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

The board was asked to approve the Denison Community School priorities for 2010-2011. Priorities are (1) to implement the Iowa Core Curriculum and increase student achievement utilizing a systematic approach which includes Curriculum Mapping, professional development activities, and Professional Learning Communities.

(2) To evaluate, study and develop a plan of action for expanding and/or enhancing programming in all subject areas to meet AYP trajectory targets. (3) To maintain and modernize the district facilities. (4) To focus on building strong relationships and good communication between all people both in and out of the district. Following discussion it was moved by Lewis/Andersen to approve the 2010-2011 school priorities as presented. AYES: Lewis, Andersen, Johnson, Rowedder and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

A completed copy of the Iowa Core Curriculum Implementation Plan Worksheet was included in the board meeting book. Pardun told the board we are required to submit a plan to the State on our compliance with the Iowa Core Process. This is next year's plan and he recommended that the board approve it. Moved by Johnson/Lewis, to approve the Iowa Core Curriculum Plan. AYES: Johnson, Lewis, Andersen, Rowedder and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

The entire Technology Strategic Plan for the Denison Community School District 2010-2011 was included in the board meeting packet. Pardun told the board it is the second year for our plan and we are keeping it current. He updated the board on what updates will happen in the district thanks to the Microsoft Settlement and a combination of other funds. Moved by Andersen/Rowedder to approve the 2010-2011 Technology Plan. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

The sharing of an interpreter with NWAEA was presented for board approval. The shared interpreter works between our Middle School and the AEA with the AEA paying half of the interpreter's salary, benefits, travel and mutually agreed training expenses. Moved by Rowedder/Lewis to approve the sharing of an interpreter with NWAEA. AYES: Rowedder, Lewis, Andersen, Johnson and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Approval of sharing Instructional Coaches with NWAEA was discussed. Carrie Caviness and Heather Langenfeld will provide this service and will serve only the Denison Community School District during the time of this contract unless mutually agreed upon by both parties. NWAEA will reimburse the DCSD for 50% of the cost of their base salary and benefits. Moved by Rowedder/Johnson to approve the sharing of Instructional Coaches with NWAEA. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

The sharing of a School Liaison with Juvenile Court Services was discussed. Chris Eller has served in this position for a number of years and it has worked very well Pardun told the board. He is located in the Middle School and comes to the High School also. Moved by Andersen/Lewis to approve the sharing of a School Liaison with

Juvenile Court Services contract. AYES: Andersen, Lewis, Johnson, Rowedder and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Bids for bread, milk and fuel for the 2010-2011 were reviewed. Moved by Johnson/Lewis to accept the bid of IBC Sales for bread, Berne Coop for fuel and Anderson Erickson Dairy for milk. AYES: Johnson, Lewis, Andersen, Rowedder, and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Associate Substitute wages was discussed. Pardun noted that the vote turned out well, so they will be able to recommend that substitutes for our associates get \$9 per hour, the same as other support staff groups substitutes receive. Moved by Andersen/Rowedder to approve the 2010-2011 Associate Substitute Wage as presented. AYES: Andersen, Rowedder, Lewis, Johnson and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Board Policy 410.1 (Certified Employee Substitute) was included in the board meeting book. Pardun highlighted the proposed change in this policy. He said, if approved, it would read that a substitute who serves in a specific assignment for a period in excess of twenty consecutive teaching days shall be paid one and a half times the board approved substitute daily rate after the twentieth consecutive day of substituting, and shall be retroactive to the first day of the substitute period, but is not eligible for any benefits extended to full time employees. Moved by Rowedder/Johnson to approve the first reading of Board Policy 410.1, Certified Employee Substitute. AYES: Rowedder, Johnson, Lewis, Andersen and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Handbooks for faculty, staff, coaches, volunteers and substitutes were briefly discussed. Pardun told the board there are no major changes beside dates and name changes. Moved by Lewis/Andersen to approve the Denison Handbook changes noted for the 2010-2011 faculty, staff, coaches, volunteer and substitute handbooks. AYES: Lewis, Andersen, Johnson, Rowedder and Bradley. NAYS: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Rowedder/Johnson to change the July board meeting to July 19th at 12 noon in the high school library. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Administrator Updates—Steve Meinen reported that plans for next year are finalized; they are looking forward to the building updates. Chris Schulz reported the hiring of two teachers; he is working on TK classrooms and with Head Start for kids on their lists that might be eligible for preschool. The new high school principal, Lynn Torr was welcomed by those in attendance. Torr noted that they are getting settled in their new home and he is looking forward to starting officially on July 1. Pardun told the board that fly ash may be needed in the parking lot and ask the board for their input if it

is recommended as it would be an added expense. Board members agreed that if it's recommended to go ahead and have them add the fly ash so the parking lot is done right. Larson told the board that the auditor will be here in August.

At 8:15 p.m. being no further school business a motion to adjourn was made by Johnson/Lewis. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Rod Bradley – President

Ruth A. Frazier - Secretary