Board of Education Meeting

February 18, 2016 6:30 PM Derby Middle School Cafetorium

Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM:

Present Board Members: Mr. Dan Foley Mr. Jim Gildea Mrs. Laura Harris Mr. George Kurtyka Mr. Kenneth Marcucio Mrs. Janine Netto Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara Mrs. Christine Robinson

Absent Board Members: Mr. Andy Mancini

<u>Updated Attendance:</u> Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara was updated to absent at: 8:16 PM

I. Call to Order
I.a. Opening Ceremonies
I.b. Roll Call

II. Public Participation

Discussion:

Tom Lionetti - 79 Sunset Drive, spoke regarding coaching. He asked about the criterion that is used to rehire coaches. Dr. Conway stated that there is an evaluation tool and per the teacher contract unless something happened they would be re-hired. Mr. Lionetti stated that a DHS coach had a verbal argument with a parent from another team. He hopes that the Board looks into these matters when they discuss rehiring.

III. Chairman's Report

Discussion: Mr. Marcucio did not have anything to report.

IV. Superintendent's Report

Discussion: Dr. Conway updated the Board on his activities. The SCASA Memorial Scholarship Committee reviewed applications. The district held a press conference with Post University. A second press conference will be held once the MOU has been signed. Mr. Marcucio encouraged the Board members to attend the legislative breakfasts.

V. Administrator's Reports V.a. Facilities Report

Discussion: Mr. Nardone stated that a pipe froze at Bradley, but they were able to make a quick repair. Mr. Foley asked him about the tile repairs. Mr. Nardone said they have the materials and are just waiting on the weather improving.

Mr. Gildea said that a parent had brought it to his attention that the lighting level is low in the gym at Irving. Mr. Gildea asked if that was intentionally done. Mr. Nardone said no and that a lift is needed so he repairs them as soon as they can. Mr. Gildea said he feels the school could use some TLC. Mr. Nardone said they painted the hallways last summer and the stairwells are schedule for this summer. The masonry repairs in the stairwell need to be done over the summer, or possibly over April vacation, because there are asbestos issues. Manpower was directed toward the High School so they simply rain out of time this summer to get everything done.

Ms. Netto asked about the bathrooms at Bradley School because they are very old. Mr. Nardone said it depends on funding.

Mr. Marcucio asked about the air conditioning at the elementary schools. Dr. Conway said it would have to be through a grant.

Ms. Harris asked if she could get a copy of the asbestos report. Mr. Nardone said that the next inspection will be at the end of the month and it gets posted on the website. Ms. Netto asked if she could attend the inspection. Mr. Nardone said that would be fine and he will update her on the date.

V.b. Technology Report

Discussion:

Mr. Conklin said there wasn't anything significant to report. They are planning to upgrade the speaker system at Irving through a Title 1 grant. The technology grant was approved for \$31,800. They are going to look into computer replacements for the teachers.

The Board discussed the status of the 100+ students that have not purchased a laptop.

VI. Approval of Minutes

Motion Passed: To approve minutes from the following meeting minutes: Jan 21, 2016 Board of Education Feb 2, 2016 Committee of the Whole Feb 6, 2016 Special Meeting: Board Training

passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Absent
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes

Mr. Marcucio congratulated Dr. Conway on being one of sixteen superintendents to graduate from a two year superintendents program. Dr. Conway spoke about what the program entailed.

The Board took a brief break.

VII. Financial Report

Discussion: Mr. Izzo reviewed the financial report.

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve the financial report for the period through January 31, 2016, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Absent
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve the transfer of \$11,831 from the athletic trainer payroll line to the athletic trainer non-payroll line. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Absent
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Yes
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes

VIII. Derby High School Track Team

Discussion:

Dr. Conway discussed a letter that was received regarding upcoming regional meets: NE Championships (Boston, MA), Eastern States Championships (Manhattan, NY), and the New Balance Indoor National Championships (Manhattan, NY).The participants have a transportation waiver and the students are transported by their parents. The school is not liable for these students as this is not an official school event.

IX. Executive Session

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education enter into Executive Session at 8:17 PM to discuss a contract and personnel matters, and that the Superintendent of School is invited to attend. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Mr. Dan Foley	Yes
Mr. Jim Gildea	Yes
Mrs. Laura Harris	Yes
Mr. George Kurtyka	Yes
Mr. Andy Mancini	Absent
Mr. Kenneth Marcucio	Yes
Mrs. Janine Netto	Yes
Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara	Absent
Mrs. Christine Robinson	Yes

The meeting reopened to the public at 9:03 PM.

X. Appointment List

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education approve the appointment list as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mrs. Christine Robinson.

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Absent
Yes
No
Absent
Yes

XI. Adjournment

Motion Passed: That the Board of Education adjourn its meeting at 9:04 PM. passed with a motion by Mrs. Laura Harris and a second by Mr. George Kurtyka. Mr. Dan Foley Yes Mr. Jim Gildea Yes Mrs. Laura Harris Yes Mr. George Kurtyka Yes Mr. Andy Mancini Absent Mr. Kenneth Marcucio Yes Mrs. Janine Netto Yes Mrs. Rebecca O'Hara Absent Mrs. Christine Robinson Yes

Terri Kuskowski Recording Secretary

Minutes are subject to approval at the next Board meeting.