

**DeForest Area School District  
Board of Education Meeting Minutes  
Monday, June 10, 2024 – 6:00 pm.**

1.	<p>Convene</p> <p>President Gail Lovick called the June 10, 2024 regular meeting of the DeForest Area School District’s Board of Education to order at 6:01 p.m in the Boardroom of the District Office, 500 S. Cleveland Avenue, DeForest, WI 53532.</p> <p>Superintendent, Dr. Rebecca Toetz verified that the meeting was properly noticed.</p> <p>Board members present: Jan Berg, Brian Coker, Sue Esser, Jeff Hahn, Linda Leonhart, Gussie Lewis, Gail Lovick, Stephanie Sarr, and Megan Taylor. Absent was: Jeff Hahn. Also present were administrators Dr. Rebecca Toetz, Kathleen Davis-Phillips, Dyanna Kadrich, Kate Dabetic, Chris Smith, and Kathy Williams.</p> <p>The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.</p> <p>Stephanie Sarr recited the DeForest Area School District’s Mission, Vision, and Equity Statements.</p>
2.	<p>Approval of the Agenda</p> <p>A. Review DASD Board of Education Norms and Working Agreements B. Approve Agenda</p> <p>On a motion by Berg, seconded by Lewis, and passed unanimously by voice vote, the agenda was approved.</p>
3.	<p>Announcements by the Chair</p> <p>The Board of Education may convene into Closed Session following the regular meeting for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)(e) &amp; 19.82(1) {Consideration of offer and possible counter offer for the sale of Holum Education center}</p>
4.	<p>Board Business &amp; possible Board action</p> <p>A. Presentation and possible approval of OE-3 Treatment of Community Stakeholders Monitoring Report (OE-3)</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> School/Community Relations Coordinator, Kathy Williams presented information on the OE-3 Treatment of Community Stakeholders Monitoring Report. She presented the report as in compliance.</p> <p>On a motion by Coker, seconded by Sarr, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to accept OE-3, Treatment of Community Stakeholders Policy</p>

Monitoring Report, as in compliance as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

On a motion by Coker, seconded by Leonhart, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to approve OE-3, Treatment of Community Stakeholders Board Policy Monitoring Report, as in compliance, as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

B. Presentation and possible approval of OE-9 Communicating with the Public Monitoring Report (OE-9)

Discussion: School/Community Relations Coordinator, Kathy Williams presented information on the OE-9 Communicating with the Public Monitoring Report. She presented the report as in compliance.

On a motion by Taylor, seconded by Leonhart, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to accept OE-9 Communicating with the Public Board Policy Monitoring Report, as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

On a motion by Esser, seconded by Taylor, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to approve OE-9, Communicating with the Public Board Policy Monitoring Report, as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

C. Presentation and possible approval of R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizens Monitoring Report (R-4)

Discussion: Directors of Instruction, Kate Dabetic (K-6), and Chris Smith (7-12) presented the monitoring report for R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizens as making reasonable progress.

On a motion by Coker, seconded by Taylor, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to accept R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizens Board Policy Monitoring Report, as making reasonable progress toward achieving the desired results, as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

On a motion by Coker, seconded by Berg, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education voted to approve R-4 Collaborative and Responsible Citizens Policy Monitoring Report, as making reasonable progress toward achieving the desired results, as presented. The vote passed with a unanimous voice vote.

D. Report and possible approval of 2023-2024 District Budget Amendments (OE-5)

Director of Business & Auxiliary Services, Kathleen Davis-Phillips explained proposed District Budget Amendments for 2023-2024.

On a motion by Berg, seconded by Sarr, the DeForest Area School District Board of Education, approved the proposed 2023-2024 District Budget Amendments, as

	<p>presented. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p> <p>E. Discussion and possible approval of Ad Hoc Committee to develop onboarding procedures for new School Board members (GC-4, GC-5)</p> <p>The Ad Hoc Committee appointed will be Sue Esser, Brian Coker, and Megan Taylor. Board members should direct ideas to the Ad Hoc Committee Leader, Brian Coker.</p> <p>Name: Onboarding Procedure Development Committee  Purpose: To develop a procedure for Onboarding Board members and report to the Board of Education  Members: Brian Coker, Sue Esser, and Megan Taylor  Committee Leader: Brian Coker  Report to the Board: Not determined at this point  Sunset date: Nov. 1, 2024</p>
5.	<p>A. Board Education on Public School Funding</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u></p> <p>The Board received an update on the feedback from Community Information Sessions on Public School Funding and discussed next steps for further sessions and education opportunities. (OE-5, OE-9)</p>
6.	<p>Public Input - None.</p>
7.	<p>Board Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Accept Minutes - May 13, 2024</li> <li>B. Approval of Board Monitoring Report Summary Statements for OE-10 &amp; OE-11 Monitoring Reports</li> <li>C. Approval of transfer of management of JOSEPH RADEMACHER SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS (Future Farmers of America (FFA) Scholarship) to FFA Alumni Association</li> <li>D. Approval of revised Board Governance Culture Policies</li> </ul> <p>Berg made a motion, Taylor seconded to approve the Board Consent Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.</p>
8.	<p>Superintendent Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Personnel Recommendations</li> </ul> <p>Certified Staff Recommendations for Board Approval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Separations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dannelle Gartmann - Math Teacher DAHS - resignation effective 6/5/2024</li> <li>Angy Gagliano - Speech &amp; Language EPES - resignation effective 6/5/2024</li> </ul> </li> <li>II. Appointments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nejdet Isufi - Associate Principal DAHS - replacing Matt Bauer</li> <li>Abigail Foster - Associate Principal DAMS - replacing Kyle Koenig</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Elizabeth McGowan - Dean of Students EPES/YES - replacing Amanda Wiley  
 Taylor Nagel - Spanish Teacher DAHS - replacing Alicia Eith  
 Alexander Mory - Social Studies Teacher DAHS - new position  
 Emily Carrizales - Math Teacher DAHS - replacing Joshua Pabian  
 Courtney Claeys - School Psychologist DAHS/Harvest - replacing Zhuanghan Dong  
 Aleah Grundahl - 5th Grade Teacher Harvest - replacing Tressa Bauer  
 Kelsey Upward - EC:SE Teacher EPES - new position  
 III. Other:  
 Melanie Gottschall - Special Education Teacher Harvest to Special Education  
 Teacher YES  
 Austin Hofer - ACP Coordinator DAHS to CTE Coordinator DAHS

Other Administrative Actions

I. Separations:

Leanna Grosz - Special Education Assistant DAHS - resignation effective 6/5/2024  
 Nicole King - Special Education Assistant Harvest - separation effective 6/5/2024  
 Kristen Stendahl - Special Education Assistant Harvest - resignation effective  
 6/5/2024  
 Hannah Moodie - Special Education Assistant Harvest - resignation effective  
 6/5/2024  
 Jane Staehle - Special Education Assistant Harvest - resignation effective 6/5/2024  
 Roger LaGrange - Crossing Guard WES - resignation effective 6/5/2024  
 Kathleen Goodman - Recess WES - resignation effective 6/5/2024  
 Sara Anderson - Recess EPES - resignation effective 5/13/2024  
 Roger Lokken - Crossing Guard EPES - resignation effective 6/5/2024

II. Appointments:

Jay Messar - Head Girls Volleyball Coach DAHS - replacing Scott Schumann  
 Patricia Grzybowski - Special Education Assistant Harvest - replacing Roxann Henn  
 Traci Atkinson - Special Education Assistant Harvest - replacing Sarah Derlein  
 Dawn Butalla - Office Assistant YES - replacing Jordan Franklin

III. Other:

Cristin Colvin - Recess Harvest to Special Education Assistant Harvest - replacing  
 Nicole King

B. Vouchers Payable/Treasurer's Report

Paid: 209278-209389, 232402317-232402511, 202300662-202300831

Leonhart made a motion, Lewis seconded, to approve the Superintendent's Consent  
 Agenda. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

9. Press Verification  
 No member of the press was present at this time.

10. Convene into Closed Session  
 Sarr moved, Coker seconded, to move into closed session at 7:43 pm. The motion was  
 adopted by the following vote: Aye –Berg, Coker, Esser, Leonhart, Lewis, Lovick, Sarr, and  
 Taylor. Naye – None. Absent – Hahn.

	While in Closed Session, the Board conducted business in accordance with WI Statute 19.85(1)(e) & 19.82(1) {Consideration of offer and possible counter offer for the sale of Holum Education center}
13.	<p>Reconvene into Open Session</p> <p>On a motion by Berg, seconded by Taylor, and passed by a unanimous show of hands the Board of Education reconvened into open session at 8:09 pm.</p>
14.	<p>Further discussion or action related to Closed Session business</p> <p>While in Closed Session the Board voted to counter the potential buyer's offer on the sale of Holum Education center.</p>
15.	Board Debrief
16.	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>The Board of Education adjourned at 8:20 pm on a motion by Berg, seconded by Lewis, and passed unanimously by voice vote.</p>
	DASD BOE President Signature:
	Date: