

Dietrich School District #314
Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting
September 16, 2021

APPROVED

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Vice Chairman Perry Van Tassell. The board members in attendance were Perry Van Tassell, Dolly Power, Ben Hoskisson, Rick Bingham and Starr Olsen via Zoom. Superintendent Stefanie Shaw, Principal Jeff Montero, Business Manager Dalonna Hurd, Board Clerk Jesse Zimmers were also in attendance. Guests present at the meeting were Sarah Stowell, Greg Stowell, Jerry Heimerdinger, David Johnson, Urban Johnson, Andrew Fowles, Mark Southwick and Eric McHan.

Agenda Approval

- No motion was necessary to approve as nothing on the agenda was changed.

Consent Agenda

- Ben Hoskisson made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Dolly Power seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Unscheduled Delegations

- None

Curriculum

Presented by Sarah Stowell and Eric McHan. Mrs. Stowell spoke on behalf of the Elementary staff and talked about how the new curriculum is a big adjustment for both students and teachers. Most everything is online and the young students' technology skills make assignments very challenging and time consuming. Mr. McHan spoke on behalf of the Secondary staff. They are not having the same challenges as the Elementary, and things seem to be going pretty well so far. There are a lot of assignments available to choose from, so the teachers are able to decide what is good, better, or best for the students. He also talked about the PLC groups in the high school and how they are really trying to focus on the students that are struggling. Mr. McHan talked about the senior projects and how they help the students to become successful and productive in life. Student council is doing really well this year under the leadership of Ms Wood.

Superintendent Report

Presented as written with the following points:

- Artec Update - Super Shaw spoke about how the state has made it impossible for this program to continue and this was going to close in December and the different ramifications with that. She hopes that a new program will be started by next year.
- NFHS Update
- Attendance/Enrollment
- Upcoming Dates
- Newsletter
- Maintenance Report - As Read

Principal Report

Presented as written with the following points:

- Homecoming
- Pre-Tests
- Military Appreciation Game
- Discipline

Athletics

- As read

Finance

- Board discussed the Investment LGIP and decided to meet at 6 PM before the November board meeting to have an open discussion.
- Board had a discussion on whether or not they can pay out medicare benefits, instead of the \$547 pre-tax insurance benefits to the employees. They will be talking about this again at the next month's meeting after Superintendent Shaw consults with legal counsel on the matter.

Board Business

New Student Club

- Mr. Fowles and Student A presented to the board, petitioning to start a new student club. Roughly seven kids are interested so far, meeting one night a week for one hour. They would like to do some fundraising in order to buy some books, maps, and dice. They will be coming back to the next board meeting to further discuss this possibility and give a small presentation on what they will do in the club meetings.

Letter to the BLM

- The Letter to the BLM was voted on after a brief discussion. Ben Hoskisson made a motion to approve the letter. Dolly Power seconded the motion. Rick Bingham voted Against the motion. Motion passed.

Continuous Improvement Plan

- Ben Hoskisson made a motion to approve the CIP. Rick Bingham seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Census Rezoning

- The Board had a brief discussion on rezoning the district zones. The board decided that they would each be responsible for counting all the people in their own zones. They will be holding a Work Session Board Meeting to finish this project on October 26, 2021 at 6 PM.

Policy

- The board had a brief discussion on Policy 3280 and ultimately decided to add it to next month's agenda and bring Policy 3281 with Policy 3280.
- Ben Hoskisson made a motion to approve Policy 3296. Rick Bingham seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

- The board discussed the recommended revision of Policy 3500 and decided that they would need more information about the changes. Super Shaw will bring more information to be discussed at the next meeting.

There was no Executive Session.

Future Agenda Items

- The next regular board meeting will be October 21, 2021 at 7 PM.
- The board will review the Insurance and Medicare discussion again next month.
- The board will hear more from the D&D student group.
- The board will review Policies 3280, 3281 and 3500.
- The board will have a discussion on concealed weapons.

Adjournment

- Perry Van Tassell adjourned the meeting at 9:46 PM.