

**DeLand-Weldon Community Unit  
School District Number 57  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
April 19, 2010**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The Board of Education of the DeLand-Weldon Community School District Number 57 met in regular session on April 19, 2010 in the DeLand-Weldon High School Administration Office. Meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. with four members present. Superintendent Gary Brashear and Principal Russell Corey were also present. Members Crozier and Duff were absent.

Call to order and roll call.

Mission statement read by member Fink.

Additions to agenda: New Business Item G. Activity Account.

**II. GOOD NEWS**

A. The Honors Reception had 10 middle school students and 32 high school students involved. Three students were inducted into the National Honor Society.

B. Prom will be held at Madison Hall in Clinton on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Invitations were passed out to the board.

C. Student Council & LifeSavers Club are hosting a blood drive on Friday, April 23.

D. Fifth grader, Brandon Lappin, took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Macon/Piatt County Contig Tournament.

**III. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

A. No comments from DWEA.

Crozier and Duff arrived at 7:20 pm

B. Karen Snook is here to request board permission to take 5 middle school students to Crystal Lake, IL on Monday, May 26. They will leave around 8:00 am and return around 6:00 pm. The kids are in a special reading club and are going to meet an author that they have been reading. The only cost to students is for snacks. Mrs. Snook will drive and not charge mileage to the district.

Motion by Crozier, seconded by Weaver to allow the middle school reading club to go on field trip.

Approved middle school reading club field trip.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

C. Clayton Duff and Jesse Bateman presented their itinerary for their senior class trip to the Wisconsin Dells. The board gave their blessing.

Senior class trip presented.

**IV. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS**

Motion by Crozier, seconded by Followell to approve consent items, except check register and junior high activity report, as presented.

Approved consent items.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

Weaver had a question on check to Ponder and balance of middle school track account.

Motion by Followell, seconded by Crozier to approve check register and junior high activity report as presented.

Approved remaining consent items.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

## **V. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Received a proposal of \$18,691 from Simplex Grinnell and \$84,700 from F.E. Moran for the fire alarm update. Still waiting on a proposal from Heart Technology out of Decatur.

Motion by Duff, seconded by Fink to approve Heart Technology for the fire alarm update providing their bid comes in under \$20,000.

Approved Heart Technology for fire alarm update.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

B. Received project manual and specs from BLDD Architects on the bathroom remodel project. Mr. Brashear will be meeting with Travis Boley to discuss the electrical needs for the hand dryers and door openers. He and Mike White will be purchase several items from Connor Company out of Champaign so as to start the reimbursement process using the ARRA grant money.

Discussed bathroom remodel project.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Mr. Brashear went to Springfield and received an update on the state finances. The State is only expected to pay half of our state monies. The Pre-K grant will be cut by 25%. A pension reform was signed by the Governor. New teachers will be required to work 12 years longer and only get 60% of their salary for retirement.

Discussed state finances.

C. Motion by Fink, seconded by Crull to approve the Co-op agreement with Cerro Gordo for football, baseball and softball.

Approved Co-op with Cerro Gordo.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

D. Motion by Followell, seconded by Duff to approve membership with IHSA for 2010-2011.

Approved IHSA membership.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

E. Middle school promotion will be set for 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 27. Crozier will pass out diplomas for middle school and Duff for high school.

Set middle school promotion.

F. Motion by Crozier, seconded by Followell to move into executive session at 8:05 pm to discuss confidential employees.

Moved into executive session.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

Motion by Followell, seconded by Crull to move out of executive session at 8:30 pm.

Exited executive session.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

Motion by Crull, seconded by Crozier to approve a 3% raise for Russ Gowin for the 2010-2011 school year and to add the following language items into his contract: Hours on school days will be 7:45 am - 3:45 pm. Hours on non-student days and summer will be 8:00 am - 3:00 pm. He will receive all teacher holidays. Any work done beyond these hours will be subject to comp time.

Approved salary increase for Russ Gowin for 2010-2011 school year.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Fink, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

Motion by Crull, seconded by Weaver to approve a 3% raise for Kris Fink for the 2010-2011 school year.

Approved salary increase for Kris Fink for 2010-2011 school year.

Yeas: Crozier, Crull, Duff, Followell, Weaver

Nays: None

Abstain: Fink

Motion carried, 5 yeas-1 abstain.

G. Would like to set up an activity account for bass fishing as we have money to put into it. Will vote on next month.

Discussed activity account for bass fishing.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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Steve Followell, President

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Kevin Fink, Secretary