

**DeLand-Weldon Community Unit  
School District Number 57  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
August 24, 2006**

**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 August 24, 2006 in the DeLand-Weldon High School Administration Office. Meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. with five members present. Superintendent Gary Brashear and Principal Russell Corey were also present. Members Anderson and Shofner were absent.

Call to order and roll call.

Mission statement read by member Neumann.

Additions to agenda: Good News Item C - Thank you, Audience to Visitors Item B - Fishers, and New Business Item H - Early Graduation.

**II. GOOD NEWS**

A. New staff members Jesse Rathgeber (music) and Joslyn Williamson (Pre-K) were introduced to the board.

B. The cafeteria steps have been completed and the water system is finished except for a couple things.

C. Received a thank you from Weldon Baptist Church.

**III. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

A. No one from DWEA present.

B. The Fishers were present requesting permission for Brittany to graduate mid-year.

Early graduation request for Brittany Fisher.

**IV. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS** Motion by

Approved consent items.

Neumann, seconded by Crull to approve the consent items as presented.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Abstain: Remmers

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, 4 yeas-1 abstain.

## **V. OLD BUSINESS**

Motion by Remmers, seconded by Neumann to move into executive session at 7:18 to discuss litigation and agreement with DWEA.

Moved into executive session.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

Motion by Remmers, seconded by Crull to move out of executive session at 7:29 p.m.

Exited executive session.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Motion by Crull, seconded by Remmers to hire

Joslyn Williamson per DWEA contract as Pre-K teacher for the 2006-2007 school year.

Hired Joslyn Williams as Pre-K teacher.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

B. Motion by Neumann, seconded by Remmers to rehire Nicole Boley as Kindergarten reading aide and Bonnie Bayes as Pre-K aide and parent coordinator for the 2006-2007 school year.

Rehired Nicole Boley and Bonnie Bayes.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

Motion by Swartz, seconded by Neumann to hire Kim Barnes as part time Pre-K aide for the 2006-2007 school year.

Hired Kim Barnes as part time Pre-K aide.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

C. Superintendent Brashear discussed the tentative budget with the board. The balance is estimated to be \$242,162.23 in the black. Reason for this are: state aid is up, some grants have increased, retirements, no ERO, and the savings due to the insurance change.

Motion by Neumann, seconded by Remmers to adopt the resolution for the tentative budget for the 2006-2007 school year as presented.

Adopted tentative budget.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

D. Motion by Neumann, seconded by Crull to set Monday, September 25 at 7:00 for the budget hearing and 7:15 for the monthly regular meeting.

Set date and time for budget hearing.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

E. Motion by Crull, seconded by Neumann to set the staff per diem rate for the 2006-2007 school year as \$75 lodging and \$35 per day for meals.

Set staff per diem.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

F. Superintendent Brashear explained the Eagletter article on Breakfast at School and the comment regarding applying for free and reduced meals.

Discussed eagleletter article.G. Discussed a new program for Junior High students on bullying through Dewitt Co. Human Resources. Board said go ahead a pursue.

Discussed bullying program for junior high students.

H. Motion by Neumann, seconded by Crull to allow the early graduation request of Brittany Fisher providing she successfully complete all required course work and all requirements for graduation as set forth by the Board of Education and the State of Illinois.

Approved early graduation request for Brittany Fisher.

Yeas: Crull, Neumann, Remmers, Smith, Swartz

Nays: None

Absent: Anderson, Shofner

Motion carried, all yeas.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

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Jack Swartz, President Pro-Tem

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Russell Corey, Secretary Pro-Tem