

**DeLand-Weldon Community Unit  
School District Number 57  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
September 22, 2009**

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

The Board of Education of the DeLand-Weldon Community School Unit District Number 57 met in regular session on September 22, 2009 in the DeLand-Weldon High School Administration Office. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with six members present. Superintendent Gary Brashear and Principal Russell Corey were also present.

Call to order and roll call.

Mission statement read by member Crull.

Additions to agenda: Good News Item D: Vocational Education Grant; Audience to Visitors Item D: Mike White; Old Business Item B: Aramark.

**II. GOOD NEWS**

A. The State paid all the money owed from last year. It was received in this fiscal year though.

B. The Eagle Classic made between \$100-200 this year. It usually loses money. The girls placed 4<sup>th</sup> out of 8 teams.

C. This Friday is the Cerro Gordo Football Homecoming, a home volleyball game and fall festival.

D. We will be receiving \$665 from Heartland Region for the vocational grant. Have made no plans on how to spend it yet.

**III. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

A. Karen Snook (DWEA) spoke regarding a false police report that was made against a teacher accused of touching a student. The union would like the board to

Policy request made by DWEA.

put in place a policy to discipline students when they make false accusations of this severe nature. The board will consider.

B. The auditor, Kevin Buckley, presented the 2008-2009 audited financial report. The district is stable but they reported the usual lack of segregation of duties. But they feel in a district this size what we do is working well. The big thing is to write receipts for money coming in to the offices for items like meals etc. so they can track this.

The auditor gave his annual report.

C. Fred Lane will be calling at 8:00 for an executive session.

D. Mike White was present to report on the buses. They haven't been using much oil so that problem seems to have been taken care of. The tires are wearing well and there have been a few minor electrical issues but nothing major. He has been doing his one bus check per day usually first thing in the morning when the bus comes in with students. Will revisit next month.

Mike White reported on buses.

#### **IV. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS**

Motion by Duff, seconded by Crozier to approve consent items as presented.

Approved consent items.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

#### **V. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Reviewed the tentative budget with minor changes. Motion by Followell, seconded by Fink to approve the

Approved the 2009-2010 budget.

2009-2010 budget with noted changes.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

B. Todd Weaver came out to observe and have lunch in the cafeteria. He ended up not eating. Thought the food looked terrible. He did speak with several of the students about the meals. Thinks something needs to be done to improve the quality of food. John Doolin from Aramark has met with the committee of high school students twice to discuss the concerns and options of the cafeteria.

Discussed cafeteria/Aramark.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Motion by Crozier, seconded by Duff to move into executive session at 7:58 p.m. to discuss litigation with Fred Lane.

Moved into executive session.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

Motion by Crozier, seconded by Crull to move out of executive session at 8:32 p.m.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

Exited executive session.Motion by Crozier, seconded

Authorized Fred Lane to settle

by Weaver to authorize Fred Lane to settle litigation.

litigation.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

B. No personnel hirings at this time

C. No further discussion on the auditor's report.

D. Motion by Duff, seconded by Weaver to set per diem at \$100/day lodging and \$25/day meals.

Set per diem.

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

Nays: None

Motion carried, all yeas.

E. The back door of the Unit Office has rusted through. Going to have the original door company come out and look at it. Will also have him look at the other doors that have problems. Superintendent Brashear will bring prices back to the board.

Discussed outside door problems.

Discussed the handicap lift. The price would be \$20,785 for the lift and an additional \$2,000 if we want to purchase a battery back-up. We can use \$6,000 of ARRA money towards something like this and the rest out of Life Safety. If the board wishes to continue, the architect will be brought in. Will revisit in October.

Discussed handicap lift.

F. Discussed replacing the wall and stage mats in the high school gym. The front of the stage could also use some work. Either rebuild the doors or try new fasteners. This project could be paid for out of tort

Discussed purchase new wall mats for high school gym.

money for safety purposes. Tabled until October.

President Followell brought up the possibility of having Kris Fink, district bookkeeper come to meetings and act as board secretary. She would be compensated with time off. Another possibility would be tape the meetings and purchase a dictaphone for her to transcribe the minutes. Then she wouldn't need to attend the meetings. Think it over and will discuss in October.

Discussed having district bookkeeper take minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

---

Steve Followell, President

---

Kevin Fink, Secretary