DEEP RIVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING DRES LIBRARY THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023 7:00pm

F.O.I. Compliance – Subject to BOE approval at a future meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. White called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

VERBAL ROLL CALL FOR BOE MEMBERS

Deep River BOEAdministrationMiriam MorrisseyBrian WhitePat MaikowskiBob GrissomBob FerrettiSarah BrzozowyAlyson WhelanJosh Torchia

Lenore Grunko Betsy Scholfield Melissa McIntyre

Absent: Scott Hallden, Nick Rioux Other Attendees: Kelley Frazier, Clerk

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon a motion duly made by Pat Maikowski seconded by Bob Ferretti the Deep River Board of Education unanimously **VOTED** to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on November 17, 2022 and the May 25, 2022 Special Meeting and the Accounts Payable report as written.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Comment

REPORTS AND OTHER ITEMS:

Deep River Elementary Student Representatives

Grace deMik and Hutch Guzallis discussed the events happening at DRES.

Superintendent's Report

District Update – Information and Communication

Mr. White gave a brief update. Budgets throughout the district are being worked on.

Assistant Superintendent's Report

General Update

Ms. Brzozowy discussed the Professional Development recently held. This was technology based. The upcoming PD day will focus on the new report card. Feedback is positive from parents on the new report card.

Financial Status Updates

Current Year to Date Financial Status Update

Mr. Grissom gave an update on the financial status. All financial obligations are expected to be met. The current committed budget is 93%. This reporting is through December 2022.

Cafeteria Fund Update

This report is through November 2022. There have been 10,302 meals served. The free meal program will end February 1, 2023. Breakfast will be \$1.25 and lunch is \$3.00. Paperwork can be submitted for free meals for families who qualify. Capital improvements for the cafeteria are being researched.

Medical Reserve Tracking

Net favorable results have been realized this year. The reserve is funded adequately. Meetings were held with the insurance representative. The net profit seen is typical at this point of the year. Budget planning is being done at this time.

An energy usage update was given. There has been a general decline in costs. It was asked that Natural gas usage also be researched.

Grants

No Update

Principal's Update

Mr. Torchia discussed events students are involved in during the winter months. Day of the Arts is being planned. A reading challenge is underway.

Committee Reports

Curriculum

The K-3 Reading initiative was discussed. A waiver will be completed for our district. The teacher evaluation plan is being discussed. I/B Computer Science and Unified Buddy PE is being discussed as courses to be offered at the high school.

Finance

The Insurance Consultant for medical insurance presented at this meeting. Trending claims were presented and how this will impact budgeting. Bonding efforts were discussed as well as long term capital spending for Region 4.

Policy

There are 19 policies being reviewed. This will be shared at the Joint Board of Education. CABE will review policies and recommendations will be given.

Supervision District Committee Updates

The budget is being worked on. The process of how to handle surplus funds was discussed. The funds should be used to defer the costs for the next year. Legal counsel will develop a plan for how to do this next year. Items being discussed for the budget are

an expansion of the hours of the preschool program, a proposal for an additional HR position for the district and a position for a facilities director.

DRES Facilities (Building and Grounds)

Miscellaneous repairs were discussed.

Other Committee Reports LEARN Committee Update

No Update

Discussion Regarding any Pending Policy for all BOE's

None to Discuss

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Joint BOE Retreat Saturday January 21, 2023 from 9:00am-Noon @ JWMS
- Deep River BOE Budget Workshop I February 1, 2023 @ 6:00pm
- Deep River Budget Workshop II, February 15, 2023 @6:00pm
- Joint BOE Meeting Thursday, February 23 2023 @ 7:00pm
- Deep River BOE Budget Workshop III, March 13, 2023 @ 6:00pm (if needed)
- Deep River BOE next Regular Meeting March 16, 2023 @ 7:00pm

ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and seconded the Board unanimously **VOTED** to adjourn at 8:20p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelley Frazier Clerk