

Dimmick Consolidated School District #175
297 North 33rd Road, LaSalle, IL 61301
School Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Call to Order President Deb Black called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call Roll call showed members present: Michelle Rich, Josh Turigliatti, Gina Mudge, Laurie Ernat, Deb Herz, Heather Seghi and Deb Black. Michelle Rich and Josh Turigliatti were absent.

Visitors Samantha Casey of Hopkins and Associates

Approval of Meeting Agenda Debbie Herz made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Laurie Ernat seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Public Hearing FY'22 Budget Mr. Linnig provided an overview of the FY'22 Budget. The proposed budget is balanced. The budget reflects revenues of \$4.20 million and expenditures at \$4.98 with the difference accounted for through reserve and investment funds. The anticipated balance at the close of FY 22 is \$3.02 million. There were no questions or public comments. The FY'22 Budget awaits approval.

Public Comment

Consent Agenda None.
Laurie Ernat made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Heather Seghi seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Ernat, Seghi, Herz, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Reports and Updates

District Audit FY 2021 Hopkins and Associates performed the annual audit and stated there were no significant disagreements or findings in the FY '21 audit report. The FY'21 audit report awaits approval.

ARP ESSER Spending Plan The ARP ESSER spending plan was reviewed. The \$205,210.00 will be allocated over the next 3 fiscal years. 20% must be allocated to social emotional and academic support. Expenditures may be backdated to March 2020 and the plan is to use funds to pay costs associated with creating separated cafeteria space as well as additional learning spaces.

Contracts Exceeding \$25,000.00 Report The Board is required to review and post contacts exceeding \$25,000.00 to the website. The report awaits approval.

Facilities/Summer Renovation Project The renovation punch list continues to be addressed. Main items remaining are paint touch ups, floor work, the stage panels and curtains and redoing the flashing above the student entrance canopy. The electronics for the front door lock system should arrive soon. Mario Data is working on a revised proposal for the sound system for the stage. The District is eligible to receive a Maintenance Grant for up to \$50,000.00 in matching funds. The proposal for the Grant is painting the gym and locker rooms and a digital school sign.

2021-22 Pandemic Learning Plan	The District will not be using the SHIELD testing for covid as we do not qualify as a result of the low participation rate which is under 100 people. The District is currently waiting for certification for the BinaxNow testing.
SIT Report/Crisis & Safety Plan Review	The School Improvement Team updated the Crisis/Safety Plan. The recommended revisions include adding in the fire evacuation and tornado shelter maps to the plan and including updated pandemic plan. The Crisis/Safety Plan awaits approval.
Policy Updates	The policy 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment is reviewed every two years. The complaint managers are Mr. Foster, Mrs. Rossman and Mrs. Alderman. There are no recommended changes and this policy awaits approval.
FY'22 Transportation Agreement	A copy of the agreement with Illinois Central School Bus was presented to the Board. The contract was necessary following a breach of contract by Johannes and concerns over safety. The costs will be 39% higher than Johannes. It is a one-year agreement and it awaits approval.
Other	Mr. Linnig requested a special board meeting to be set should the District qualify for the Maintenance Grant. He proposed the locker rooms and gym to be repainted at an estimated cost of \$58,000.00, replacing the sound system for an estimated \$16,000.00 and replacement of the school sign estimated at \$38,000.00. The special meeting would be to approve the Maintenance Grant.
Action Items	
Approval of FY'22 Budget	Heather Seghi made a motion to approve the Dimmick Community Consolidated School District #175 Budget FY'22. Debbie Herz seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Seghi, Herz, Ernat, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Approval of the FY '21 Audit	Debbie Herz made a motion to approve the 2021 audit. Heather Seghi seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Herz, Seghi, Mudge, Ernat and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Approval of the ARP ESSER Spending Plan	Heather Seghi made a motion to approve the ARP ESSER spending plan. Debbie Herz seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Seghi, Herz, Ernat, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Approval of Contracts Exceeding \$25,000.00 Report	Debbie Herz made a motion to approve the Contracts Exceeding \$25,000.00 Report. Laurie Ernat seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Herz, Ernat, Seghi, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Approve Crisis & Safety Plan	Heather Seghi made a motion to approve the Crisis/Safety Plan. Gina Mudge seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Seghi, Mudge, Herz, Ernat and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Approve Policy 7:180	Laurie Ernat made a motion to approve the policy 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment as presented. Heather Seghi seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Ernat, Seghi, Herz, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Approval of
Transportation
Agreement**

Heather Seghi made a motion to approve the Transportation Agreement with Illinois Central School Bus. Debbie Herz seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Seghi, Herz, Ernat, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Debbie Herz made a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss pending litigation and appointment, employment, compensation, performance or dismissal of specific employees at 7:23 p.m. Debbie Herz seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Regular meeting reconvened at 7:32 p.m.

**Action Items
Following Closed
Session**

**Approval of
Notice of
Termination of
Transportation
Agreement**

Laurie Ernat made the motion to approve the notice of termination of transportation with Johannes Bus Company. Debbie Herz seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Ernat, Herz, Seghi, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Approval of
Resolution
Authorizing
Intervention in
Property Tax
Assessment
Appeals**

Heather Seghi made the motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Intervention in Property Tax Assessment Appeals. Lauri Ernat seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Seghi, Ernat, Herz, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Approval of
Employee
Resignation**

Debbie Herz made a motion to accept the resignation of Adam King from head track coach and Victoria Duttlinger from school player sponsor. Laurie Ernat seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Herz, Ernat, Seghi, Mudge and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Heather Seghi made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. Gina Mudge seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Wineinger

_____ President _____ Secretary