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Doug Leisenring, Superintendent

**Board of Education - Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Delta-Schoolcraft ISD - Virtual Meeting conducted by Zoom, Escanaba, Michigan 49829  
Thursday, April 9, 2020**

The DSISD regular meeting was held virtually as allowed by the Governor's Executive Orders to mitigate the spread COVID 19.

The meeting was called to order by Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp, president at 4:04p.m.

Roll call showed: Jon Haindl, Mary Simonsen, Joan Ecclesine, Wayne Christoff, Rena Richtig, Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp. Jim Frazer entered the online meeting at 4:06p.m.

Absent: Jim Frazer (absent during roll call).

Also: Andy Claes, Trent Bellingar, Tara Weaver, Lacy Lauzon, Stacey Cunningham, Beau Miller, Mark Christoff, Andrea Tourangeau and Doug Leisenring.

No additions to the agenda.

Motion by Jon Haindl, with support by Joan Ecclesine, to approve the consent agenda including approving the March 16, 2020 minutes of the regular School Board meeting, and the invoices as presented: General Fund- \$120,880.73, Clear Lake Camp Fund- \$3,855.38, Special Education- \$50,175.73 Career-Tech- \$28,203.12 for a total of \$203,114.96. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

No public comment.

No Board reports.

Doug Leisenring, superintendent, gave updates on the status of schools and employees during the COVID 19 closure.

Mark Christoff, technology director, has been asked to do a survey on teacher and student online learning access, the findings indicate 75% of staff and students have internet access. Districts are handing out chromebooks and internet hot spots. No easy solutions to get access for some remote students and staff. Internet speeds are being challenged with large quantities of use due to online streaming.

Tara Weaver, Great Start director, GSRP is planning to send books and resources to parents for hands on learning with parent involvement practices. They are recommending GSRP programs to keep a log of effort as accountability will be required at some point. Home visits are being handled on a virtual electronic platform that

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is HIPPA and FERPA compliant. She said they are planning on using Facebook Live for some events. The latest update is that childcare centers are only allowed to remain open to service essential employees. Some in the area are open to accommodate this.

Trent Bellinger, CTE director, instructors are starting online learning on Monday the 13th. Instructors are using a variety of online platforms and will be offering 3-4 hours of instruction per week. He also noted they have mailed packets out and chrome books are going out when needed. Students without internet access will get paper copies. He also shared he will be taking the resigned teacher's welding class over for the remainder of the year.

Jim Frazer shared that Darrell Mullins did a good job explaining to his sons what was going on and what was happening moving forward with online education.

Lacy Lauzon, Learning Center supervisor, shared the elementary class has been doing body alphabet via zoom. As far as needs, they had one student without a device, they were able to get him a childproof Kindle to use for class and have 2 families without access and poor cell service and they have plans in place for them. Teachers have been sharing videos and aides have been reaching out to families as well.

Andy Claes, special education director, gave updates on compliance and noted providing good faith effort to serve the families is the current practice.

Doug Leisenring, superintendent, much of the last three weeks have been spent trying to develop plans to support local districts and support the families we serve. Part of the newest Executive Order is to provide online programming. Plans are required to be submitted to MDE by all districts. All local districts will be started by or on Monday the 13th. Teacher leader teams are collaborating really well, this has been a silver lining. The DSISD Learning Center and CTE program have donated ppe to our local hospital. He shared he is working on a committee to help with alternate rehab centers. First center option could accommodate up to 40 more patients. Escanaba Schools would provide back up food service if needed. The CTE program has a mock up for an iv pole, and can make them if there is a need. He is regularly holding zoom meetings with local superintendents and superintendents across the State, he has had several meetings with principals and weekly meetings with DSISD staff. All staff have stepped up where they can.

Doug reviewed budget amendment #2, noting any surplus in General Education will be given back to locals.

No old business.

Motion by Mary Simonsen, with support by Rena Richtig, to approve Budget Amendment 2. Roll call showed all 7 ayes.

There is an opportunity in Manistique to purchase a building for the building trades program, it was formerly used as the Manistique Schools bus garage. The plan is to use it as a project and storage for the program. Trent will bring forth information on the bid at the next meeting for approval.

Motion to go into closed session by Jon Haindl, with support by Joan Ecclesine, to move into closed session to discuss the superintendent's evaluation. Roll call showed all 7 ayes.

Moved back to open session after the superintendent evaluation session at 5:42p.m.

The Board is unanimously happy with the positive leadership of the superintendent. The Board has asked to move forward with the self evaluation and send the completed score sheet to the Board for review.

Motion to adjourn by Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp at 5:43p.m.

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Wayne Christoff, Secretary  
Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District  
Board of Education

**Please note the next regular School Board meeting will be on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 4:00p.m.**