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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, May 14, 202 at 4:00p.m.**

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 Mary Simonsen, vice president at 4:02p.m. via zoom.

Roll call showed the following Board members present: Mary Simonsen, Jon Haindl, Jim Frazer, Rena Richtig, Joan Ecclesine and Wayne Christoff. (Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp arrived at 4:30p.m.)

Absent: Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp.

Also: Mark Christoff, Tara Weaver, Andy Claes, Trent Bellinger, James Tardiff, Lacy Lauzon, Amber Quigley, Kathy Ryno, Jenny Corrigan, Rachal Gustafson, Howard Parmentier, Beau Miller, Tim Racicot, Darrell Mullins, Kevin Brown, Deanna LaFolle, Stacey Cunningham, Dawn Hanson, Cindy Raspor, Andrea Tourangeau, Doug Leisenring.

Motion by Jon Haindl, with support from Wayne Christoff, to approve the consent agenda including the agenda with the addition of New Business #9- 2019/2020 Calendar options, the April 9, 2020 minutes of the regular School Board meeting, and the invoices as presented: General Fund- \$171,534.48, Clear Lake Camp Fund- \$4,428.19, Special Education- \$197,238.19 Career-Tech- \$35,753.89 for a total of \$408,954.75. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 6 ayes and 0 nays.

No public participation.

Trent Bellinger, CTE director, gave an update on the building purchase in Manistique. There is some concern about ground contamination. They are looking for the documentation for the EPA clearance of that work done to clear the property. The Board would like to hold off on purchase until the investigation is complete.

Andy Claes, special education director, gave updates on new employees. He noted current employees taking on the new primary service provider positions (195 days): Stacey Cunningham, occupational therapist, Becky Racine, physical therapist, James Tardiff, school social worker and Meghan McCarthy, speech and language pathologist. He also gave background on recommended new hires: Maija Crothers, social worker, Maija is a recent graduate and has just completed internships throughout the community, Rachal Gustafson, special education teacher at the Learning Center, Rachal comes to us from Rapid River Schools and brings a positive teaching history with her and Meghan McCarthy, speech and language pathologist has been working through a contracting agency and is now moving into an in house position. Lacy Lauzon, Learning Center supervisor, gave an update on Soo Hill as the classrooms are starting to pack up and prepare for move.

Mark Christoff, technology director, gave updates on powerschool. He shared they have begun by integrating Illuminate with Power School at Nah Tah Wahsh and Big Bay, which means no more double entry of data. Jim Frazer asked if it was possible to have the ISD powerschool show up in local districts for ease of use. At this time, it is not available, but they are always looking for a working option.

Tara Weaver, Great Start director, noted they are keeping in contact with families, moving to an online registration service for GSRP kids, so far 64 families registered thus far which is good and on track. She discussed the child care relief fund, and grants that can be applied for.

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Doug Leisenring, superintendent, shared that staff complete a google form when entering the building, he noted Kiely Ohman and her mother and Masks for Delta County made masks available to all staff. Touchless thermometers are on order to take temperature as people come into the building. Jim Berthaume and the maintenance staff are getting ahead on cleaning offices and classrooms and planning to wrap up by the end of June. This will free them up for the Soo Hill move. He shared there are no guidelines to go back to school in the fall, yet. He also reviewed various estimates on state revenue.

Motion by Jon Haindl, with support from Joan Ecclesine, to approve the hire of Maija Crothers, as a school social worker. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Rena Richtig, with support from Mary Simonsen, to approve the hire of Rachal Gustafson, special education teacher at the Learning Center. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Mary Simonsen, with support by Wayne Christoff, to approve the hire of Meghan McCarthy, speech and language pathologist, Meghan is moving from an outside contracting agency to a DSISD employee. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by John Haindl, with support from Joan Ecclesine, to approve the summer services program. This program will be in place of the Learning Center Summer School program. It will be a continuance of distance learning and supports. The program recommendation is for Becky Racine- physical therapist up to 5 days, Deanna LaFoilie- hearing impaired consultant up to 3 days, Holly Faust-vision imparimed consultant up to 5 days, Stacey Cunningham-occupational therapist up to 5 days, Connie Gutierrez- speech therapist up to 15 days, Amber Quigley- speech therapist up to 10 days and 2-3 Learning Center teachers for up to 120 hours. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The purchase agreement for the Manistique Bus Garage was put on hold pending contamination investigation.

Motion by Jon Haindl, with support from Mary Simonsen, to approve the paper bid of Steen Macek X-Cell Laser paper. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The first reading of NEOLA 5330.02 Opioid Antagonist policy was held. Question by Joan Ecclesine, do the service providers have to be trained and carry it with them, or is this just a policy to cover on campus practices. Motion by Wayne Christoff, with support from Rena Richtig, to approve the effective rated evaluation of Doug Leisenring as presented. The Board noted Doug's work is highly effective and with the way the growth ratings are used the score isn't a fair reflection of his evaluation. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Joan Ecclesine, with support by Mary Simonsen, to approve 2 possible retroactive school calendars for 2019/2020 pending approval of professional development days. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion to adjourn at 5:15p.m by Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp.

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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, June 11, 2020 at 4:00p.m.**