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**Board of Education - Minutes of the Special Meeting
Delta-Schoolcraft ISD - Virtual Meeting conducted on Zoom,
Escanaba, Michigan 49829 - Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 4:00p.m.**

The meeting was held virtually via zoom as allowed by the Legislative Orders to slow the spread of COVID-19.

The special meeting was called to order by Mary Simonsen, president at 4:00p.m.

Roll call showed the following Board members present: Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp, Jim Frazer, Wayne Christoff, Mary Simonsen and Rena Richtig.

Absent: Joan Ecclesine and Jon Haindl.

Also present: Rachel Coyne, Tim Racicot, Andy Claes, Beau Miller, Amber Quigley, Andrea Tourangeau and Doug Leisenring.

Motion by Wayne Christoff, with support by Rena Richtig, to approve the consent agenda with the addition of F4. Approval to post for a Computer Technician position and including the minutes of the January 14, 2021 regular meeting. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

No public participation or School Board reports.

Motion by Wayne Christoff, with support by Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp, to approve the hire of Sarah Rymkos as a social worker for Project Aware. Sarah is coming to the DSISD from Pathways in Marquette and will be placed on MA+15 step 6 of the Education Association contract. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Jim Frazer, with support by Rena Richtig, to approve the hire of Rachel Coyne as a school psychologist, Rachel is coming back to the area after spending the past 9 years of service with the Menominee County ISD. Rachel will start her new position in the summer of 2021 and will be placed at MA+30 step 12 of the Education Association contract. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Jim Frazer, with support by Rena Richtig, to approve the hire of Allison Rae as a teacher consultant. Allison is coming to the DSISD from Bark River Schools where she has gained years of classroom teaching experience as a resource room teacher. She will be placed on MA step 12 of the Education Association contract. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

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Motion by Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp, with support by Jim Frazer, to approve joining the 3% Retiree Healthcare Payroll Deduction Closing Agreement to align with a ruling that FICA tax did not need to be withheld from the deduction. The \$3,000 agreement is being paid for by ORS. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp, with support by Jim Frazer, to move the March meeting back to the original date of March 11, 2021. When the schedule was set, the date was changed to accommodate the planned MAISA meeting, which is now virtual. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Motion by Rena Richtig, with support by Tammy Wolfe Beauchamp, to post for a computer technician to provide service to two local districts. The position will provide support 2 days a week to Rapid River and 3 days a week to Bark River Schools. The DSISD will cover training costs but all other costs of the position including mileage will be billed back to the local districts receiving service time. The position is a 261 day annual contract and will be an individual contract. The Board would like to see the memorandum of understanding with the locals to be a multi year 3-5 year agreement to provide planning and job security. Motion carried on a roll call vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Mary Simonsen made a motion to adjourn at 4:19p.m.

Jim Frazer, Secretary
Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District
Board of Education

Please note the next School Board meeting will be on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 4:00p.m.