

Discovery Public School
924 – 1st Street N.E.
Faribault, MN 55021
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 21, 2019 @ 4:30pm

We believe all children can learn.

We believe a trusting, caring, and nurturing environment must pervade the entire school.

We believe in including as many children as possible in all of the learning opportunities.

We believe all of our actions should be consistent with our purpose and vision.

We believe students should be taught “how” to think, not “what” to think.

We believe the primary purpose of education is to teach children “how” to learn.

We believe children must take responsibility for and be actively involved in their learning.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** *The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Russ Kennedy. Russ Kennedy (Chair), Jim Severson (Vice-Chair), Sharon Hansen, Cody Hanson, Kay Hammer(arrived 4:35pm), and Dan Weisser (Ex-Officio), were present.*

2. **Approval of the Agenda:** *Jim S. made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Cody H. The motion carried (4-0).*

3. **A.) Approval of the Minutes:** *Jim S. made a motion to approve the October 24th, 2019 Regular Board Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Sharon H. The motion carried (4-0).*

B.) Approval of the Minutes: *Jim S. made a motion to approve the October 29th, 2019 Special Board Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Cody H. The motion carried (4-0).*

4. **Monthly Financial Statement:** *The financial statement was reviewed by the board. Cody H. made a motion to accept the October 2019 Financial Statements, as submitted in the school board packet. The motion was seconded by Sharon H. The motion carried (4-0).*

5. **Citizen Participation:** None.

6. **Reports:**
 - 6.1 **Director’s Report:** Cash on Hand: \$128,149.94. Enrollment – 63

*Discovery out from 10/11/19 – 11/11/19 due to Electrical Fire/Water Damage.

*Open House and the 1st Week of school in the new building has gone well.

*Parents/Students – Overall, very positive reaction.

*1 student graduated after Quarter 1. He plans to join the Marines.

6.2 Community: (Dan W.) None.

6.3 Finance: (Russ K., Jim S., Dan W.) Did not meet.

6.4 Academic Committee: (Dan W., Jim S., Sharon H.) – In the process of meeting with student regarding academic goals.

6.5 Environmental Education: (Sam M., Jim S., Sharon H.) – We need to revise our Environmental Literacy Plan and we plan to discuss at our next staff meeting.

7. Discussion Items:

7.1 School Board Training: None

7.2 New Building: Dan gave an update of on the old building. The demolition phase is almost complete. Dan and Sharon put together a slide show of pictures of the demolition of the old building to show students. The School Board will eventually have to make a decision on which building to occupy for next year.

7.3 Washington Rec Center (PE): DPS will be renting out the Washington Rec Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Phy Ed Classes. We will rent the gym out at a rate of \$30.00 a day.

7.4 DPS Insurance Claim: We received a check for \$9,600.00 for the security deposit and the first 3 months of rent overage. Dan will continue to send bills that involve relocation costs. The board discussed the insurance coverage and the possibility of having to return items after the relocation process.

7.5 ACNW Leadership Retreat: Dan and Sharon attended the ACNW Leadership Retreat in Osseo, MN. They shared the information that was received with the Board Members.

7.6 Student Suspension: A student was searched and we found Marijuana, cash and pills. The police were called and they took him to the station. The student was also suspended last year for having possession of Vape pipes. If this student has another suspension involving illegal substances, we will hold and expulsion hearing for the student.

7.7 Kay Hammer Donation: Kay Hammer donated donuts from Fareway Food to celebrate the students first week back following the fire.

8. Action Items:

8.1 DPS School Calendar: The School Board reviewed two possible revised school calendars. The board decided to go with version 1. *Jim S. made a motion that the board accept the version 1 school calendar. The motion was seconded by Cody H. The motion carried (5-0).*

8.2 Eickhoff's Plowing: Dan met with Roger Eickhoff to discuss the cost for plowing snow at the new location. The cost is higher because there is a larger area to plow. *Sharon H. made a motion to accept the contract presented. The motion was seconded by Kay H. The motion carried (5-0).*

8.3 Health Insurance Plan Renewal: The new plan has a 3.9% increase over last year. Russ mentioned that he would like to get some more bids over the summer. *Jim S. made a motion to stay with the current health plan at the 3.9% increase. The motion was seconded by Cody H. The motion carried (5-0).*

8.4 Syand Block of Time (IT): The board reviewed the rates for different blocks of time for IT services with Syand Corporation. *Russ K. made a motion that we NOT purchase a block of time. The motion was seconded by Jim S. The motion carried (5-0).*

8.5 Crisis Management Policy: *Cody H. made a motion to accept the revised Crisis Management Policy as presented in the school board meeting packet. The motion was seconded by Sharon H. The motion carried (5-0).*

9. Adjournment: *Russ K. made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Kay H. The motion carried (5-0).*

Respectfully submitted: Sharon Hansen