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Damiansville Elementary
School Board Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2007

Present at this meeting:

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| Kelly Arentsen | -Board Member | Michelle Weiss | Guest |
| Susan Lynch | -Board Member | Angela Roeckenhaus | Guest |
| Jill Kassen | -Board Member | Jenny Heimann | Guest |
| Donna Goebel | -Board Member | | |
| Phyllis Kassen | -Board Member | | |
| Mike Caraker | -Board Member | | |
| Kevin Arentsen | -Board Member | | |
| Michael Toeben | -Superintendent | | |

Meeting called to order at 6:33PM.

Roll Call: all present.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Accept/Amend Agenda: Drop item 6.07, school audit is finished and will be distributed

Guest Communications: welcome Jenny as new math teacher!

Consent Agenda:

Treasurer's report – tax bills have been sent out.

Phyllis made a motion to accept the consent agenda, Donna seconded. Vote 7-0.

Superintendent's Report

- Several issues with getting people licensed to drive the buses. Randy is held up by background check. Mike is hoping to be able to hire someone that was let go from somewhere else.
- Special Education – Lori Jansen is willing to do it this year only, wants more hours. Mike will look at options of her doing morning or afternoons plus subbing, or just part-time. We possibly have a 5th kid out there for the program.
- 8th grade room and cafeteria work is complete and looks great!
- A budget was distributed based on a guess of the per student Foundation Level, awaiting Gov signature.

Unfinished Business

5.01 – Teacher Contract – signed, copy on file

5.02 – New Intercom System – work to be completed tomorrow. Used existing wiring so it should come in well under budget.

5.03 – Math teacher and Special Education teacher – welcome Jenny Heimann as new math teacher. She'll also be teaching some PE classes. See note above for Special education teacher issue.

New Business

6.01 – Proposed budget FY08, handout on file, waiting on Governor approval (see superintendents report for more detail)

6.02 – Legal notice for viewing of budget – notice in paper this week

6.03 – Set date for budget hearing – September 18th at 6:15pm. Jill made a motion to accept this date/time, Donna seconded, Vote 7-0

6.04 – Hiring of Math teacher and Special Education teacher – Kelley made a motion to hire Jenny Heimann as the new math teacher, Donna seconded, Vote 7-0

6.05 – Non-certified staff pay – moved to executive session

6.06 – Substitute pay – moved to executive session

6.07 – Hispanic Youth Day in Mt Vernon – dropped from agenda

6.08 – Scholar Bowl Improvements – ability to move on to regional/state competitions

6.09 – School Audit received – handed out, copy on file. We paid this year for both last year (reduced rate) and this year.

The next meeting will be September 18, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. Arrive 15 minutes early for budget hearing.

There was a discussion about the current dress code. Flip-flops are a safety issue and should not be allowed at school. Mike shared that he was willing to be flexible with the dress code on hot days as long as it doesn't become an issue with the older kids. If someone is violating the dress code they are sent to Mike's office and he makes the final decision on whether it's ok or not.

Jill motioned to move to executive session at 8:02. Kelley seconded. Vote 7-0.
Kevin made a motion to leave executive session at 8:16, Susan seconded. Vote 7-0
Phyllis made a motion to adjust the substitute teacher's pay from \$55/hour to \$65/hour. Jill seconded. Vote 7-0
Donna motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jill seconded. Vote 7-0.
Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Kelly Arentsen, President

Mike Caraker, Secretary