

**Minutes of Annual Board Meeting**  
Of the Board of Directors of the Denison Community School District  
November 19, 2018

5:15PM Board members, Administrators, and Gordon Wolf from the Denison Bulletin and Review toured the Middle School Building

**Call to Order:** President Rowedder called the meeting to order at 5:49PM.

**Members Present:** Kris Rowedder, Larry Andersen, Joe Lally, Dr. Derek Lambert and John Held

**Members Absent:** None

**Administration Present:** Mike Pardun, Superintendent; Scott Larson, Business Manager; Dave Wiebers, High School Principal; Patti Ryan, Middle School Principal; Trevor Urich, Broadway Elementary Principal; and Chris Schulz Denison Elementary Principal

**Board Secretary:** Lori Ahart

**Others Present:** Gordon Wolf- Denison Bulletin and Review; Denison Community School Guidance Counselors Michael Phipps, Dana Marten, Valeta Pautsch, Sierra Frehse and Tracy Beeck

**Correspondence:** Superintendent Pardun shared a thank you from the Rowedder family, annual Science Bound Program Report, and a map highlighting areas of a storm water project grant through Denison Municipal Utilities for the Denison Middle School with possible locations of storm water improvements.

**Consent Items-** Motion by Andersen/Lambert to approve the consent items (agenda, minutes, bills, and financial reports) AYES: Lambert, Anderson, Held, Lally and Rowedder NAYS: none. Motion Carried

**Personnel Report**  
**Resignations-**

Resignations presented to the Board for approval: Motion by Lambert/Held to approve Amanda Stater, Christian Barragan Sotelo, Emmie Stephens and Tayten Kline all associates; Julia Farrell Elementary Cook. AYES: Lambert, Held, Lally, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none. Moved by Held/ Lally to approve resignation of Ryne Young High School Assistant Baseball Coach. AYES: Held, Lally, Lambert, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**Appointments-**

Appointments presented to the Board for approval: Motion by Andersen/Held to approve Jacob Brawner High School Assistant Baseball Coach, Dawn Muhlbauer, Linda Graeve and Lizeth Lupian all associates at \$11.94 per hour. AYES: Lally, Held, Lambert, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**Superintendent Report**

**Update from PK-12 Counseling Department-** All five school counselors attended Iowa School Counselor's Association Conference November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. They found the conference very informative and offered their appreciation for the professional time as a department. Some of the topics included relationship building both personally and professionally, self-care, human trafficking, resilience, and college and career readiness. All counselors agreed that they would like to meet on a regular basis to continue to build their programs and grow professionally.

**Approval of Request to SBRC for Modified Allowable Growth and Supplemental Aid for Increasing Enrollment, Open Enrollment Out, and Beyond 5 Years ELL –** Motion by Andersen/Lambert to approve the request to the School Budget Review Committee for modified allowable growth for Increasing Enrollment in the amount of \$466,131.20. AYES: Andersen, Lambert, Held, Lally and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**Approval of Deluxe Driving Academy Contract-** Motion by Lambert/ Andersen to approve Deluxe Driving Academy Contract and set the fee at \$350.00 per student. AYES: Lambert, Andersen, Held, Lally and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**Discussion on Minor School Permits-** After a brief discussion on extracurricular activities and school permits, the Board defined a “special need”, on the Iowa DOT Minor School License, as a student involved in at least one extracurricular activity. Motion by Lambert/Held to approve the “special need” definition. AYES: Lambert, Held, Lally and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**First Reading of Board Policies 407.3-Licensed Employee Retirement and 413.2 Support Staff Retirement-** Superintendent Pardun briefly reviewed the change the Board made last year to these policies which set the lowest level of years of service to the District at 20 years. Motion by Lally/Andersen to approve the First Reading of Board Policies 407.3 Licensed Employee Retirement and 413.2 Support Staff Retirement. AYES: Lally, Andersen, Held, Lambert and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**Discussion on IASB Convention-**Board members who attended the IASB State Convention in November shared how the keynote speakers were entertaining, created excitement and energy for moving schools forward in preparing students.

**Administration Updates-** Trevor Urich, Broadway Elementary Principal, reported a 98% turn out for parent/teacher conferences. STAR assessments tested recently showed an additional 39 students moved to proficient since beginning of school year. The 5th grade toured the Iowa State University campus as part of a career/college awareness program. Chris Schulz, Denison Elementary Principal, reported parent/teacher conferences went well in his building too. He created the staff for working on getting the families in and for helping educate them on the importance of being involved. Mr. Schulz was really impressed by the Veteran’s Day program and the response from the Veterans. Patti Ryan, Middle School Principal, reported on the BAME (Below, Approaching, Meeting and Exceeding) Data Wall in reading for all grade levels. She shared the Math Department would like to start using BAME data as well. Dave Wiebers, High School Principal, stated that High School is busy prepping for ACT in seminars for math, science and language arts and that every Junior will have the opportunity to take the ACT at no cost. Board member John Held stated that after touring the Middle School building he was very impressed with how clean the building is and how well it is maintained. He went on to say he feels the same way, as do other board members, about all the District’s facilities. The School Board offered their appreciation to the Maintenance and Custodial Departments for their efforts.

**Adjournment-** Being no further school business a motion to adjourn at 6:49PM was made by Lally/Andersen. AYES: Lally, Andersen, Held, Lambert and Rowedder. NAYS: none. Motion Carried.

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Kris Rowedder, President  
Approval of November 19, 2018 Minutes

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Lori Ahart, Board Secretary