

**Minutes of Annual Board Meeting**  
Of the Board of Directors of the Denison Community School District  
January 21, 2019

**Board Members and Administration toured the Broadway Elementary at 5PM prior to Regular meeting.**

- Call to Order:** President Rowedder called the meeting to order at 5:42PM.
- 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; Patti Ryan, Middle School Principal; Dave Wiebers, High School Principal; and Trevor Urich, Broadway Elementary Principal
- Board Secretary:** Lori Ahart
- Others Present:** None.
- Correspondence:** None
- Consent Items-** Motion by Andersen/Lally to approve the consent items (agenda, minutes, bills, and financial reports) AYES: Anderson, Lally, Held, Lambert and Rowedder NAYS: none. Motion Carried

**Personnel Report**

**Resignations-**

Resignations presented to the Board for approval: Motion by Lally/Lambert to approve the resignations of Lori Phillips High School Spanish, Sandra Nelson Elementary Teacher, Anayeli Lemus-Bedolla and Rocio Mendoza associates and Michele Braswell Cook. AYES: Lally, Lambert, Held, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

Resignation presented to the Board for approval with early retirement benefits: Motion by Lally/Lambert to approve resignation of Margaret Ploeger Elementary Teacher and approve the request for early retirement benefits. AYES: Lally, Lambert, Held, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**Appointments-**

Appointment presented to the Board for approval: Motion by Andersen/Held to approve Brian Slater High School Assistant Softball Coach; Margaret Hanke and Tria Xiong cooks at \$12.10 per hour; and Meaghan Daley and Jordan Brungardt as Associates at \$11.94 per hour. AYES: Andersen, Held, Lambert, Lally, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none.

**Superintendent Report**

- A. Discussion about February 18, 2019 Regular Board Meeting (Consideration of Date and Time Change)-**Motion by Andersen/Lally to move the regular February meeting to February 15<sup>th</sup> at Noon. AYES: Andersen, Lally, Held, Lambert and Rowedder. NAYS; None.
- B. Discussion about Winter Board Retreat (Regular March Meeting) –** Meeting will start at 5:00 pm on March 19, 2018 in closed session for personnel evaluation with the Regular Meeting to follow.
- C. Discussion on Denison Community School FY18 Financial Audit-** Motion by Lambert/Lally to approve the Denison Community FY18 Financial Audit. AYES: Lambert, Lally, Held, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none.
- D. Presentation of Preliminary Budget and District Financial Health Information-**Business Manager Larson gave a presentation on the 2019-2020 Preliminary Budget and Financial Comparison Data for FY18. He noted enrollment is up 69 students on certified count. All indicators show the District is in sound financial health. The Governor has recommended a 2.3% increase in State Supplemental Aid, however the Legislature will set State Supplemental Aid at some point during the Legislative Session in 2019.

**Administration Updates-** Broadway Elementary Principal, Trevor Urich, shared that the second round of progress monitoring assessments with STAR took place on January 8<sup>th</sup> thru January 15<sup>th</sup> for the majority of the students. This universal screening is done three times per year. Broadway Elementary had 57 more students proficient on STAR in January then they had at the beginning of the year. The main data point that is looked at is SGP, it measures students on their growth as compared to all students that started the school year at the same point they did. Overall, the students in the building are showing great growth in reading and math. Middle School Principal ,Patti Ryan, shared they are completing Unit 2-Values and Friendships-of Second

Step this week in all three grades. All Middle School staff has been trained in Youth Mental Health First Aid between January 2nd and January 14<sup>th</sup> during professional development time. Professional Learning Communities met January 14th for ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, Fine Arts, FCS and Physical Education. She stated an essential standard for ELA is reading on grade level at the high end of the 6-8 complexity band by the time students leave Denison Middle School, while another is using textual evidence to support responses. The ELA teachers are giving a common formative assessment this week and will be meeting next week to analyze the data. High School Principal, Dave Wiebers, reported the junior class would have the opportunity to take ACT test at no cost this school year thanks to a grant. This will mean a potential 199 students could take the ACT this year. Denison High School will give the test on a Saturday in February and a Saturday in April to accommodate all the students taking the test. In a typical year, 80 to 105 students take the ACT test. This is a dramatic increase in participation. Denison High School recently hosted a large group speech contest. Denison has increased participation in speech competitions over the years, and a large number of students have qualified for the State competition. Principal Wiebers gave credit to the sponsors of the program for their hard work and dedication.

**Adjournment**-Being no further school business a motion to adjourn at 7:12PM was made by Lally/Held. AYES: Lally, Held, Lambert, Andersen and Rowedder. NAYS: none. Motion Carried.

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Kris Rowedder, President  
Approval of January 21, 2019 Minutes

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Lori Ahart, Board Secretary