

**WESTERN DUBUQUE COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Board of Education Minutes**  
Regular Meeting  
June 4, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.

**Call to Order:**

Board President Bob McCabe called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. in the Board Room – District Administration Office, Farley, Iowa, with a moment of silence and reading of the District Vision Statement and Goals.

**Roll Call:**

Present were President Bob McCabe, Vice-President Jeanne Coppola, Mark Knuth, Gary McAndrew, Chad Vaske and Superintendent Jeff Corkery.

**Approval of Agenda:**

The following changes to the Agenda were announced:

**Consent Agenda:**

Employment:

Emily Goedken - 7-12 School Counselor - CJSHS \$35,799.50  
Robert (Doug) Rolwes - Business Teacher - WDHS \$38,601.20  
Robert (Doug) Rolwes - Co-sponsor FBLA - WDHS \$647.02  
Cory Davidson - 7th Grade Football Assistant - DMIS \$1,663.80  
Tony Ball - 8th Grade Football Assistant - DMIS \$1,663.80  
Jordan Loy – Physical Education – DMIS \$32,375.20

Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to approve the Agenda with the noted changes. Motion passed 5-0.

**Welcome to Visitors, Press, Staff, etc.:**

Open Forum: There were no comments from visitors.

**Approval of Minutes and Bills:**

- a. May 14, 2012 Sessions 1&2 for Superintendent Evaluation, May 14, 2012 Regular Session and May 21, 2012 Special Meeting. Motion by McAndrew, second by Vaske to approve the Minutes. Motion passed 5-0.
- b. Bills and Claims for the month of May: Motion by Coppola, second by McAndrew to approve the bills. Motion passed 5-0.

**Reports:**

Principals Reports: As a group, the Principals thanked the School Board for their work and continued support of the ongoing educational improvement activities that are happening in the District.

President McCabe noted the appreciation letter from the City of Cascade for the community work completed by the students of Cascade HS on Cougar Pride Day – April 25<sup>th</sup>. He also extended a thank you to the Cascade FFA for their accomplishments as outlined in their Year in Review Report.

Superintendent Report:

- Workshop sessions are being held with Jay Marino to further enhance the District's ongoing continuous improvement plans.
- Building leadership teams for the next school year are undergoing changes.

- Cascade HS will be leaving the current Tri-River's Conference due to a Department of Education/Admin. Law Judge Findings on petitions from schools requesting changes in conference memberships. The change will be effective with the start of the 2013-14 school year. The two-division, 13 school conference will have the following membership - Bellevue, Cascade HS, Camanche, Durant, Mid-Prairie, Monticello, North Cedar, Northeast Goose Lake, Iowa City Regina, Tipton, West Branch, West Liberty and Wilton.
- DMIS Principal Janelle Brouwer will be leaving at the end of the school year and will join the administrative team at AEA 267 in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Mr. Corkery noted that she was an impact administrator with the District and her dedication and quality work will be missed.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Knuth, second by Vaske to approve the Consent Agenda with the noted changes. Motion passed 5-0.

- a. Financial Reports of District
- b. Personnel
  1. Resignations
    - a) Troy Brown – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football – DMIS
    - b) Jacob Feldmann – Vocational Business Teacher – WDHS
    - c) Jacob Feldmann – FBLA Co-Sponsor – WDHS
    - d) Lindy Mabeus – Girls Soccer Assistant – WDHS
    - e) Justin Smith – Social Studies Teacher – WDHS
    - f) Justin Smith – Varsity Tennis Assistant - WDHS
    - g) Heidi Streets – Vocal Music Teacher - DMIS
  2. Employment
    - a) Elizabeth Beecher – Special Education Teacher – DES \$32,375.20
    - b) Cory Davidson - 7th Grade Teacher - DMIS \$32,375.20
    - c) AmyJo Demmer – Middle School Teacher – CJHS \$33,620.40
    - d) Jacob Feldmann – Assistant High School Principal – WDHS \$70,000.00
    - e) Alysia Jensen – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher – DMIS \$32,375.20
    - f) Molly Knuth – 7-12 English Teacher – CJSHS \$33,620.40
    - g) Gina May – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Education Teacher – DMIS \$32,375.20
    - h) Madeline Mobile – PE/Health Teacher – WDHS/DMIS \$32,375.20
    - i) Charles Oldenkamp – Assistant Band Director – WDHS \$1,941.10
    - j) Grant Wulf – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Education Teacher – DMIS \$32,375.20
    - k) Emily Goedken - 7-12 School Counselor - CJSHS \$35,799.50
    - l) Robert (Doug) Rolwes - Business Teacher - WDHS \$38,601.20
    - m) Robert (Doug) Rolwes - Co-sponsor FBLA - WDHS \$647.02
    - n) Cory Davidson - 7th Grade Football Assistant - DMIS \$1,663.80
    - o) Tony Ball - 8th Grade Football Assistant - DMIS \$1,663.80
    - p) Jordan Loy – Physical Education – DMIS \$32,375.20
- c. Out of State Travel: None
- d. Policy Revisions 1st and 2nd Readings
  1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 605.6 Internet – Appropriate Use
- e. Equipment/Fund Raising Project Requests: None
- f. Resolutions: None

**Old Business:** It was noted that the Secretary of State's Office approved the Director District Map and Resolution as adopted by the School Board at the May 21, 2012 meeting.

**New Business:**

- a. Approval of Handbooks: Motion by McAndrew, second by Coppola to approve the Handbooks as presented. Motion passed 5-0.
  1. Elementary
  2. High School
    - a) Cascade of West Dubuque Junior Senior High
    - b) Epworth of West Dubuque Senior High
      - a. Faculty Handbook
- b. 2013 IASB Call for Legislative Action Priorities: President McCabe asked that each Board member review the listing of priorities and send him their top five choices for compilation and future Board action.
- c. Approval of Construction Project Manager Proposal: Motion by Vaske, second by McAndrew to approve the Construction Manager Proposal from Conlon Construction - Dubuque, Iowa for professional services relating to the upcoming voter approved construction projects. The Proposal also includes provisions for Conlon Construction to procure the services of an Architectural firm(s) to provide required engineering services. Motion passed 5-0.

**Closed Session:** Superintendent Evaluation – Iowa Code 21.5(1) (i). Motion by Coppola, second by Knuth to enter into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5(1) (i). Roll call vote: McCabe-yes, Coppola-yes, Knuth-yes, McAndrew-yes and Vaske –yes. Motion passed 5-0. The Board entered into closed session at 6:40 p.m. and returned to open session at 7:08 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Vaske, second by Knuth to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m. on June 4, 2012.

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David A. Wegmann  
Board Secretary

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Robert McCabe  
President, Board of Education