

Dimmick Consolidated School District #175
297 North 33rd Road, LaSalle, IL 61301
School Board Meeting
Monday, April 23, 2018

Call to Order	President Deb Black called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Roll Call	Roll call showed members present: Eve Postula, Deb Black, Sid Haas and Heather Seghi. Michelle Rich arrived 6:41 p.m. Gina Mudge arrived 6:51 p.m. Laurie Ernat was absent.
Visitors	Lisa Petersen
Approval of Board Agenda	Sid Haas made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Eve Postula seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Public Comment	None.
Consent Agenda	Eve Postula made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Michelle Rich seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Postula, Rich, Seghi, Sid Haas and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Reports and Updates	
School Improvement Team Report	<p>The first through fourth grade standard based report cards are complete and await approval.</p> <p>The parent/student handbook will be ready for approval at next month's board meeting. There have been a few changes including season ticket pass options as follows; \$20.00 for adults and \$7.00 passes for seniors for each sporting event.</p> <p>The school improvement team is looking for a parent to serve on the committee for 2018 – 2019 school year.</p>
Financial Report	Mr. Linnig updated the board on the financial status of the district. Special Education and Legal costs exceeded that which was budgeted. As a result a line-item transfer resolution will be recommended in June. Based on the tax extension report received by the LaSalle County, the 2017 levy tax rate payable in 2018 will be \$1.59.
2017 Essentials Survey	The results from the 2017 5 Essentials Survey were positive and the District was rated as "Well-Organized" which is the highest overall composite score a school can earn.
Student Transportation Contract	The superintendents involved in the joint transportation contract negotiated a two year contract extension with Illinois School Bus Company for 2.5% increase per year. The contract extension awaits approval.

2018 IASB Presentation	The District’s proposal has been accepted to present a session on “Low Cost/No Costs STEM Experiences” at the School Board Convention in November 2018.
Staff Recognition	Mr. Linnig read a letter from the Illinois Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages commending Mrs. Wilcoxon for contributions in the review and update of the Illinois foreign language standards.
ISBE/Legislative Update	<p>State Representative Jerry Long is proposing a bill to permit a school board to opt out of unfunded mandates.</p> <p>SB4232 is asking that the Annual Statement of Affairs would be required to be on the school’s website and not be posted in the local newspapers.</p> <p>Senator Sue Rezin is proposing a bill that would require school districts to share a superintendent if approved through referendum.</p> <p>On April 24, 2018 Mr. Linnig, John Izzo, the District’s Attorney, and Deanna Sullivan from IASB will be going to Springfield to testify before the TIF Commission.</p>
Other	Concerns were raised regarding the future expansion plans for Illinois Cement as they look to cross 3 rd road, south of the District. This expansion may have an impact on transportation routes and therefore costs.
Action Items	
Approval of 1-4 Grade Report Cards	Heather Seghi made a motion to approve the 1 st – 4 th grade report cards. Michelle Rich seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Seghi, Rich, Postula, Mudge, Haas and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Approval of School Bus Co. Contract Extension	Sid Haas made a motion to approve the extension of the transportation contract with Illinois Central School Bus Company with a 2.5% increase in cost. Gina Mudge seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Haas, Mudge, Seghi, Rich, Postula and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
Executive Session	<p>Eve Postula made the motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss the collective bargaining matters between the public body and its employees and to review the executive session minutes at 7:21 p.m. Sid Haas seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.</p> <p>Regular meeting reconvened at 8:22 p.m.</p>
Action Items Following Executive Session	
Approval of Retention of Executive Session Minutes	Sid Haas made a motion to approve to retain all the executive session minutes. Eve Postula seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Sid Haas made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Heather Seghi seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Wineinger

President _____ Secretary