

**DANSVILLE SCHOOLS**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**February 16, 2009**

A special meeting of the Dansville Schools Board of Education was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by President Mike Kapp.

Members Present: Mary Clinton, Carolyn Jones, Charlie O'Rourke, Dan Pheils, Dave Lilly, Mike Kapp

Members Absent: Phil Minshall

Administrators: Ron Stoneman

Public Participation

None

President Kapp suggested the agenda be modified to move the discussion items after first the action item. All present board members agreed to this change.

For Action

- Motion by Mary Clinton, seconded by Charlie O'Rourke to adopt the Operating Millage Renewal as set forth in the Regular School Election Resolution and to be published in the Lansing State Journal.

**Roll Call Vote**

Carolyn Jones – yes

Charlie O'Rourke - yes

Mary Clinton – yes

Dan Pheils - yes

Dave Lilly – yes

Mike Kapp - yes

- 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

- **Motion passed**

**Discussion Item**

1. Current School Budget Revision

Janet Yachim, Supervisor of Business and Grant Services at Ingham ISD, gave a presentation of the 2008-09 budget revision. A copy of the presentation is on file at the Superintendent's office for review.

Mr. Stoneman discussed fund balance goals for the District and the need to have a policy regarding this.

Ms. Yachim stated Dansville Schools has the 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest fund balance in Ingham County, behind Webberville Schools. The next step in the budget process is to adopt a budget revision.

In the coming months, preparation of the 2009-10 budget will begin.

Ms. Yachim will attend the regular February board meeting to review the new financial reports. She will also attend the March quarterly board meeting.

2. Kingscott Pre-Bond Agreement

- a. A pre-bond agreement was sent from the district to Thrun Law Firm for review. Thrun noted some changes to the agreement the Board needed to discuss.
- b. Upon agreement with Thrun and Kingscott, the Board would like to proceed to approving/adopting this proposal.
- c. Mike Kapp questioned the desire for a press release to accompany the approval/adoption of this proposal. Mr. Stoneman will investigate options. A community meeting is scheduled in March and will include this topic for discussion.

- d. Language changes, clarifications and suggestions were identified and will be discussed with Kingscott.

3. Student Management System

- a. A new student database for use by the district. This system gives more options than the current system Dansville Schools currently utilizes.
- b. The Board questioned features of PowerSchool and parent access. Also access for community members with no children attending Dansville Schools.
- c. The potential for a standard grading system exists for the District with this program.
- d. Teachers will be able to access from their homes.
- e. The software tracks all homework and tests with up-to-date grades.

Motion by Mary Clinton, seconded by Dan Pheils at 7:51 p.m. to enter into closed session to discuss the Superintendent Stoneman's evaluation.

**Roll Call Vote**

Carolyn Jones – yes	Dave Lilly - yes
Mary Clinton – yes	Dan Pheils - yes
Charlie Rourke – yes	Mike Kapp - yes

- 6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent
  - **Motion passed**

The Board re-convened to open session at 8:40 p.m.

At 8:44 Superintendent Stoneman was asked to join the meeting to discuss his evaluation. The Board gave Superintendent Stoneman the opportunity to review his evaluation scores and comments before discussion.

Vice President Mary Clinton expanded on the evaluation tool and the number ranking system, explaining the Board had agreed upon a rating system.

The Board expressed their confirmation that Superintendent Stoneman had achieved their expectations and to do the job they hired him to do.

President Mike Kapp elaborated on Superintendent Stoneman's qualities and achievements during his first year with the district and how successful he has been. The Board does not consider Superintendent Stoneman's evaluation as "average".

Motion by Charlie O'Rourke, seconded by Dave Lilly to adopt the Superintendent Evaluation as presented to Superintendent Stoneman.

- 6 yes, 0 no
  - **Motion passed**

Mr. Stoneman discussed the negotiation of the DESPA contract, which is expiring June 30, 2009. Superintendent Stoneman made suggestions for board negotiation committees for both the DESPA and DEA; Vice President Mary Clinton to act as chair on DESPA team along with Dave Lilly and Charlie O'Rourke. President Mike Kapp to act as chair on DEA team along with Phil Minshall and Dan Pheils.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dan Pheils, Secretary