

**Dimmick Consolidated School District #175**  
**297 North 33<sup>rd</sup> Road, LaSalle, IL 61301**  
**School Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, August 16, 2023**

- Call to Order** President Deb Black called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Roll Call** Roll call showed members present: Clayton Mudge, Chad Crane, Deb Black, Josh Turigliatti, Laurie Ernat, Heather Seghi, and Debbie Herz.
- Visitors** Teri Rossman, Lisa Petersen
- Approval of Board Agenda** Josh Turigliatti made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Clayton Mudge seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Public Comment** None.
- Consent Agenda** Laurie Ernat made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Chad Crane seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Ernat, Crane, Turigliatti, Mudge, Herz, Seghi and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- Reports and Updates**
- RtI/MTSS Report** Mrs. Petersen presented the 2022-23 RtI/MTSS report to the board. The number of students qualifying for assistance was significantly higher at the start of the year, but improvements were made by the spring benchmark testing. Thirty-one students will begin interventions at the beginning of the 2023-24 school year. Mrs. Petersen and Mrs. Zielinski will continue to co-teach in the classrooms. There will be continued research in math and language art services as they align to standards.
- Principal Report** Dr. Rossman summarized the IAR testing scores in Math and ELA/Literacy. Dimmick students' average scores were above the state average in every grade except 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades in Math. District efforts will be concentrated on improvement in K-4<sup>th</sup> reading and Jr. High math.
- Mrs. Rossman invited the board members to Floats with Friends on Tuesday, August 22, 2023.
- Preliminary Budget Summary for 2024** Mr. Linnig summarized the 2023-2024 preliminary budget. The district remains financially sound. A copy of the budget will be available in the district office for review for 30 days prior to the tentatively scheduled hearing which will be held on September 20, 2023, at 6:30PM. The preliminary FY 2024 budget and schedule for the public hearing await approval.
- Contracts Exceeding \$25,000 Report** The Contracts Exceeding \$25,000.00 Report is an annual requirement and will be posted on the website and awaits approval.
- 2023 PTAB Petitions** The estimate of losses for the petition from Menards would be an additional \$8,615.00 after already losing \$10,836.00. Mr. Linnig has been in contact with L-P Twp. High

School, LaSalle County, and IVCC regarding a partnership to intervene to share the costs in an effort to form a united front and save taxpayers.

The Peru Mall has also submitted a petition to lower its assessed value significantly with an estimated loss to the District of \$15,588. Mr. Linnig will be reaching out to the impacted taxing bodies about including this case in the partnership. The approval to intervene in the petitions awaits approval.

### **Facilities Update**

- The playground project is done except for three picnic table tops the have not arrived.
- The Water well pump has been replaced.
- Mr. Linnig has lined up A&M Gutterman to do the snow removal for the upcoming year. The price per hour is the same as last year.
- The district received a proposal for the solar panel project from GRP Wegman. After considering the potential loss of interest income, it is estimated that payback would shift from ten to about 14 years. A Building and Grounds Committee Meeting will be held to discuss the proposal further.

### **Policy Updates**

The following policies were presented for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and await approval:

- 4:10 Fiscal and Business Management
- 4:30 Revenue and Investments
- 4:40 Incurring Debt
- 4:45 Insufficient Fund Checks and Debt Recovery
- 4:70 Resource Conservation
- 4:90 Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds
- 4:100 Insurance Management

The following policies were presented for 1<sup>st</sup> reading:

- 7:100 Health, Eye and Dental Examination; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students
- 7:280 Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease

### **Resolution for Hazardous Routes**

The Hazardous Routes Resolution designates areas within 1.5 miles of the school as hazardous to recognize lack of safe walkways and crosswalks and allows for bus transportation reimbursement from ISBE. The resolution awaits approval.

### **Other**

Mr. Linnig reminded the board members that their Statement of Economic Interest receipts are due in the school office. This is the first year the auditor requested them to be on file in the school office.

### **Action Items**

#### **Approval of Preliminary FY'24 Budget and Set Budget Hearing**

Josh Turigliatti made a motion to approve the preliminary budget for 2024 and set the budget hearing for September 20, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. Chad Crane seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Turigliatti, Crane, Mudge, Ernat, Herz, Seghi and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

#### **Approve Contracts Exceeding \$25,000.00 Report**

Ebbie Herz made a motion to approve of the contracts exceeding \$25,000.00 Report. Heather Seghi seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Herz, Seghi, Crane, Mudge, Turigliatti, Ernat, and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Approval to Intervene in 2023 PTAB Petitions**

Josh Turigliatti made a motion to approve the authorization to intervene in the 2023 PTAB petitions for Menards and the Peru Mall. Laurie Ernat seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Turigliatti, Ernat, Mudge, Crane, Herz, Seghi and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Approve Policy Updates**

Heather Seghi made a motion to approve the updates to policies: 4:10, 4:30, 4:40, 4:45, 4:70, 4:90 and 4:100. Laurie Ernat seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Seghi, Ernat, Turigliatti, Mudge, Crane, Herz and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Approval of Resolution Designating Hazardous Routes**

Debbie Herz made a motion to approve the resolution determining the existence of safety hazards within 1.5 miles of Dimmick CCSD #175 as per the IDOT guidelines. Heather Seghi seconded the motion. Roll call yeas: Herz, Seghi, Crane, Mudge, Turigliatti, Ernat and Black. Nays: None. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Heather Seghi made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. Debbie Herz seconded the motion. A voice vote indicated all yeas. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Wineinger

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