

Danville Board of Education
April 19, 2021 Regular Meeting
Act 1747 Information
Danville Family & Consumer Science Classroom

Members present: Bob Stanley, Charity Knight, Jeff Gilkey, Kim Sullivan

Others present: Gregg Grant, Kim Foster, Kelly Klober, Teddy Qualls, Jenni Phomsithi, Randee Gilkey, Sheila Trusty, Brittany Blankenship, Amber Hern, Andrea Fuentez, Annie Gillespie, Abby Barkhimer

1. Jeff Gilkey called the meeting to order at 5:00.
2. Sheila Trusty explained Highly Effective Schools Accreditation received by the elementary school.
3. Klober recognized Brittany Blankenship and Amber Hern as DESE Cohort 1 High Reliability teachers. Blankenship and Hern summarized the experience. Fuentez was accepted into the second cohort and spoke to why she wanted to participate.
4. Klober recognized the School of Innovation (SOI) team. SOI teams take data and apply innovative solutions. Areas of focus for the elementary include student engagement, social emotional learning, and reading. The SOI team was recognized (Barkhimer, Gillespie, Fuentez, Blankenship).
5. Mr. Teddy Qualls presented the middle school principal's report, which included: finished testing; had a kick-off concert for students and ordered prizes for students; Be Pro Be Proud truck for 8th grade career classes.
6. Mrs. Kim Foster presented the high school principal's report, which included: through with ACT Aspire testing; Be Pro Be Proud truck offered hands-on job opportunities for high school students; scheduling has started; spring sports wrapping up; senior nights and district coming up; prom May 1, will take a bus; teacher appreciation week is first week in May; seniors last day is May 3; graduation May 12.
7. There was no new business or old business.
8. Kim Sullivan made a motion to approve the March minutes Bob Stanley seconded. The motion carried.

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9. Mr. Grant presented the financial reports, which included: spring sports money coming in; operating is \$1.55, which is more than last year; large purchases include \$87,000 from Title I for Chromebooks; Virtual Arkansas purchased last month. Bob Stanley made a motion, Kim Sullivan seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
10. School of Innovation was presented for board approval. Kim Sullivan made a motion to approve; Bob Stanley seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
11. Mr. Grant presented the Superintendent's Report, which contained: another voucher bill has been approved, but in tax and revenue as opposed to education -- will be voted on again in Senate, then House if passes; no new COVID positives since returning from spring break; mask mandate and playground mandates have been relaxed; graduation will be indoors with 10 tickets per senior.
12. Phomsithi and Grant presented the Digital Learning Plan. Recommendation by Grant to approve the plan. Knight made a motion; Sullivan seconded. Motion passes. 4-0
13. Special education application was recommended for approval. Sullivan made a motion to approve; Stanley seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
14. Classified staff rehires were approved. Knight made a motion to approve classified staff rehires; Sullivan seconded. Approved. 4-0
15. Letters of recognition: Emily Dodson, Emily Jennings, Gregg Grant, Taylor Collum. Sullivan, Knight seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
16. Proposed 2021-2022 Salary Schedule was presented, along with a summary of the newly passed law for equalization in teacher salaries. Sullivan made a motion to pass the proposed salary schedule; Knight seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
17. ESSER II funding we're looking at spending on HVAC units, to address loss of learning, to provide summer school, a new bus, and to purchase additional computers. Recommendation to use funds for recruitment and retention at a \$500 one-time bonus for all contracted staff returning in August, along with new staff. Sullivan made a motion; Stanley seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
18. Continuity of Academic Services proposal is to give teachers a one-time payment of \$10 per day for every day teachers were physically present out of the 178-day student calendar. Knight made a motion; Sullivan seconded. Motion passed. 4-0

19. Point of Contact stipend recommendation to give Anita Harper a one-time spring bonus of \$3,000 for serving as point of contact. Stanley made a motion; Sullivan seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
20. Recommendation to hire Charles Rimmer as a football coach. Stanley made a motion to approve; Stanley seconded. Motion passed. 4-0
21. Sullivan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stanley seconded. The meeting was adjourned. 4-0

Jeff Gilkey, President

Susan Wilkins, Secretary / Treasurer