

**UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DYSART-GENESE0-LA PORTE CITY
Special Board Meeting
August 8, 2022
(pending board approval)**

Call to Order: Board President Corey Lorenzen called the special meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. The following board members were present: Reid Carlson, Ben Schemmel, Maureen Hanson, and Lindsey Piph0.

Agenda: On a motion by Schemmel, second by Hanson, the agenda was approved. Motion carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Resignations:

Amy Billington HS Assistant Softball	
Cole Johnson	LPC Elementary Custodian
Kathy Krug	Board Secretary and School Business Official
Jeremy Robb	HS Head Softball

Approval of Transfers/Reassignments:

Morgan Hook	LPC Elementary Associate to Transportation
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Approval of New Hires:

Greg Nolan	Transportation (Bus Driver, La Porte City)
Mike Timmer	Transportation (Sub Bus Driver)

Open Enrollment:

On a motion by Schemmel, second by Piph0, the board approved the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

On a motion by Hanson, second by Carlson, the board approved the Good Cause Open Enrollment applications for the Anderson family pursuant to Iowa Code section 282.18(11)(a)(8). Motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Matt Townsley will facilitate two PD days as well as Zoom sessions with MS/HS staff on Standards Referenced Grading. *Financial Updates:* Increased minimum wage for classified subs. *Facility Updates:* Met with Hawkeye Alarm about key fobs/key cards for the Dysart buildings; Met with Doors Inc for recommendations on locks for interior doors at Dysart buildings; Approved resurfacing the two asphalt areas at DG. Also discussed the LPC Elementary playground surface; Met with Mark Moine and reps from KCL Engineering about the security camera project, MS Phase III and other future projects; Tentative timeline for the security camera work in both elementary buildings and middle school is set the date for the public hearing in September, hearing in October, begin work over Christmas and spring break and finish up in June 2023; Looking at resurfacing some of the track behind the high school. *Transportation Update:* Two buses have arrived; Bus routes updated and ready for Aug 15 agenda; Seeking bid for gravel at the La Porte bus barn. *Marketing:* Fusion Forward is updating the district website with a new look. *Staffing:* Several coaching positions to fill; Kim Lubbert is working as the interim SBO for the

District; To meet student needs an associate will be added at the high school and La Porte Elementary. *Closing Comments:* The Administrative team attended the Fall School Administrators of Iowa conference; Receiving positive feedback from staff on communications; Working with the district office staff on the possibility of adding back a position that was eliminated in June 2020; Fall practices began today. Best wishes to the coaches and participants this fall.

Superintendent/Board Relations and Goals/Objectives for New Superintendent by Kevin Fiene, Grundmeyer Leadership Services:

Kevin Fiene, of Grundmeyer Leadership Services facilitated the board work session. They discussed the role of the school board and their duties as defined in Board Policy. Goals for 2022-2023 will be developed over the next month and those will be the guiding force for the coming year. They will also lay the groundwork and evaluative tool for Supt. Howard. Mr. Fiene will return to continue working with the board on these goals on August 29.

Upcoming Meetings:

Monday, August 15, 2022- Regular board meeting, 6 p.m., Board Room at Union High School.

Monday, August 29, 2022- Board Work Session, 6 p.m., Board Room at Union High School

Adjourn:

On a motion by Schemmel, second by Pipho, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Corey Lorenzen, President

Diane Roberts, Business Office Assistant