

**UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DYSART-GENESE-OLA PORTE CITY
April 1, 2024**

PUBLIC HEARING

Call to Order: Board President Corey Lorenzen called the public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at Union High School. The following board members were present: Reid Carlson, Carly McGivern, Brandon Paine, Lindsey Piphon, and Ben Schemmel.

Discussion of the FY25 Budget. There will be a decrease in the tax levy to \$11.87310 for 2024-2025. The Union tax levy is in the very low end of the state. A power point presentation will be given at the April 15 meeting on how school funding comes together for districts.

Adjourn. On a motion by Schemmel, second by McGivern, the Public Hearing on the FY25 Budget closed at 6:06 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

REGULAR MEETING

Call to Order: Corey Lorenzen called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. in the Board Room at Union High School. The following board members were present: Reid Carlson, Carly McGivern, Brandon Paine, Lindsey Piphon, and Ben Schemmel

Approval of Agenda: On a motion by Paine, second by Schemmel, the agenda was approved as amended. Motion carried 6-0. The amendment was to delay action on item E, New Hires.

Consideration of Actions on Consent Items. Approval of the March 19, 2024 board minutes; Approval of board policies- 2nd Reading- 412.1- Classified Employee Compensation; 412.2- Classified Employee Wage and Overtime Compensation; 412.3- Classified Employee Group Insurance Benefits (I, II); 412.4- Classified Employee Tax Shelter Programs; 413.1- Classified Employee Resignation; 413.2- Classified Employee Retirement; 413.3- Classified Employee Suspension; 413.4- Classified Employee Dismissal; 413.5- Classified Employee Reduction in Force; 414- Classified Employee Professional Purposes Leave; 501.14- Open Enrollment Transfers- Procedures as a Sending District; 501.15- Open Enrollment Transfers- Procedures as a Receiving District; 803.1- Disposition of Obsolete Equipment. Approval of board policies- 1st Reading- 705.1- Purchasing and Bidding; 803.2 Lease, Sale, or Disposal of School District Buildings and Sites. Approval of Resignations- Robert Driscoll, HS Girls' Head Basketball Coach; Kayla Grigg- LPC Special Education Associate; Joe Hadachek, HS Asst. Football Coach; Kelli Knoop- DG Special Education Associate; Jonni Meier- UHS Kitchen; Leah Rohrbach- LPC Special Education Associate; Approval of Transfers/Reassignment- Kelli Knoop- DG Administrative Assistant; Leah Rohrbach, LPC Administrative Assistant. Financials. Open Enrollment Requests. Fundraisers. On a motion by Schemmel, second by Carlson, the consent agenda was approved as amended. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Report: *Information-* The City of La Porte City has agreed to share some maintenance duties with the school beginning with the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Some of those duties include annual plumbing inspections, annual safety walk; bleacher inspection and cleaning; winterization of the irrigation systems; annual fence walk/inspection; and gutter inspection and cleaning. There are State sharing incentive funds available to cover the cost of this agreement. Staff and parents from LPC will participate in the principal interviews on April 9. Based on feedback from the board at last month's meeting, graduating seniors will be recognized for their academic achievement beginning with the Class of 2025. Finalized the date with Black Hawk and Tama counties for a tabletop safety exercise prior to any on-site training. Mindy Benson with Black Hawk County Emergency Management will conduct the staff training on May 2. Kim is working on numbers for negotiations. Things are at a standstill until the requirements from the State are received. Designs for the DG Playground are included in the board documents. The committee and Mr. Weber have done an excellent job. The State of Iowa desk audit is done. We

have to submit board policies, PD plans, schedules, calendar, etc., to the state for approval. I have a Zoom scheduled with RSP of Kansas City for some more comprehensive enrollment project work. Other area districts have used them and highly recommend them. Reminder, ISASP testing is coming up. A communication is coming out soon, possibly as early as tomorrow. The work comp experience modification is less than 1, which is good.

New Business:

Consider approval of the quotes from Beebee's Floors for resanding, resurfacing and repainting the UHS gym floor. On a motion by Piphoo, second by Paine, the board approved the quotes from BeeBee's Floors in the total amount of \$27,506.53. Motion carried 6-0.

Consider approval of the sharing agreement with the City of La Porte City for Director of Maintenance duties beginning in the 2024-2025 school year. On a motion by Schemmel, second by Carlson, the board approved the sharing agreement with the City of La Porte City for Director of Maintenance duties beginning in the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried 6-0.

Consider approval of the FY25 proposed health insurance rates. On a motion by Schemmel, second by Paine, the board approved the FY25 health insurance rates. Motion carried 6-0.

Closed Session. On a motion by Schemmel, second by Paine, the board went into a closed session at 6:22 p.m. as provided in Section 21.5(1)(i) of the Iowa Code; to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Roll call vote: Lorenzen, aye; McGivern, aye; Piphoo, aye; Carlson, aye; Paine, aye, and Schemmel, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

Adjourn Closed Session. On a motion by Piphoo, second by Paine, the closed session was adjourned. Roll call vote: McGivern, aye; Piphoo, aye; Carlson, aye; Paine, aye; Schemmel, aye; and Lorenzen, aye. Motion carried 6-0.

The board returned to open session at 7:34 p.m.

Consider approval of the list of elementary principal candidates to interview for the LPC Elementary Principal position. On a motion by Piphoo, second by McGivern, the board approved the list of principal candidates to interview for the LPC Elementary Principal position. Motion carried 6-0. By consensus of the board the following have been selected for interviews: Molly Dabroski, Mary Peterson, Danielle Hakeman, and Leah Tanney, with Keith Halverson as the alternate.

Adjourn. On a motion by Schemmel, second by Carlson, the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Corey Lorenzen
Board President

Diane Roberts
Board Secretary