The Dike-New Hartford Board of Education met October 16, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. for the regular monthly meeting with Lotts presiding and members Badker, Horner, McCarter and Petersen. Also present was administrator Stockdale.

Visitors present included Chad Bixby, Waylon Bern, Travis Druvenga, Brian Petullo, Tom Textor, and Joanna Seymour.

The agenda was approved as amended on motion of Badker and second of Petersen. Vote all aye. Amendment included the approval of Logan Peyton's contract as junior-high assistant boys wrestling coach. The interview and hiring recommendation was completed after the agenda was set, and the season began before the November board meeting.

Minutes of the September 18, 2024 Regular Meeting were approved as written on motion of McCarter and second of Horner. Vote all aye.

Focus on Learning - Tom Textor and Joanna Seymour presented to the board on the statewide K-6 Personalized Reading Plan for literacy.

Principal, Technology, and Building & Grounds Reports were reviewed with no action taken.

On motion of Horner and second of Petersen, the early graduation requests for Jordan Hinz, Isabel Niedert, and Alex Jones were approved. Vote all aye.

On motion of McCarter and second of Badker, the cross country trip to Estes Park, Colorado scheduled for August 2025, was approved. Vote all aye.

Superintendent Stockdale reviewed the certified enrollment for the 2024-25 school year with no action taken.

Resignations were approved on motion of Badker and second of Horner:

- Elli Eiklenborg - JH Girls Track Coach
- Royce Byrnes - JH Wrestling Coach

Vote all aye.

Contracts were approved on motion of McCarter and second of Petersen:

- Andrew Breitsprecher - Assistant Speech Coach
- Royce Byrnes - Assistant HS Wrestling Coach (0.5)
- Logan Peyton - JH Wrestling Coach

Vote all aye.

The Board discussed the possibility of adding an additional assistant track coach. The discussion was tabled until a future meeting.

First reading of early retirement policies 407.6, 407.6E1, 413.6, 413.6E1 was approved on motion of McCarter second of Badker. Vote all aye.

Superintendent Stockdale presented the Board with an estimate and blueprint design for the upgrades of the concession stand at the New Hartford campus. No action was taken.

Second reading of policies 502.10, 603.1, and 700 were approved on motion of McCarter second of Horner. Vote all aye.

The Modified Allowable Growth request for 2023-24 Special Ed Deficit of $497,900.15 was approved on motion of Petersen and second of McCarter. Vote all aye.

The Annual Audit Report for 2022-23 was reviewed and approved on motion of Badker and second of Horner. Vote all aye.

Bills of the General, Activity and Nutrition funds were approved for payment on motion of Petersen and second of McCarter. Vote all aye.

Financial Reports of the General and Activity funds were approved as presented on motion of Horner and second of Badker. Vote all aye.

Other items of discussion items included the following: an update on the plans for the upcoming Iowa Association of School Board Convention; postseason plans and schedules for football, volleyball, cross country, and cheer; the Modified Allowable Growth request for 2023-24 LEP Excess Costs; and a follow-up on Superintendent Stockdale's 2024-25 goals. Motion by Horner, second by Petersen to approve the Superintendent goals for 2024-2025.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m. The November board meeting will be held on November 20, 2024 in the DNH HS Library at 5:00 p.m.

APPROVED: _____ _____

Christa Lotts, President Kayla Sabbah, Secretary