The Dike-New Hartford Board of Education met September 17, 2025 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, Tom Textor, Travis Druvenga, Brian Petullo, Cody Eichmeier, Amy White, Elisa Russ-Poggemiller, Abbie Banwarth, and Julie Cuvelier.

The regular meeting agenda was approved as amended on motion of Badker and second of McCarter. Vote all aye. The agenda was amended to include the resignation from Frances Klug, which was received after the agenda had already been publicly posted.

Minutes of the August 20, 2025 regular meeting were approved as written on the motion of Horner and second of Petersen. Vote all aye.

Focus on Learning - Mrs. White presented to the board on the Spanish Trip to Costa Rica this summer.

Principal, Activities, and Technology reports were reviewed with no action taken.

On the motion of Petersen and second of Badker, the out of state FFA trip for National FFA Convention and Expo was approved. Vote all aye.

On the motion of McCarter and second of Horner, the field experience contract with Hawkeye Community College was approved. Vote all aye.

The district will hold Informational update meetings to review the results from the PK-4 Programming & Logistics survey that was collected. The meetings are scheduled for October 8, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the DNH Junior High/NH Elementary, multipurpose room. And, again on November 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the DNH high school auditorium. No action was needed.

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

- Andrew Breitsprecher - HS Assistant Speech Coach
- Frances Klug - Dike Elementary Associate

Vote all aye.

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

- Amy Seitz - JH Yearbook Advisor

Vote all Aye.

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

The approval to seek bids for painting the bus barn was approved on motion of McCarter and second of Badker. Vote all aye.

The approval to begin planning and seeking bids for the greenhouse project was approved on motion of Petersen and second of Horner. Vote all aye.

Second reading of board policy 200.2 was approved on motion of Badker second of Petersen. Vote all aye.

Second reading of board policies 211, 402.02, 402.03, 405.02, 411.02, 501.03, 501.09, 501.09R1, 503.10 (NEW), 505.05, 507.01, 603.01, 603.05 was approved on motion of Horner second of Badker. Vote all aye.

The agreement with Joe Sanfelippo to be the 2026-27 keynote speaker was tabled for further discussion.

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, Activity and Nutrition funds were approved as presented on motion of Badker and second of Horner. Vote all aye.

The 5-year facility plan was reviewed with the board to discuss both current and future projects for the district. The board would like to keep the PPEL/SAVE balance no lower than $750,000.

Other items of discussion with no action taken was an update on the upcoming Iowa Association of School Board Convention taking place November 19-21, 2025.

The Board entered into closed session at 6:54 p.m. as provided in 21.5(1)(a) of the open meetings law to review Superintendent Stockdale's goals for the 2025-2026 school year on motion by Horner second of Badker. Vote all aye.

Exit out of closed session at 7:12 p.m. on motion of McCarter second by Petersen. Vote all aye.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. The September board meeting will be held on October 22, 2025 in Dike at 5:00 p.m.

APPROVED: _____ _____

Christa Lotts, President Kayla Sabbah, Secretary