

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors
of Western Dubuque County Community
School District

On July 8, 1960, the Board of Directors of Western Dubuque County Community School District held its organization meeting at the offices of the District in Farley Iowa, pursuant to the call of the Dubuque County Superintendent of Schools. Present were: LaVerne Deutmeyer, Harold Driscoll, Irvin Recker, Merle Ross and Raymond Scherrman, each of whom was sworn in as a Director. Harold Driscoll was duly elected President of the Board, and Merle Ross, secretary pro tem.

Thereupon the following resolution was duly adopted:

Whereas, in accordance with Section 275.18, Code of Iowa, 1958, a special election was duly called on June 15, 1960 upon the proposition of establishment of a proposed school corporation to be known as the Western Dubuque County Community School District, consisting of lands in Dubuque, Delaware, Jackson and Jones Counties, and at such election, such proposition was duly carried in accordance with Section 275.20 Code of Iowa, 1958: and

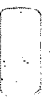
Whereas, on July 6, 1960, at a special election duly called pursuant to Section 275.25, Code of Iowa, 1958, LaVerne Deutmeyer, Harold Driscoll, Irvin Recker, Merle Ross and Raymond Scherrman were duly elected as Directors of such District:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that a school corporation known as the Western Dubuque County Community School District be declared to have been legally established, effective July 1, 1960 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 275, Code of Iowa, 1958, with the foregoing named individuals as its duly constituted Board of Directors, who hereby assume full control of the affairs of such newly formed District according to law.

The President, Harold Driscoll then read a letter of application from Mrs. Harriet Feese, applying for a position as secretary to the board. After due consideration and motion by Merle V. Ross and second by Irvin Recker, the letter was acknowledged and filed, with the Secretary pro tem for further action at a later date. Motion was carried unanimously.

The President then read a letter from T. E. Knowlton, submitting an application for Superintendent of the Western Dubuque County Community School District. After considerable discussion and a motion by Ross and second by Recker the letter was filed for action at a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

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Mark V. Ross
secretary, pro tem.

Considerable time was spent in discussion with County Superintendent Wayne Drexler and Hal Reynolds, legal counsel of the District during its formation, as to future action and requirements of the board.
Upon motion by Ross and seconded by Recker, the board adjourned to July 11, 1960 at 8:00 P. M. at the Farley School. Motion carried unanimously.

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July 11, 1960
Farley School--- 8 P. M.

The meeting was called to order by President Driscoll,

- Members Present
- Harold Driscoll
- Irvin Recker
- Raymond Scherrman
- Laverne Deutmeyer
- Merle Ross

It was moved by Ross and seconded by Deutmeyer that Wayne Drexler be contracted for one year, effective July 1, 1960 as the superintendent of the district, with a base salary of \$11,000.00 annually, with said salary to be increased each year of his employment \$300.00 per year for a maximum of 10 years. An additional allowance in the amount of \$50.00 per child in his family to be given each year on the anniversary date of his contract. An expense allowance of \$1,000.00 per year was added to be drawn upon as needed and approved by the board. The secretary pro-tem is authorized to have Hal Reynolds draw the contract for final approval of the board.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ross and seconded by Scherrman that Ralph Buchman be contracted for one year effective July 1, 1960 as principal of the district, for the annual consideration of \$7,800.00 per year, with the base salary being increased each year of his employment by \$200.00 for a maximum of 10 years. \$50.00 per child in his family is to be given each year on the anniversary date of his contract. The secretary pro-tem is authorized to engage Hal Reynolds to draw the contract for final approval of the board, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Scherrman and seconded by Ross the following vacation schedule should apply to both the position of superintendent and principal.

- During first year of successful employment--- 1 week with pay
- After 3 years of satisfactory employment---- 2 weeks with pay
- After 5 years of satisfactory employment---- 3 weeks with pay

Motion carried unanimously.

Several petitioners from the S. Garryowen area were present at the meeting and considerable time was spent in discussing the problems of teachers in the area. The board asked that the Superintendent investigate and make recommendations for the approval of the board at a later date.

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Secretary

M. R. Ross

Motion by Scherрман and second by Becker that the meeting adjourn. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion made by Ross and seconded by Becker that Drexler be authorized to check the matter of legal fees due in the South Fork Township area. Should any question arise as to responsibility of the Western Dubuque County Community School District for these legal fees continuing, a letter should be sent to the Ingersol Firm advising them of termination of any such alleged responsibility. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion by Scherрман and second by Ross that the janitorial services in Cascade, Epworth and Farley schools be renewed according to past contracts, and that Drexler be authorized to notify the affected personnel. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ross and second by Scherрман that the regular meeting of the board be held on the first Thursday of each month at the school administration office. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ross and second by Becker that the Epworth Savings Bank be named as the official depository of the district, subject to a guarantee of funds on deposit in excess of \$10,000.00 with the maximum amount of deposit to be named after receipt of such guarantee. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ross and second by Scherрман that Stanley Grotenhous of Epworth be appointed as treasurer-pro-tem of the district. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ross and second by Scherрман that the Superintendent make a survey of all existing buildings in the district and submit recommendations to the board for maintenance or repairs as soon as possible. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was submitted by Ross and seconded by Becker that the temporary office of the Superintendent be established at the Farley School, and that Drexler be authorized to make necessary expenditures to adequately equip the office. The motion was carried unanimously.

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