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# Destin High School Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, 10.24.2023

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** by President, Heidi LoCicero, at 6:09PM at Destin High School

## **IN ATTENDANCE:**

LoCicero, Stone, O'Neal, Sills, Palmer, Luttrell, Eubank, Silver, Larabee (parent advocate)

## **ABSENT:**

McBride

## **MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Principal's report stated our current enrollment is 556, so we are revising the budget and hope to increase enrollment by next FTE count in February 2024. LOCICERO asked for a formal plan to increase enrollment. Master calendar is currently being put together. Mrs. Cruickshank is planning on being in classrooms 1-2 hours of each day and every teacher should be observed 2x/week. All textbooks and band instruments have been inventoried by Shoreline Church during their workday at DHS. Thank you to Shoreline Church!
- LORD & SON gave a construction update. Hoping for a CO by mid December and elevator materials are the only item of concern, but they do have backup plan.
- Mr. Williams presented his "Anchored for Excellence" strategic plan. In order to become a school of excellence, we will need to use data to drive programming and decision making. SILLS commented he would like to see the board receive a quarterly report card to see the assessment and improvement of programs at DHS.
- Mr. Williams is working with FL Coastal Prep to help with increasing enrollment.
- Mr. Williams has commissioned an Athletic Advisory Council, made up of 4 coaches, Mrs. Cruickshank, Mr. Williams, one parent, and one board member to use data to help build our programs. After each athletic season is over, the council will review exit surveys, and additional information gathered, to determine the success of each program and it's season.
- Mr. Williams is kicking off his Executive Director Advisory Council Q1 2024.
- Mrs. Cruickshank's contract dates are to coincide with the fiscal year of the school.
- Treasurer's report was very complimentary of the naming ceremony for the Tripp "UpTolt" weight room. To date, we have paid out \$27,000 to alumni from our Endowment fund.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- LUTTRELL motioned to adopt meeting agenda, SILLS 2nd, motion passed unanimously
  - EUBANKS motioned to approve meeting minutes from 09/26/2023, STONE 2nd, motion passed unanimously
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- LOCICERO motioned to move December meeting to 12/19/2023, PALMER 2nd, motion passed unanimously
- PALMER motioned to add Dominic Fasula to BAC, STONE 2nd, motion passed unanimously

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Bryan Otto asked about policy on earmarked funds. He was directed to review our Segregation of Financial Duties Policy. He also asked what is the recommended amount in reserves. Our bond requires 3%.
- Nick Otto asked the status of our FHSAA eligibility. We are provisional until 2025 as we move through the required 3 year probationary period. He also asked where we are with the band program. Mr. Williams commented that it is one of our priorities to have a music program back in our school.
- Captain Mike Parker would like to help DHS become a larger part of the Destin Fishing Rodeo.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** by President, Heidi LoCicero, at 8:52 PM