

DUBUQUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Educational Programs/Policy/Strategy Committee

BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES

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 - D. Board Committee: **Educational Programs/Policy/Strategy Committee**
 - E. Date and Time of Meeting: **April 5, 2016, 2:00 p.m.**
 - F. Place of Meeting: The Forum
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Board members present: Tami Ryan, Jim Prochaska, Lisa Wittman. District representatives present: Stan Rheingans, Jeff Johll, Shirley Horstman.

Ms. Ryan called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. at the Forum.

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Social Studies Curriculum Update

Jeff Johll, Assistant Principal at Roosevelt Middle School/Social Studies Curriculum Coordinator, reported that in 2008 the district completed a curriculum study looking for a program that was activity based, able to meet the multiple needs of students, and be technology-based. The programs selected are Social Studies Alive! at the elementary level and History Alive! at the secondary level. It is still the best social studies program for a unified K-8 program and continues to receive high ratings from teachers. Mr. Johll guided members through the online teacher view and student view.

#5107 – School Attendance

Shirley Horstman, Director of Student Services, indicated that a committee was formed to formally review this policy. She reviewed the proposed revisions. Board 4/11/16

#5302 – Participation in Charitable Activities

Minor revisions are required since it is no longer legal to use district funds (even fundraising dollars) to benefit an individual or a family in need. Board 4/11/16

Other Items

Mr. Prochaska brought up the issue of moving principals. Mr. Rheingans indicated that it is being considered, but only if both schools would benefit from the change.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 3 at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Joni Lucas, Secretary