School Board President Jeffery Scherer called the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the School District of Delavan-Darien to order in the School Administration Center at 7:00 p.m. Clerk James Hansen took the roll call. Board members present were S. Logterman, R. Kelton, J. Peyer, Sharon Gonzalez, and J. Hansen. Board members absent were C. Kort. President Scherer explained that a public hearing shall be held at which time any resident or taxpayer of the governmental unit shall have an opportunity to be heard on the proposed budget.

2014-2015 Budget Hearing: President Scherer introduced Superintendent Robert Crist and Business Administrator Mark Powell. Mr. Powell reviewed the 2014-2015 budget summary booklets that had been provided to those in attendance, highlighting increases and decreases in the budget. Mr. Powell explained that school districts operate under revenue limits. Due to increased educational expenditures anticipated in 2013-14, the administration used the Baird projection model to estimate the 2014-15 budget. Based on this, it became clear that if current programs were to be retained, reductions of other expenses and a referendum to exceed the revenue cap were needed. The discussion of a referendum began in December with the Board approving a resolution in January for an April vote to exceed the revenue limit by $2.1 million. After the referendum failed, it was necessary to lay off staff to work towards reducing a projected $2.5 million deficit. Administrative recommendations reduced the deficit to approximately $1 million which the Board voted to borrow from the Wisconsin State Trust Fund to balance the budget. The 2014-15 budget information presented reflects end of June assumptions. The total 2014-2015 budget is $33,082,257.00. The total tax levy for the general fund, debt service and community service is $15,194,757.00. The tax levy mill rate will decrease by 35 cents. The estimated tax rate for 2014 is $9.29 per $1,000 valuation, which is a 3.61% decrease. The budget presented is a preliminary budget until October when the finalized revisions will be made based on the school district enrollment and formulas from the state. There being no questions the budget hearing ended at 7:17 p.m.

President Scherer called the Annual Meeting to order immediately.

Reading of the Call: Clerk James Hansen read the official call.

Election of a Temporary Chairperson: President Scherer called for nominations for a temporary chairperson to preside at the meeting. Steve Logterman nominated Joe Peyer. Sharon Gonzalez seconded the motion. Sharon Gonzalez made a motion to close nominations with Steve Logterman seconding the motion. Joe Peyer was elected temporary chairperson.

Minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting: Steve Logterman moved to dispense with the reading of the 2013 Annual Meeting minutes and to accept the minutes as printed. Roxann Kelton seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved on a voice vote.

Treasurer’s Report: Board of Education Treasurer Sharon Gonzalez read the unaudited Treasurer’s Report for year-end June 30, 2014. Jeffery Scherer moved to accept the treasurer’s report as reported and printed. Steve Logterman seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote.
Annual Audit: Business Administrator Powell reported the annual audit has not been completed as of this date. The official audit will be available to the public for review at the School Administration Center.

2014-2015 School Board Salaries: Peggy Fleck moved that the 2014-2015 salaries for the members of the Delavan-Darien School Board of Education be set at $125.00 per month. Kelly Pickel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Reimburse Board for Expenses: Kelly Pickel moved that the school board members be reimbursed for actual and necessary expense incurred when serving on the board outside the school district. Doreen Grams seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote.

2014-2015 Tax Levy: With respect to the 2014-2015 tax levy, Peggy Fleck moved that there be and hereby is levied and assessed against the tax roll properties, both real and personal, within the confines of the School District of Delavan-Darien, to be raised during the coming year, taxes in the amount of $15,194,757, including $1,387,818 to be applied on the long term obligations of the district. Jeffery Scherer seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Authority to Sell/Dispose of Used Furniture/Equipment: Kelly Pickel moved that the Board of Education of the School District of Delavan-Darien be authorized to sell or dispose of the district furniture and/or equipment no longer required. This motion was seconded by Doreen Grams and the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

2015 Annual Meeting: Peggy Fleck moved that the 2015 Annual Meeting of the School District of Delavan-Darien be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 28, 2015 and that the meeting be held at the School Administration Center. This motion was seconded by Kelly Pickel and unanimously approved on a voice vote.

Other New Business: None

Adjourn: There being no other lawful business for the annual meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. on a Jeffery Scherer/Steve Logterman motion. The motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted:
Karen Logterman, Secretary