

DAVENPORT COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DAVENPORT SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATION SERVICE CENTER
1606 BRADY STREET
DAVENPORT, IOWA 52803

MONDAY, MAY 9, 2011

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
7:00 PM

The Board of the Davenport Community School District in the Counties of Scott and Muscatine, State of Iowa, met on Monday, May 9, 2011 for their Regular Meeting pursuant to law. The meeting was held at the Administration Service Center, 1606 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa, in said District. President Johanson called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

On roll call the following board members were present: President Ralph Johanson, Directors Larry Roberson, Ken Krumwiede, Tim Tupper and Rich Clewell. Superintendent Almanza and other administrators were also present.

Director Krumwiede read the vision statement.

I. RECOGNITION

Student Board Members

Each student was introduced and spoke about their future plans and their experience as a student board member. Makenzie Eckhardt, Aubrey Kall and Alicia Allen were present. Several board members expressed their appreciation of the participation of these students. Ben Knapper, Joe Kern and Katilyn Kelly were unable to attend.

School Board Members

Superintendent Almanza noted that it is IASB School Board Recognition Week and he gave his appreciation to our school board members for their time and commitment to the Davenport School District.

II. COMMUNICATIONS (Including Open Forum)

- A. May 17 @ 6:00PM Annual Retirement Dinner, Radisson Hotel
- B. May 20 @ Kimberly Center Graduation
- C. May 23 @ 7:00PM Regular Board Meeting, ASC, Jim Hester Board Room
- D. Open Forum for Community Input
Beth Wallace-1320 W 41st, Davenport-Ms. Wallace spoke about an After-Prom party at Northpark Mall hosted by parents from Central and North High Schools. This was an alcohol and drug-free environment for the students to continue celebrating Prom. She enjoyed working with parents from the other school and it was a wonderful collaborative experience.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

To conserve time and focus attention on non-routine matters on the agenda, the Board considered a number of items grouped together as a Consent Agenda, all items to be approved in one motion.

A. Reading of the Minutes of the Last Regular and Intervening Meetings

The minutes from the following meetings were presented for approval as follows: May 2, 2011 (COW)

B. Personnel: Appointments, Resignations, Retirements, Leaves, Etc.

APPOINTMENTS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Estes, Geoffrey Sophomore Softball North High	10% \$2,745.00
Kurtz, Matthew Assistant Sophomore Football West High	12% \$3,332.00
Steines, Ryan Sophomore Baseball North High	10% \$2,745.00
Tangen, Morgan Assistant Sophomore Softball Central High	7% \$1,922.00

APPOINTMENTS: CLASSIFIED

Jorgensen, Sonya Food Service Worker Fillmore Elementary	Effective: April 29, 2011 Salary: \$8.90/hr Hours: 3.0 hrs/day
Nielsen, James Custodian ASC	Effective: May 4, 2011 Salary: \$12.48/hr Hours: 4.0 hrs/day
Waterman, Curtis Lead Rover Custodian Operations Center	Effective: May 4, 2011 Salary: \$14.65/hr Hours: 8.0 hrs/day

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CERTIFICATED

Calicchia-Bertram, Katherine Reading Smart Intermediate	Effective: End of 2010-11 School Year Years of Service: 1 yr 10 mos
Follmer, Kirsten Language Arts Young Intermediate	Effective: End of 2010-11 School Year Years of Service: 9 mos

Ramaekers, Lindsay
 Grade 5
 Jackson Elementary

Effective: End of 2010-11 School Year
 Years of Service: 4 yrs 9 mos

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Andresen, Rebecca 6%
 Department Head \$1,647.00
 Williams Intermediate

Belz, Eugene 7%
 Sr High Intramurals \$1,922.00
 West High

Bigler, Mark 5%
 Assistant Sr High Intramurals (.5) \$686.50
 West High

Cooper, Krista 6%
 Department Head \$1,647.00
 Williams Intermediate

Diggs, John 5%
 Bowling \$1,373.00
 Central High

Donahue, William 5%
 Safety Patrol \$1,373.00
 Jackson Elementary

Estes, Geoffrey 7%
 Assistant Sophomore Softball \$1,922.00
 North High

Gamble, David 6%
 Department Head \$1,647.00
 Young Intermediate

Heinrichs, David 6%
 Department Head \$1,647.00
 Young Intermediate

Huggins, Kristin 6%
 Department Head \$1,647.00
 Young Intermediate

Lear-Finch, Kimberly 15%
 Teacher-in-charge (.5) \$2,059.00
 Children's Village Hoover

Rangel, Juan 8%
 Girls' 9th Grade Basketball \$2,196.00
 Central High

Rommel, Tara 5%
 Assistant Sr High Intramurals (.5) \$686.50
 West High

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Schmidt, Julie	15%
Teacher-in-charge (.5)	\$2,059.00
Children's Village Hoover	
Searle, Katherine	6%
Department Head	\$1,647.00
Young Intermediate	
Shiltz, Amanda	6%
Department Head	\$1,647.00
Young Intermediate	
Steines, Ryan	7%
Assistant Sophomore Baseball	\$1,922.00
North High	

RETIREMENTS: CLASSIFIED

Crockett, Joanna	Effective: May 26, 2011
Food Service Worker	Years of Service: 15 yrs 1 mo
Sudlow Intermediate	
O'Brien, Steven	Effective: April 13, 2011
Para Educator	Years of Service: 4 yrs 6 mos
Central High	
Peters, Susan	Effective: June 21, 2011
Clerk II – 10 ½ mos	Years of Service: 8 yrs 10 mos
Walcott	

CORRECTION TO 4/11/11 BOARD MINUTES

Martin, Lee	Effective: End of 2011-12 School Year 2010-11
School Year	
Para Educator	Years of Service: 13 yrs 9 mos
North High	

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CLASSIFIED

Dillie, Nanette	Effective: June 7, 2011
Food Service Head Cook	Years of Service: 10 yrs 2 mos
Wood Intermediate	
House, Melissa	Effective: May 5, 2011
Food Service Worker/Cashier I	Years of Service: 4 yrs 7 mos
West High	
Nunn, Terriana	Effective: April 21, 2011
Para Educator	Years of Service: 6 yrs 4 mos
Central High	

LEAVES OF ABSENCE: CERTIFICATED

Birr, Kiersten	Unpaid Leave of Absence
Kindergarten	Effective: 2011-12 School Year
Jackson Elementary	

LEAVES OF ABSENCE: CLASSIFIED

Polite, Merlyn
Para Educator
Central High

Unpaid Leave of Absence
Effective: April 11, 2011 – April 29, 2011

Motion: Director Krumwiede moved the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Krumwiede, Roberson, Tupper, Clewell, and Johanson. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion: Director Tupper moved the approval of the resolution: “Resolved all claims presented to the Board having been duly certified as correct by the Secretary/Treasurer, reviewed by the administration and board members, and they are hereby audited and allowed as just claims and warrants drawn on the Treasury for the several amounts. Further resolved, the payment of claims and salaries be approved as presented.” Director Clewell seconded the motion.

Voided check:
#283619 payable to A Plus Educators for \$235.00 (Workshop Cancelled)

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Tupper, Clewell, Krumwiede, Roberson and Johanson. The motion carried unanimously.

V. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

A. Building Security Entrances Projects

Motion: Director Clewell moved the board approve the lowest responsible responsive bid from JB Robertson Construction Inc. in the amount of \$283,000 to provide secure entrances for buildings. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Clewell, Roberson, Tupper, Krumwiede and Johanson. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Smart Roof Replacement Project

Motion: Director Clewell moved the board approve the lowest responsible responsive bid from Jim Giese Commercial Roofing in the amount of \$121,910 for the replacement of the roof at Smart Intermediate. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Clewell, Krumwiede, Tupper, Roberson, and Johanson. The motion carried unanimously.

C. May 2, 2011 Closed Session Discussion Vote-President deleted from agenda

D. Contract Termination

Motion: Director Roberson moved the board approve that the contract of Mitchell Elliott be terminated effective at the end of the current school year for the reasons that were set forth in the Superintendent's Notice and Recommendation to Terminate the Contract of Mitchell Elliott. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Tupper asked for clarification on why there are only two contract terminations at this time. Ms. Weipert stated that originally 15-20 positions would be terminated. As things have progressed over the past few weeks there are currently only these two positions to be terminated. Director Tupper asked for a summary of the specific changes.

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Roberson, Krumwiede, Clewell, Tupper and Johanson. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Contract Termination

Motion: Director Krumwiede moved the board approve that the contract of Ryan Hill be terminated effective at the end of the current school year for the reasons that were set forth in the Superintendent's Notice and Recommendation to Terminate the Contract of Ryan Hill. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Krumwiede, Roberson, Clewell, Tupper and Johanson. The motion carried unanimously.

VI. DISCUSSION

A. Superintendent Transition Planning

President Johanson noted that he has had some conversations with our current superintendent (Julio Almanza), the incoming superintendent (Art Tate) and the HYA consultant. The consensus was that the need for a short-term transition of an overlap between superintendents will be minimal. A suggestion of a couple of days of overlap time should suffice. The new superintendent felt that consultation time as issues arise would be helpful. There may be a time in the future when the board will consider a transition workshop or retreat with HYA, the board and the new superintendent. An estimated cost for that type of session would be approximately \$3000. Director Roberson noted that the area of state finance would be a topic that the current superintendent could help with. He also noted that if there are any new board members in the fall that

meeting with the superintendent would be helpful for those new members to bring them up to speed quickly. Director Tupper asked Mr. Almanza's opinion on a transition. He noted that he has spoken with Dr. Tate about immersing himself in the community and getting to know the board members. There are also a number of state financial issues to consider very quickly. Director Tupper suggested that the Governor's Conference later this summer may be an opportunity for team building for the board and the new superintendent. President Johanson asked the board to think about some period of time for a contract for Julio as a consultant. The directors feel that this is important time for Mr. Almanza and Dr. Tate to spend together. President Johanson will work with Mr. Almanza and Dr. Tate to develop a contract.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

VIII. BOARD REPORTS/ REQUESTS

Director Krumwiede extended the Board's sympathy to the family of Fred Fraser a long time district employee.

Director Clewell congratulated the North High School Music Department and their great success at the State Large Group contest.

Director Clewell thanked Dr. O'Melia for the presentation on attendance at the COW meeting. He would like the policy committee to deal with absences from class as an item for policy discussion.

Aubrey Kall asked about the Central Auditorium status. Mr. Almanza stated it is in the long range facility plan. We are looking at the use of the Adler Theater as an interim facility until something else can be considered. She asked if student fund raising would be appropriate. Mr. Almanza met with the principal and music director about this issue. Mr. Almanza stated it could be considered as an enhancement to the auditorium. They would need to go through Ms. Tangen to ensure the process and it would need to be presented to the board.

Director Roberson noted the article in the paper about students using city buses for transportation.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Clewell moved the board adjourn. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion. By consensus President Johanson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.