

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

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 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, June 27, 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 Nikki De Fauw, Patt Zamora, Larry Roberson and Rich Clewell. Directors Ken Krumwiede and Tim Tupper were unable to attend. Dr. O'Melia and other administrators were present.

Director Clewell read the vision statement.

I. COMMUNICATIONS (Including Open Forum)

- A. July 11-School Board Election Filing Begins with deadline of August 4
- B. July 11 @ 7:00PM Regular Board Meeting, ASC, Jim Hester Board Room
- C. July 13 @ 4:00PM Policy Committee Meeting, ASC, Conference Room B
- D. Open Forum for Community Input-No one spoke

II. 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: June 13, 2011 (Closed-Regular Meetings)

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

APPOINTMENTS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

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| Eckhardt, Sean | 12% |
| Assistant Varsity Football | \$3,332.00 |
| West High | |

APPOINTMENTS: CLASSIFIED

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| Dale, Richard Lead Custodian Young Intermediate | Effective: July 18, 2011 Salary: \$14.91/hr Hours: 8.0 hrs/day |
| Nelson, Angela Food Service Head Cook Children's Village West | Effective: June 27, 2011 Salary: \$10.19/hr Hours: 8.0 hrs/day |
| Shadden, Debra Professional Secretary II Smart Intermediate | Effective: July 27, 2011 Salary: \$12.85/hr Hours: 8.0 hrs/day |

RESIGNATIONS: ADMINISTRATIVE

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| Hawley, Todd Associate Principal Kimberly Center | Effective: June 24, 2011 Years of Service: 2 yrs |
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EARLY RETIREMENTS: CERTIFICATED

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| Isele, Laura Curriculum and Instructional Facilitator ASC | Effective: June 30, 2011 Years of Service: 6 yrs |
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RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CERTIFICATED

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| Boyer, Lauren Spanish Smart /Walcott /Young Intermediate | Effective: June 22, 2011 Years of Service: 10 mos |
| Olszewski, Lindsey Special Education, MDCC Hayes Elementary | Effective: June 7, 2011 Years of Service: 6 yrs 1 mos |

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

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| Adams, Richard 8 th Grade Volleyball Sudlow Intermediate | 8% \$2,222.00 |
| Mathews, David Boys' Assistant Varsity Swimming West High | 12% \$3,332.00 |
| Mutum, John Safety Patrol Buchanan | 5% \$1,389.00 |
| Schaeckenbach, Cory Assistant Varsity Football West High | 12% \$3,332.00 |
| Tangen, Mason Assistant 8 th Grade Football Smart Intermediate | 7% \$1,944.00 |

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CLASSIFIED

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| Anderson, Tracy Para Educator North High | Effective: May 27, 2011 Years of Service: 13 yrs 9 mos |
| Jarrell, Canetha Para Educator Washington Elementary | Effective: June 21, 2011 Years of Service: 11 yrs 9 mos |
| Logsdon, Rhonda Juvenile Court Liaison Smart Intermediate | Effective: June 13, 2011 Years of Service: 3 yrs 2 mos |
| Robbins, Wende Food Service Cook-in-Charge Truman Elementary | Effective: June 30, 2011 Years of Service: 2 yrs 4 mos |
| Shadden, Debra Para Educator Harrison Elementary | Effective: July 26, 2011 Years of Service: 13 yrs 5 mos Reason: Other District Employment |
| Statz, Corinne Para Educator Jackson Elementary | Effective: June 14, 2011 Years of Service: 1 yr 8 mos |
| Watson, Shannon Para Educator Sudlow Intermediate | Effective: June 14, 2011 Years of Service: 7 mos |

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

Discussion: Director Roberson recognized and thanked an employee, Tracy Anderson, who was leaving the district to move to another state.

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

III. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion: Director Zamora 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 Roberson seconded the motion.

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

IV. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

A. Klemme Building Demolition Plans/Specifications

Motion: Director Roberson moved the board approve the plans and specifications for the Klemme building demolition project as presented. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

A public hearing was held on the matter. No one spoke.

Discussion: Director Clewell asked if there had been any consideration of a different type of material other than asphalt for the parking lot. Mr. Martin stated that due to cost restrictions and maintenance issues asphalt is the best choice. Director De Fauw asked if there would be any parking interruptions when school starts. Mr. Martin noted that areas not completed will be roped off, but completion should be in September. Director Roberson asked if the ATM machine will remain. Mr. Martin stated it is a source of income for us and we do plan to keep it. Director Roberson asked if it's a risk factor for other people to use the ATM during district events. Mr. Martin is in discussions with the bank concerning use during games. Director Zamora asked about where the entrance gate will be located. Mr. Martin said final plans are not complete. There will be 430 spaces for cars in the new lot. Director Roberson asked why the businesses across the street are now opposed to people parking in their lots during games and cars are being towed. Mr. Martin explained that a change of businesses in the area may have caused a change in the practice. It's an area that needs to be further investigated.

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

B. Board Secretary/Treasurer Salary Package 2011-2012

Motion: Director Zamora moved the board approve the negotiated salary and benefits package for the Board Secretary/Treasurer, Lynnette Carver, for 2011-2012 as discussed in Closed Session on June 13, 2011. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Zamora, Clewell, De Fauw and Johanson. Director Roberson abstained. The motion carried.

C. IASB Dues

Motion: Director Zamora moved the board approve payment of the IASB annual membership dues for the 2011-2012 school year in the amount of \$10,366.00. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Roberson asked what we get for this fee. Director Clewell responded there are several services we receive with our dues including

financial/business, policy, legislative advocacy, training, and conferences. He also feels that one voice for Iowa schools is an important issue. Director Roberson feels that there has not been much done in these areas that have benefited our district over the past few years. Director Zamora expressed that she doesn't feel that IASB has represented the larger districts well and does not like what has been going on for the past year within the organization, but will be willing to give them a second chance out of respect for Director Clewell. Director Clewell noted that Tom Downs from the IASB would like to come to address the board before the vote.

Motion: Director Clewell moved that we table this discussion and vote until Mr. Downs, Executive Director of IASB, can address the board. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

Vote: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Clewell, Roberson, Johanson. Nays: De Fauw and Zamora. The motion carried.

The original motion has been tabled.

V. DISCUSSION

A. Policy Review

Director De Fauw asked if there were any questions concerning the recommendations for the following policies:

401.26 Golden Pass (change to Activity/Athletic Passes)-revision recommended

502.17 Wellness Policy-revision recommended

401.21 Tax Sheltered Annuities-revision recommended

401.25 Accrued Yearly Vacation-revision recommended

401.33 Use of Protective Equipment-no changes recommended. Director Roberson asked who enforces this policy. Mr. Martin noted there are regular safety meetings for employees. Director Roberson asked for this information in writing.

401.34 Public Office: Campaigning and Serving-no changes recommended

401.38 Nepotism-no changes recommended

401.39 Dental/Vision Insurance-no changes recommended

401.49 Violence in the Workplace-revision recommended

401.50 Publication of Articles-no changes recommended

Dr. O'Melia gave an update on administrative regulations. She asked for board input on 505.06A (Eligibility Procedures Interscholastic Activities "In-District" Transfers). Mr. Oates, Director of Athletics, reported on how this regulation was updated. The current regulation currently follows the state guidelines. We have had many students transfer from one school to another and we feel it is important for students to make a commitment to a school and take these transfers seriously. The administration researched other comparable districts within the state before making a recommendation of 365 calendar days of varsity ineligibility after a transfer. Director Zamora is opposed to this regulation because she thinks it is a knee-jerk reaction to one school not liking their students transferring to another school. Secondly it's unfair because it treats our students differently than a

student who transfers in from another district. Out of district transfers only have 90 school days of ineligibility. Thirdly, she feels it discriminates against some of our children. She feels some students stay in school to participate in athletics and it could increase our drop-out rate. Mr. Oates noted that other schools who have a similar regulation have not seen students leaving the district because of it. He also noted this has been being looked at for some time and is not a knee-jerk reaction. Director Roberson asked if students/parents were part of the process in developing the regulation. Mr. Oates stated it was only administrators. Director De Fauw asked for a definitive number of students who have transferred recently to determine the scope of the problem. Mr. Oates said he does not have that information at this time. She asked if this is information the board could review. Mr. Oates said overall transfers could be reviewed to see if they were also athletes, but that may not have been the only reason they transferred. Director Clewell asked if we are at par with the Iowa Athletic Association rules, Mr. Oates said yes in our current regulations we are. Director Clewell asked if coaches were consulted in the discussion. Mr. Oates said they could solicit that input for additional information. Dr. O'Melia noted that Mr. Oates will continue to get input from coaches and students and work will continue on the draft. Dr. O'Melia asked if there were comments on 504.08A (Good Conduct Rule). Director De Fauw noted the change that was recommended by the policy committee and thanked Mr. Oates for the addition.

B. i3 Grant Update (City Proposal)

Ms. Ethel Reynolds gave an update on the status of the i3 grant. She noted our partnership with the city of Davenport in several areas. Last year we signed on to an application for an i3 grant with the city, but were not awarded the grant. We are working on partnering with the city again for a second round of the grant. The application deadline is August 2, 2011. There have been several meetings concerning expectations if the district partners with the city. The district is also working on another i3 grant with Project Lead the Way. President Johanson has been very clear with the city that the city would provide financial assistance for various activities, that the grant be focused on early childhood, that we would try to change the original grant to address the reviewers' comments and remove the University of Iowa as the fiscal agent, that the grant will not adversely affect any existing Davenport Community School District budgets or programs and the Davenport Community School District will not be part of any lobbying efforts. The administration may recommend the grant be pursued if they are satisfied with the progress of the grant and it meets the district's needs. There are also some concepts from the first grant that may be able to be worked into a new grant. Additional meetings are scheduled and information will be shared with the board as it becomes available. Director Clewell appreciates the true collaboration between the district and the city. Director Roberson wants to note the importance of keeping student achievement as the main focus. President Johanson assured the board that Dr. Tate, the new superintendent, is being kept informed of the progress. He also noted that Ms. Reynolds is leading this project and the city is following the district's lead.

C. i3 Grant Update (Project Lead The Way Proposal)

Rachael Mullins gave an update on the status of the Project Lead the Way i3 grant. This is a second opportunity to be awarded an i3 grant. We are pursuing collaboration with a state or national organization. It would not be a separate Davenport Community School District application. One path would be with the University of Iowa and the second is through National Project Lead the Way. Both groups previously submitted grants last year and we would partner with them. We are exploring both opportunities at this time.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

VII. BOARD REPORTS/ REQUESTS

Director De Fauw reported that the North Thespian Club returned from a successful presentation in Nebraska. Also North HS is participating in a national Ford commercial competition. You may log on and cast your vote through July 15 at fordfocusonschools.com.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Zamora moved the board adjourn. Director Clewell seconded the motion. By consensus President Johanson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20PM.

Lynnette Carver, Board Secretary/Treasurer