

DAVENPORT COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DAVENPORT SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATION SERVICE CENTER
JIM HESTER BOARD ROOM
Administration Service Center
1606 BRADY STREET
DAVENPORT, IOWA 52803

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2009
7:00 PM

The Board of the Davenport Community School District in the counties of Scott and Muscatine met in open session for their Regular Board Meeting on Monday, September 28, 2009, pursuant to law. The meeting was held in the Jim Hester Board Room, at the Administration Service Center, 1606 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa, in said District. President Patt Zamora called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The following board members were present: President Patt Zamora: Directors Richard Clewell, Nikki DeFauw, Ken Krumwiede, Larry Roberson, Tim Tupper and Ralph Johanson. Other administrators were present for the meeting.

Director Clewell read the Mission Statement: Enhance each student's abilities by providing a quality education enriched by our diverse community.

I. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. October 5 @ 5:30, Committee of the Whole Meeting: Changed to 5:00PM
- B. October 7 @ 3:45, Legislative Advocacy Meeting
- C. October 12 @ 7:00, Regular Board Meeting
- D. October 13 @ 6:00, Annual District Retirement Dinner
- E. October 14 @ 3:45, Board Policy Committee Meeting
- F. Open Forum for Community Input-No one requested to speak at open forum

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 will be presented for approval as follows: September 14, 2009 (Organizational/Regular Meeting)

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

APPOINTMENTS: CERTIFICATED

Larson, Carrie Nurse Children's Village West	Degree: RN – Step 7 Effective: August 24, 2009 Salary: \$36,675.67 prorated to \$32,051.35 for 201 of 230 days
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APPOINTMENTS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Cooper, Krista Team Leader Williams Intermediate	6% \$1,617.00
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Goodknight, Emily Team Leader (.5) Smart Intermediate	6% \$808.50
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Hausch, Tammy Team Leader (.5) Smart Intermediate	6% \$808.50
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Heskett, Vicki Team Leader (.5) Smart Intermediate	6% \$808.50
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Money, Michael Team Leader (.5) Smart Intermediate	6% \$808.50
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Petersen, Kevin Boys' Varsity Soccer Central High	12% \$3,234.00
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Rommel, Tara Girls' Assistant Sophomore Basketball West High	10% \$2,695.00
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Smithson, Linda Team Leader (.5) Smart Intermediate	6% \$808.50
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Swanson, Kamie Team Leader (.5) Smart Intermediate	6% \$808.50
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APPOINTMENTS: CLASSIFIED

Antle, Ryan Para Educator West High	Effective: September 14, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
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Bisbee, Allison Para Educator Wood Intermediate	Effective: September 22, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Elkins, Lori Para Educator Wilson Elementary	Effective: September 9, 2009 Salary: \$9.29/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Essary, Wendy Food Service Worker Smart Intermediate	Effective: September 28, 2009 Salary: \$8.60/hr Hours: 2.5 hrs/day
Frahm, Mindy Para Educator Madison Elementary	Effective: September 28, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 3.0 hrs/day
Franks, Beth Para Educator Young Intermediate	Effective: October 5, 2009 Salary: \$12.15/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Haas, Donna Para Educator Harrison Elementary	Effective: September 23, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Harksen, Brittany Para Educator Walcott	Effective: September 22, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Herzog-Lawton, Simone Para Educator KCAE	Effective: September 28, 2009 Salary: \$9.29/hr Hours: 4.0 hrs/day
Lukaszewski, Veronica Food Service Worker Young Intermediate	Effective: September 28, 2009 Salary: \$8.60/hr Hours: 3.0 hrs/day
Lyon, Diane Para Educator District Fast ForWord – Wilson	Effective: September 28, 2009 Salary: \$9.29/hr Hours: 7.0 hrs/day
Mirocha, Jacob Para Educator North High	Effective: September 14, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Patton, Julie Para Educator Children’s Village Hoover	Effective: September 23, 2009 Salary: \$10.30/hr Hours: 6.25 hrs/day
Schafer, Brenna Para Educator Children’s Village Hayes	Effective: September 22, 2009 Salary: \$10.30/hr Hours: 6.25 hrs/day

LEAVES OF ABSENCE: CLASSIFIED

Aldana de Anzola, Luz Nelly
Para Educator
Children's Village West

Unpaid Leave of Absence
Effective: September 15, 2009 – October 1, 2009

Ingram, Patricia
Para Educator
Madison

Extension of Unpaid Leave of Absence
Effective: September 30, 2009 – start of 2010-11 school
year

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

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

III. APPROVAL OF BILLS

A resolution was recommended by the administration for adoption of the bills from the bill listing period: September 10, 2009 through September 23, 2009,

Motion: Director Roberson 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 with the following void as noted, \$3,675.95 to Quad City Times due to it being made out to the wrong vendor. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

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

IV. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

A. Legal Services Agreement 2009-2010

Motion: Director Clewell moved the board approve the Legal Services Agreement for Level I services at an hourly rate as outlined in the cooperative agreement with the Mississippi Bend Area Education Agency 9. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

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

B. Cooperative Sharing Agreement Application (2009-2010)

Motion: Director Krumwiede moved the board approve the 2009-2010 Cooperative Sharing Agreement for girls bowling for Davenport Central, North, West, and Assumption high schools with the Iowa Girls' High School Athletic Union. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Johanson asked what the cost to the district is for the program. Brad Oates responded that there is no cost to the district.

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

C. Special Education Service Delivery Plan

Motion: Director Tupper moved the board approve the recommendation from the administration to create a Special Education Service Delivery Plan. Director Johanson seconded the motion.

Discussion: There was discussion on whether the motion could be separated as moved by Director Tupper. All agreed to separate the two issues for approval and discussion.

Director Tupper asked what we hope to accomplish with this plan and what questions we want it to answer. Betty Long reviewed the 5 questions that were to be answered as outlined by the state as presented in the packet. Tupper replied that he was looking for an opportunity to go to the community and talk about what's working and what's not to create our own plan rather than just using the state's verbiage. He hoped this was a time to identify issues, analyze them, and then create a plan to deal with these specific issues. Long replied that the administration is planning to do just that by having an outside audit done to help determine where we are and where we need to go. However, the audit will not be complete in time to incorporate that information into the original plan that must be submitted to the state to comply with deadlines. Tupper asked if we are just complying with a deadline rather than actually creating a plan that can work for the district. Long replied that they are beginning to change the language with the staff so they can understand the shift that is taking place. Tupper asked if we were just perpetuating a model that isn't working rather than coming up with a new plan.

Director Johanson wanted clarification on what the board is being asked to do. His understanding is that the board is to approve creating a plan, approve a committee to develop the plan, and then later approve the plan. Long stated that this is true and the approval for the actual plan will be later in October after it has been reposted for the public to see for 14 additional days. Tupper questioned why 14 days. Long stated it has already been posted previously and this will keep us in the timeframe of the deadlines. Long stated that the administration will post longer if the Board would like that.

Director Roberson asked if this isn't really a work in progress and revisions will be looked at by the board as time goes on. Long agreed and said there will most certainly be adjustments after the audit. Roberson asked if we could request an extension until after the audit. Long answered that we could, but that the administration would prefer to make some progress now. Clewell asked what the state's provision is for revising a plan. Long had no specific answer, but said she would look into it.

Director Tupper asked if the adoption of the delivery plan will become part of the CSIP. Long said yes and those adjustments will be made to both after the audit is done by Special Ed Urban Collaborative Group. Tupper

expressed his concern that the Board was not included in the initial audit discussion. Superintendent Almanza stated that the audit will be comprehensive for achievement analysis.

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

Motion: Director Krumwiede moved the Board approve the development of an advisory committee to develop a plan for the special education delivery system. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Krumwiede asked for clarification on why the list presented is different than the previous list. Long replied that the structure was changed so the Board could more easily identify all the groups involved. There were also a few additions made. All special education groups are represented by parents or teachers. Krumwiede asked if it wouldn't be appropriate to include a speech clinician in this committee as this may be an area affected by the plan. Long answered that could be done if the Board wished.

Director Tupper stated that he feels we have missed an opportunity over the last few months to work on this rather than waiting until the last minute and trying to beat a deadline. He would hope that we look at input from parents, teachers, and students along the way to a final plan and include the School Improvement Committee to review the plan along the way. Roberson asked if that committee will actually have time to make recommendations or just a quick review. Almanza suggested that we take the time necessary to do this right even if that means requesting an additional extension.

Director Johanson suggested amending the motion to be more exact.

Amended Motion: Director Johanson moved the Board approve the committee members as recommended by the administration to develop the special education delivery system plan. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Clewell asked if Ms. Long thought there were an adequate number of people on the recommended committee. She replied she is confident that there are and that other districts had similar sized committees.

Director Tupper requested the Board receive feedback from parents, teachers, and others as the plan is progressing. Long agreed to provide that information.

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

V. DISCUSSION

A. HVAC Systems Preliminary Report

Scott Martin gave a presentation on a study done on schools without air conditioning. These schools are Blue Grass, Garfield, and Walcott. Information and estimates are given in the report. There was discussion on the differences

between 2-pipe and 4-pipe systems, geothermal, and boiler/tower heat pump system for each school. 2 boilers may be able to be reused, everything else is unusable as salvaged materials.

Director Zamora asked if we can do the 11 buildings we want for the \$24.5 million already approved if we go with the best proposal for each school? Scott Martin replied that if you go with 70% cooling (no gyms, corridors, etc) it will be close. It will be more for 100%.

The student board members commented that air conditioning is important to creating a good school environment. Students are more likely to skip class if the building is too hot. Keeping the gyms, cafeterias, and auditoriums cool would be very helpful as well as classrooms. Health concerns are a problem when the buildings are not cooled properly.

Questions the Board needs to think about include the importance of dehumidification, set-point standards for temperature, and the 70% vs 100% cooling. These issues will be further discussed at a future meeting.

B. Request For Proposal For Transportation

Marsha Tangen gave a progress report on the transportation proposal. The District is in the last year of the current 3-year contract with First Student. A preliminary meeting will be held on Oct 30 for potential vendors with a proposed approval by the Board in December.

C. Board Committees, Appointments, or Assignments

The Board discussed current and possible new committees. The following will need to be considered by members before voting on committees:

The Policy Committee will need an additional member as Director Krumwiede would like to give someone else an opportunity to serve. Directors Johanson and De Fauw will continue to serve.

The current members of the Legislative Advocacy Committee, Directors Clewell, Krumwiede, and Johanson are all willing to continue serving.

Director Roberson agreed to continue serving on the Technology Committee.

There was discussion on the possibility of adding a Finance Committee and a Curriculum Committee. Director Tupper felt that both areas need more time committed to consideration of these items than a regular board meeting can provide. There was concern about board members being qualified in these areas and whether this would be micromanaging, as well as finding members interested to fill these new positions. The Board was asked to think about these things and it will be presented at the next meeting for a vote.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/BOARD REQUESTS

Flint Ridenhour, student board member, announced that North High School will be presenting, "The Boys Next Door" next week and invited the Board and the public to attend.

Director Johanson thanked Lynnette Carver for her organization and work for the Policy Committee. He also thanked the President and Vice-President for their hard work. Director Roberson has done an admirable job over the past few years as Vice-President and he thanked him for his dedication to that position.

VII. BOARD REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Director Clewell moved the Board adjourn. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion. By consensus all board members agreed.

President Zamora declared the meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Lynnette Carver, Board Secretary/Treasurer