

**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, DECEMBER 14, 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, December 14, 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, Larry Roberson, Tim Tupper, Ralph Johanson, Nikki De Fauw and Ken Krumwiede. Other administrators were present for the meeting.

Student board member, Keenan Hutcheson, read the vision statement, goal, and mission statement.

**I. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. December 15 @ 7:00 PM Kimberly Center Graduation, North High School
- B. December 23-January 1 Winter Break
- C. December 24-25 & December 31-January 1 Administrative Offices Closed
- D. January 6 @ 3:45 PM Legislative Advocacy Meeting,  
Administrative Service Center, Conference Room B
- E. January 11 @ 7:00 PM Regular Board Meeting,  
Administrative Service Center, Jim Hester Board Room
- 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: November 30, 2009 (Regular Meeting) and December 7, 2009 (Committee of the Whole Meeting)

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

APPOINTMENTS: CERTIFICATED

Nicholson, Amanda Special Education – MD/BD West High	Degree: B.A. – Step 1 Effective: December 8, 2009 Salary: \$27,600.00 prorated to \$16,112.43 for 108 of 185 days
Saunders, William Grade 4 Wilson Elementary	Degree: B.A. – Step 3 Effective: November 30, 2009 Salary: \$30,360.00 prorated to \$18,708.32 for 114 of 185 days

APPOINTMENTS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Ackerman, Annette Assistant Sr High Cheerleading West High	10% \$2,695.00 prorated to \$1,796.00 for remainder of season
Currence, Glenda Teacher-in-charge (.5) Wilson Elementary	15% \$2,021.00 prorated to \$1,059.67 for 97/185 days
Guy, Corri S.A.M. Supplemental Smart Intermediate	15% \$4,042.50 prorated to \$2,469.20 for 113/185 days
Rial, Patrick Assistant Sr High Intramurals (.5) West High	5% \$674.00
Rollins, Stacey Assistant Intermediate Co-ed Track Wood Intermediate	5% \$1,348.00
Rommel, Tara Assistant Sr High Intramurals (.5) West High	5% \$674.00
Wycoff, Sarah Intermediate Intramurals Williams Intermediate	8% \$2,156.00

APPOINTMENTS: CLASSIFIED

Joyce, Molly Para Educator ASC – District Fast ForWord	Effective: November 30, 2009 Salary: \$9.29/hr Hours: 7.0 hrs/day
Klaus, Troy Para Educator Central High	Effective: December 14, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day

Lazenby, Kobi  
 Title I Family Involvement Liaison  
 Smart Intermediate  
 Effective: December 7, 2009  
 Salary: \$11.04/hr  
 Hours: 4 - 6.5 hrs/day

Prather, Cory  
 Campus Security  
 KCAE  
 Effective: December 11, 2009  
 Salary: \$12.17/hr  
 Hours: 7.0 hrs/day

Ruebling, Linda  
 Para Educator  
 Jackson Elementary  
 Effective: December 7, 2009  
 Salary: \$8.94/hr  
 Hours: 6.5 hrs/day

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Guy, Corri  
 Teacher-in-charge (.5)  
 Wilson Elementary  
 15%  
 \$2,021.00

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CLASSIFIED

Butcher, Michelle  
 Food Service Cashier III  
 Operations Center  
 Effective: January 8, 2010  
 Years of Service: 4 yrs 4 mos

Hahn-Wachtel, Jacqueline  
 Para Educator  
 Madison Elementary  
 Effective: November 23, 2009  
 Years of Service: 3 yrs 2mos

Larson, Jessica  
 Lead Para Educator  
 Children's Village Hoover  
 Effective: December 4, 2009  
 Years of Service: 2 mos

Radunzel, Nicole  
 Para Educator  
 Children's Village Hayes  
 Effective: December 23, 2009  
 Years of Service: 2 yrs 2 mos

Saunders, Dawn  
 Para Educator  
 Fillmore Elementary  
 Effective: November 27, 2009  
 Years of Service: 1 mo

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: CLASSIFIED

Burke, Wendy  
 Para Educator  
 Central High  
 Reason: Extended Unpaid Leave of Absence  
 Effective: January 4, 2009 – beginning of 2010-11  
 school year

SALARY ADJUSTMENTS: CERTIFICATED

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	SCHOOL	STEP	FROM	TO	SALARY
Walter	Teresa	Central	19	M.A.	M.A.+15	\$53,820.00

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

**Vote:** The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows: Ayes: Roberson, Clewell, Tupper, Johanson, De Fauw, Krumwiede 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: November 25, 2009 through November 9, 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. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

**Discussion:** Director Tupper noted that the bill list was not presented to the Board in their Friday packets and asked for a few minutes to review the list before approval of the bills. President Zamora suggested we table the vote and take a break later in the meeting.

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved we table the discussion until later in the meeting after some time to review the bill list. Director Tupper seconded the motion.

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

### IV. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

#### A. Early Start Date Waiver

**Motion:** Director De Fauw moved the Board approve the District apply for a waiver to the State Department allowing a 2010-2011 early start date of Thursday, August 19, 2010 for the traditional calendar schools. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

**Discussion:** Director Johanson asked the reason for the request. Jenni Weipert stated that each year the district must submit a request for an early start date waiver to the state. The statute requires that if you want to start before the first day of the first week of September, the district must request a waiver.

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

## **B. Local School Improvement Advisory Committee Members**

**Motion:** Director Clewell moved the Board approve the membership list as presented for selected people who are willing to serve on the Local School Improvement Advisory Committee for the 2009-2010 school year. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

**Discussion:** Director Clewell stated that he, Director Krumwiede and President Zamora had a meeting with the City of Davenport council members and the mayor about our vision. The Local School Improvement Advisory Committee came up in the discussion. One of the council members wondered how often the committee met. It appeared there were not very many meetings last year. Director Clewell asked how many meetings are scheduled per year. Laura Lortz reported that the group averaged meeting every other month. State statute only requires this committee to meet twice a year. Director Clewell asked if there was adequate representation on the committee. Ms. Lortz stated that minority populations and student members need more representation. Director Krumwiede asked if a board member sits in on this meeting. Ms. Lortz stated it isn't required, but would welcome them if desired. President Zamora said that in the past it had been discouraged so board member opinions would not carry too much weight in their discussions and recommendations. Director De Fauw noted that the number of members is lower than in the past and wondered what measures are being taken for more participation. Ms. Lortz stated that she is working with current members, principals, and administrators to try to recruit additional members. Director De Fauw asked if there is any effort in engaging community businesses. Ms. Lortz said this is an area they are working on. Director Johanson asked how the committee's input is passed on to the Board. Ms. Lortz stated that they have given only specific issue information to the Board in the past. He asked if we should be asking for their opinion on a more regular basis. President Zamora suggested that perhaps we have at least an annual report.

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

## **C. Audit Report 2008-2009**

**Motion:** Director Clewell moved the Board approve the audit report prepared and presented by McGladrey & Pullen for the 2008-2009 audit of the District. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

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

#### D. Policy Revisions

The Board Policy Committee recommends approval of the following policies in the review cycle:

##### 1. 803.01 Development of Policy

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the revision of the policy as presented. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

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

##### 901.01 Name of School District

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the review of the policy as presented. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

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

##### 901.02 Legal Status of the Board

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the review of the policy as presented. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

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

##### 901.04 Number of Members

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the revision of the policy as presented. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

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

##### 901.05 Filling Vacancies for Directors and Officers of the Board

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the review of the policy as presented. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

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

902.02 Vice President

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the review of the policy as presented. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

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

2. 901.03 Powers and Responsibilities (Previously General Powers & Duties)

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the revision of this policy as presented. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

**Discussion:** Director De Fauw asked Director Tupper if the revisions met his concerns from the previous discussion. He replied that it did and he appreciated the committee's work.

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

902.01 President

**Motion:** Director Johanson moved the board accept the revision of this policy as presented. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

**Discussion:** Director Johanson noted that the committee added a section concerning communication by the President that was in another policy. It is now in both policies for easy referral. President Zamora noted her appreciation.

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

As this concluded the Action Items on the agenda, the President called a 5 minute break for board members to review the bill listing.

**Discussion:** Director Tupper stated he had questions concerning several items on the bill listing. The administration will address those specific questions and provide the Board with the information in the next packets.

**Motion:** Director Tupper moved the original motion be amended to remove the items in question from the original motion for approval and vote on those items separately. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

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

**Motion:** President Zamora stated the original motion made by Director Roberson for payment of the bills will be voted on with the items noted by Director Tupper as exceptions to be voted on separately.

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

**Motion:** President Zamora stated that the amended motion will be voted on to approve payment on those items separately that are in question.

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

## V. DISCUSSION

### A. Policy Reviews

Director Johanson reported on the status of the groups meeting on rules and regulations for the Cell Phone and Electronic Devices policy and the Attendance policy. He also reported that a system has been implemented to track the progress of rules and regulations. He asked if the Board would like the minutes to the policy committee meetings. It was decided that the Board would receive these minutes in their packets.

Members of the Policy Committee have discussed the following policies and present them to the Board for review:

802.04 Gifts to Board Members

**Discussion:** Director Clewell had some questions about the policy wording and will provide the committee with additional information for consideration.

901.07 Code of Ethics-No discussion

902.05 Legal Counsel-No discussion

902.06 Collective Bargaining Negotiations (Previously Negotiators)

**Discussion:** Director Roberson asked for clarification on the revisions made. Director De Fauw stated that the committee did not think the current policy was accurate so a modification was made in regards to the spokesperson for the negotiating team.

902.07 Litigation Authority

**Discussion:** President Zamora stated some concern about removing the statement concerning the President communicating on behalf of the Board. It was pointed out that the committee felt that this policy was in regards to internal Board legal action only. Policy 902.05 has the wording that she was concerned about. It was suggested that similar language be added to this policy. Director Tupper noted that it would be helpful to continue receiving regular reports from the attorneys on current cases.

903.01 Annual Meeting-No discussion

903.02 Organizational Meeting

**Discussion:** Director Johanson asked the Board's opinion on how long the term should be for President and Vice-President. President Zamora stated she feels that next year it should be for one year and after that it should be two years. A poll of each board member was taken for their opinion: Directors Krumwiede, De Fauw, Zamora, Clewell and Johanson agrees that next year should be one year and after that it should be two years. Directors Roberson and Tupper believe that officers should be voted on every year.

903.04 Regular Meeting-No discussion

903.05 Special Meeting

**Discussion:** Director Tupper suggested that a sentence be included about a location for special meetings.

903.07 Quorum for Meetings-No discussion

903.08 Rules of Order-No discussion

903.10 Agendas (Combined 903.09 & 903.10)

**Discussion:** The student board members were asked if having the meeting information in advance would be helpful. Both students present said it would be helpful to look over the information before the meetings and give them a chance to think about the issues. There was some discussion on the method of distribution of such information to the students. Director Tupper asked if electronic information could be sent. The committee will continue to investigate the options. Director Tupper suggested adding some information concerning the Open Forum section for the public to speak to the Board.

307.02 Naming Facilities

**Discussion:** Director Johanson read a revision that Director De Fauw had prepared of this policy. It stated that this should be used only for people who have made significant contributions to the District. A formal process would

need to be put in place. President Zamora feels naming facilities should be a strict and rare occurrence. Mr. Almanza stated that the administration would need some guidelines for them to use in making recommendations to the Board. It would be helpful if board members who have expressed concerns provide specific information to the policy committee.

## **VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/BOARD REQUESTS**

Mr. Almanza reported that the Special Budget Review Committee (SBRC) met and considered our request concerning the budget transfers for the Day Care Fund. Our requests were approved.

Ms. Tangen reported that the Budget Revenue Estimating Conference met and they announced that there will be no more budget cuts for this year.

Mr. Almanza reported that the State Department has ramped up their desire for districts to submit proposals for the Race to the Top Funds. There are a number of committees that have been established to deal with this that we will be involved in.

## **VII. BOARD REPORTS**

Keenan Hutcheson updated the board on another student board members health status.

Director Tupper asked for information regarding how the stimulus money has been spent.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Director Clewell moved the Board adjourn. Director Johanson seconded the motion. By consensus all board members agreed. President Zamora declared the meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

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Lynnette Carver, Board Secretary/Treasurer