

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2011
EXEMPT NEGOTIATIONS CLOSED MEETING
6:15 PM

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, January 10, 2011 for a Closed Session Exempt Negotiations Meeting and for their Regular Meeting pursuant to law. The meetings were held at the Administration Service Center, 1606 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa, in said District. President Johanson called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

On roll call the following board members were present: President Johanson, Directors Nikki De Fauw, Ken Krumwiede, Rich Clewell, and Timothy Tupper. Patt Zamora and Larry Roberson were unable to attend. Superintendent Almanza was also present.

Director De Fauw read the vision statement.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. PUBLIC HEARING – EARLY START DATE WAIVER (2011-2012)

The Board held a public hearing for community input on a request to the State for a waiver for an early start date on Monday, August 15, 2011 for the district. The notice of the public hearing was seen in the *Quad City Times* on December 27, 2010. This was the time and place for members of the community to address the Board on this issue. No one spoke.

II. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. January 12 @ 3:45 PM Policy Committee Meeting, Executive Board Room, Administration Service Center
- B. January 24 @ 5:30 PM Interview Seminar, Jim Hester Board Room, Administration Service Center—Board will move into Closed Session immediately following Seminar to receive slate of recommended superintendent candidates
- C. January 27 & 28-Tentative dates for superintendent candidate interviews
- D. January 31 @ 7:00 PM Regular Board Meeting, Jim Hester Board Room, Administration Service Center
- E. Open Forum for Community Input
Betsy Brandsgard, 130 W. 2nd, Davenport-Ms. Brandsgard spoke on the superintendent search. She was here on behalf on the Quad

Cities Chamber of Commerce. She thanked the board for the opportunity for the community to provide input in the leadership profile that was conducted earlier in the fall for the superintendent position. She is also asking that the board consider providing an opportunity for the community to participate in the candidate finalist interviews.

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: December 13, 2010 (Regular Meeting)

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

APPOINTMENTS: CERTIFICATED

Elliott, Mitchell Grade 3 Madison Elementary	Degree: BA - Step 1 Effective: December 13, 2010 Salary: \$32,584.00 prorated to \$17,965.23 for 102/185 days
Gettinger, Brooke Special Education--Resource Lincoln Academy	Degree: M.A. – Step 5 Effective: January 7, 2011 Salary: \$42,419.00 prorated to \$21,094.85 for 92/185 days
Greaves, Angela Family Consumer Science Central High	Degree: BA – Step 1 Effective: January 3, 2011 Salary: \$32,584 prorated to \$16,908.45 for 96/185 days

APPOINTMENTS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Currence, Glenda Teacher-In-Charge (.5) Wilson Elementary	15% \$4,118.00
Heithoff, Robert Boys' 7 th Grade Basketball Smart Intermediate	7% \$1,922.00
Heller, Guy Intermediate Co-ed Swimming Intermediate Schools	6% \$1,647.00
McAuley, Patrick Sophomore Wrestling West High	12% \$3,294.00 prorated to \$2,150.25 for remainder of season

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Ross, Kristle Girls' 9 th Grade Basketball North High	8% \$2,196.00 prorated to \$1,273.20 for remainder of season
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APPOINTMENTS: CLASSIFIED

Anderson, Amy Para Educator Williams Intermediate	Effective: January 12, 2011 Salary: \$9.54/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Barnett, Orlando Para Educator Wood Intermediate	Effective: January 10, 2011 Salary: \$9.19/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Carr, Matthew Para Educator Young Intermediate	Effective: January 10, 2011 Salary: \$9.19/hr Hours: 7.5 hrs/day
Cox, James Para Educator Madison Elementary	Effective: January 4, 2011 Salary: \$9.54 Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Flagel, Harlan Custodian Sudlow Intermediate	Effective: December 16, 2010 Salary: \$12.48/hr Hours: 7.0 hrs/day
Foderberg, Karen Para Educator Sudlow Intermediate	Effective: January 4, 2011 Salary: \$9.54 Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Gall, Kymberly Food Service Worker Madison Elementary	Effective: January 4, 2011 Salary: \$8.90/hr Hours: 4.0 hrs/day
Larson, Debra Food service Worker Madison Elementary	Effective: January 4, 2011 Salary: \$8.90/hr Hours: 2.75 hrs/day
Sanders, Jaymie Para Educator Children's Village West	Effective: December 15, 2010 Salary: \$12.05/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Saul, Dawn Communications Specialist ASC	Effective: January 10, 2011 Salary: \$48,672.00 prorated to \$23,212.80 for 124/260 days Hours: 8.0 hrs/day
Smith, Carolyn Food Service Worker Fillmore Elementary	Effective: January 4, 2011 Salary: \$8.90/hr Hours: 3.0 hrs/day
Sparrow, Samantha Food Service Cashier I North High	Effective: January 4, 2011 Salary: \$9.11/hr Hours: 3.75 hrs/day
Winder, Marie Para Educator Children's Village West	Effective: January 4, 2011 Salary: \$10.55/hr Hours: 6.25 hrs/day

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Ott, Renee Assistant Sophomore Softball Central High	7% \$1,922.00
Terronez, Anthony Intermediate Co-Ed Track Sudlow Intermediate	7% \$1,922.00

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CLASSIFIED

Bentley, Kelly Para Educator LOA	Effective: November 29, 2010 Years of Service: 1 yr 1 mo
Janes, Jennifer Para Educator Jackson Elementary	Effective: January 14, 2011 Years of Service: 1 yr 8 mos
Lazenby, Kobi Title I Family Involvement Liaison Smart Intermediate	Effective: December 22, 2010 Years of Service: 1 yr
Lyon, Diane Para Educator Wilson Elementary	Effective: December 7, 2010 Years of Service: 1 yrs 2 mos Reason: Other District Employment

LEAVES OF ABSENCE: CLASSIFIED

Bentley, Kelly Para Educator Washington Elementary	Leave of Absence without Pay Effective: November 8, 2010 - January 2, 2011
Thede, Phyllis Clerk North High- Correction: Williams Intermediate	Leave of Absence without Pay Effective: December 21, 2010 – May 8, 2011

Motion: Director Krumwiede moved the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the correction noted. Director Tupper seconded the motion.

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

IV. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion: Director Clewell 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 one voided check:

#279811 payable to Marianne Corbin for \$259.05 for the wrong vendor name

Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

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

V. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

A. Early Start Date Waiver 2011-2012

Motion: Director Krumwiede moved the board approve submitting a request for a waiver to the State Department allowing an early start date of Monday, August 15, 2011 for the district for the 2011-2012 school year. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Clewell asked the administration to discuss public response to this start date. Ms. Weipert stated there has been no feedback concerning the start date that was provided. Director Krumwiede noted the request for communication to the public on this information from the last board meeting. Ms. Weipert noted that there were letters sent to parents, it was published on the district website and school newsletters have published the information as well. Director Krumwiede asked if all of the schools have received newsletters with this information. Ms. Reynolds stated that the elementary principals had not received any feedback from parents and it is her belief that newsletters were sent out at most schools. Director De Fauw also confirmed that she received information through an email from her children's schools. Director Tupper noted that he had talked with a couple parents that were unaware of the information. He stated that there still is some concern about the early start date for those children in schools without air conditioning.

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

B. City Purchase of Easement-Williams Intermediate

Motion: Director Clewell moved the board approve granting the city of Davenport a Permanent Sewer Easement and Temporary Construction Easement for the Westside Diversion Tunnel Phase III Project, property located at 3040 N. Division St. (Williams Intermediate School) payable to the district for the amount of \$44,237. Director Tupper seconded the motion.

Discussion: Director Clewell asked what an extensometer is as mentioned in the contract. Mr. Martin did not know but did not believe it was anything that would cause any danger. He will follow up. Director De Fauw noted that we would of course make sure that all equipment used would be kept safe from the children. The contractor would be responsible for the safety during construction. The city and the district will also make sure that they are carrying out this responsibility. We have recently done a similar project at Smart and there were no safety problems or concerns. Construction is slated to take place in the summer and not disturb any other school activities.

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

C. Policy Review

Motion: Director De Fauw moved the board approve the following policies in one motion:

- 103.09 Fund Raising Activities
- 401.03 Code of Behavior
- 401.04 Hiring
- 303.07 Approval and Payment of Bills for Goods and Services

Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

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

VI. DISCUSSION

A. Superintendent Search Update

President Johanson noted the time table presented to the board for upcoming activities in the search process. The formal slate of candidates will be presented on January 24 in a Closed Meeting. January 27-28 are potential 1st round candidate interview dates. February 1-3 are tentative dates for finalists. The Alumni House on Brady Street will be used for dinner and interviews for the candidates. Dr. Blaesing will be available on January 13 for the board to review applications to date in a Closed Meeting. Some board members had requested this review prior to the presentation of the slate. This is an optional meeting for board members if they are interested in this review. President Johanson stated that the interview process of the 3 candidate finalists allows for a public Meet & Greet with community members. Director De Fauw noted that we used a similar process in past searches.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Almanza introduced the new Communications Specialist for the district, Dawn Saul.

Mr. Almanza also reported there was a meeting scheduled for January 11 with the city concerning the i3 grant. That meeting has been postponed due to potential weather and will be rescheduled.

VIII. BOARD REPORTS/REQUESTS

Director De Fauw recognized North High School student, Emily Doxsie, who was selected for the All-Iowa Honor Dance Team which will perform in Des Moines..

Director Clewell reported that the Legislative Advocacy Committee met with legislators in December. As a part of that meeting there was some interest by legislators to visit Children's Village West. That has been scheduled for January 21 and invitations will be sent to legislators.

Director Krumwiede reported that there is an Early Education Forum on January 14 at the Fairmont Library to talk about early childhood programs.

Director Tupper requested a time be scheduled to discuss graduation rates.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Tupper, seconded by Director Krumwiede and by consensus President Johanson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Lynnette Carver, Board Secretary/Treasurer