

**SPECIAL MEETING  
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER  
AUGUST 14, 2006—5:30 P.M.**

**Call to Order**

President Batcheller called the special meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Benson, Johnson, Jorgensen, Mounts and Peterson. Absent: Director Daane.

**Approval of Agenda**

Director Peterson moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 6-0.

**Approval of/Adjourn to Closed Session**

Director Mounts moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to go into closed session to discuss the purchase of particular real state only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property. The minutes and the tape recording of a session closed under this paragraph shall be available for public examination when the transaction discussed is completed as provided in Section 21.5(j) of the Code of Iowa. The motion carried 6-0, and the board moved into closed session at 5:38 p.m.

**Return to/Adjourn From Open Session**

Director Mounts moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to return to open session and then adjourn the special meeting. President Batcheller announced that no action would be taken following this special meeting. The motion carried 6-0, and the special meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

**HEARING  
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER  
AUGUST 14, 2006—6:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

President Batcheller called the hearing to order at 6:08 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Benson, Johnson, Jorgensen, Mounts and Peterson. Absent: Director Daane.

### **Hearing and Discussion**

President Batcheller announced that notice was provided that a hearing would be held August 14, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. local time. The hearing is held for the purpose of receiving public input on the resolution to hire Hebert Construction to demolish the dwelling, including garages, located at 3208 – 40<sup>th</sup> Street, Sioux City, Iowa, Iowa, in the amount of \$9,280.00, and that any interested party may appear and file objections and any information for or against same will be heard on the above-named project with the final decision of the Board of Education a matter of record.

### **Adjourn**

Director Jorgensen moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion to adjourn the hearing. The motion carried 6-0, and the hearing adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

**HEARING  
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER  
AUGUST 14, 2006—6:00 P.M.**

### **Call to Order**

President Batcheller called the hearing to order at 6:10 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Benson, Johnson, Jorgensen, Mounts and Peterson. Absent: Director Daane.

### **Hearing and Discussion**

President Batcheller announced that notice was provided that a hearing would be held August 14, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. local time. The hearing is held for the purpose of receiving public input on the offer from Habitat Humanity to purchase the former site of Riverview Elementary School in the amount of \$80,000.00, and that any interested party may appear and file objections and any information for or against same will be heard on the above-named project with the final decision of the Board of Education a matter of record.

Superintendent Williams stated that the appraised or listed value of this property was \$90,000.00. The district received an offer for a bit more than half of that. The only other offer was from Habitat for Humanity for \$80,000.00.

### **Adjourn**

Director Mounts moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to adjourn the hearing. The motion carried 6-0, and the hearing adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

**HEARING  
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER  
AUGUST 14, 2006—6:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order**

President Batcheller called the hearing to order at 6:13 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Benson, Johnson, Jorgensen, Mounts and Peterson. Absent: Director Daane.

**Hearing and Discussion**

President Batcheller announced that notice was provided that a hearing would be held August 14, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. local time. The hearing is held for the purpose of receiving public input on the proposition of the issuance of not to exceed \$12,970,000.00 school infrastructure local option sales and services tax revenue bond anticipation project notes, Series 2006, of the Sioux City Community School District, and providing for publication of notice thereof, and that any interested party may appear and file objections and any information for or against same will be heard on the above-named project with the final decision of the Board of Education a matter of record.

**Adjourn**

Director Peterson moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to adjourn the hearing. The motion carried 6-0, and the hearing adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

**REGULAR MEETING  
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER  
AUGUST 14, 2006—6:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order**

President Batcheller called the regular meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Benson, Johnson, Jorgensen, Mounts and Peterson. Absent: Director Daane.

**Approval of Agenda**

Director Mounts moved and Director Benson seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Citizen Input**

None.

### **Board Member Reports**

Director Mounts: Reported that she had enjoyed a long vacation in Montana and that in reading the Billings, MT, newspaper, it seemed that they have the same issues as we do. She and Director Jorgensen toured Irving last Friday. It is absolutely amazing, and we are so lucky to have Rich McGrath. He has worked so hard on this project.

Director Johnson: Stated that he had toured Irving last week and was very impressed with the school; it's an excellent learning environment. Pleased to hear that the 36 positions have been filled in the dual learning classroom. This is a wonderful opportunity for these students. Attended an IASB Fiscal Management Conference in Des Moines, and sat next to someone who had a bilingual class going in their district and it had blossomed. It's been so successful that this year they are purchasing textbooks. Attended another session on cost benefit analysis and it dealt with evaluating how we use our funds in order to improve student achievement.

Director Peterson: Also enjoyed the tour of Irving. Impressed with the music room and liked the fact that the stage is off the lunchroom instead of off the gym. Hopes we can expand the bilingual class to every one of our elementary schools.

Director Jorgensen: Asked when the United Way kick-off celebration would be held at Irving. Mr. Williams stated that it will be held on August 17, 2006, from 8:00 to 900 a.m. Breakfast will be served and tours will be given.

The official ribbon cutting ceremony will be held October 26, 2006, from 5 to 7 p.m. October 15 is the date for the open house. We are working on an insert for the newspaper as well.

Director Benson: Reported that the Board Finance Committee had met last week, and that the presentation made to them by the Finance Department on the activities fund—and the progress made—is a step forward as far as financial recording.

President Batcheller announced future meetings as follows:

- The next meeting of the Board Policy Committee is scheduled for August 15, 2006, at 4:10 p.m., in the Education Service Center.

- The next meeting of the Public Relations Committee is scheduled for August 17, 2006, at 4:00 p.m., in the Education Service Center.
- The next meeting of the Board Student Achievement Committee is scheduled for August 18, 2006, at 10:30 a.m., in the Education Service Center.
- The next Finance Oversight Committee meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2006, at 8:00 a.m., at 421 Nebraska Street.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Williams: Invited the media to work with he and Tim Stiles to talk about the cooperation between the two entities. The ACT scores for Iowa and our district are in our possession but embargoed until Wednesday. They will be released on Wednesday. Feels Iowans and Sioux Citians will be pleased. Now is the time that the board will begin to hear concerns about class sizes. Today they addressed a kindergarten situation at Lincoln. Staffing remains the same until we can see the balance of needs district-wide. Premature to pledge specific contingencies and yet we needed to open a third kindergarten at Lincoln. We return phone calls to parents and listen to their concerns. Our dollars are limited, but we do our best. Director Mounts stated that people need to be patient until everything plays out.

### **Resolution to Be Put to the Board for Its Approval**

Director Jorgenson moved and Director Mounts seconded the following motion: Be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Sioux City Community School District acknowledges with appreciation the participation of the Siouxland District Health Department in the writing of the Nutrition and Physical Activity Wellness in the Schools board policy and administrative regulations; and that the board and superintendent express their particular appreciation to Sharon Schroeder, RD, LD, Nutrition Services Director for the Siouxland District Health Department, for co-chairing this committee. Mrs. Schroeder's expertise in pediatric nutrition was invaluable to the process.

The board by this resolution also expresses its appreciation to each and every one of the many citizens, faculty members, administrators and students who participated in this extensive, thoughtful process. The board further expresses its appreciation to the Community School Health Advisory Council for its involvement and support of this process, and for its willingness to assume a key role of monitoring progress and implementation of the policy and its AR. Ilene Netley's contributions to the education piece pertaining to this policy and its AR are gratefully acknowledged. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Consent Action Items Part I**

Director Mounts moved and Director Benson seconded the motion to approve Part I of the Consent Action Items which consisted of the board meeting minutes of July 17 and 21 and August 7, 2006; the Human Resources Report; and the Finance Report. The motion carried 6-0 on the Human Resources and Finance Report. The motion carried 4-0 on the board meeting minutes, with Director Jorgensen abstaining from the minutes of July 17 and 21, 2006, and Director Mounts abstaining from the minutes of July 21, 2006.

### **Consent Action Items Part II**

Director Mounts moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to approve Part II of the Consent Action Items which consisted of approval of the renewal of the agreement between the Boys and Girls Home Residential Treatment Centers and the Sioux City Community School District; approval for first reading of board policy 605.4—Graduation Requirements and AR605.4; and approval of authorization to change corporate trust administration. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Board Policy 504.1 and AR504.1—Nutrition and Physical Activity Wellness**

Director Johnson moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion that the Board of Directors approve for final reading Board Policy 504.1 and AR504.1—Nutrition and Physical Activity Wellness. Superintendent Williams indicated that he will address all principals regarding this policy, as well as the facilities usage policy. Sharon Schroeder thanked Mr. Williams and the entire board. She feels very honored to have been selected to co-chair this committee and to serve the district in this regard. Superintendent Williams said that as we move this forward, we could engage in some conversations with sponsors to see if certain details might be by mutually agreement upon. Mr. Williams stated that by adopting the policy and AR tonight there would be no imposition on existing agreements. The superintendent and Sharon Schroeder were invited to a breakfast meeting last Tuesday morning when Senator Harkin spoke at the Floyd Market. They talked to Senator Harkin about the process used to formulate this policy. The senator devoted some of his public comments to the fact that he was satisfied with this approach. The motion carried 6-0.

### **28E Agreement for Developmental Services**

Director Mounts moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion that the Board of Directors approve the 28E Agreement for Developmental Services with the City of Sioux City. The City of Sioux City has approved this agreement as was negotiated between the district and the city. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Demolition of Dwelling, Including Garages Located at 3208 – 40<sup>th</sup> Street**

Director Benson moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion that the Board of Directors authorize Hebert Construction to demolish the dwelling, including garages, located at 3208 – 40<sup>th</sup> Street, Sioux City, Iowa, Iowa, in the amount of \$9,280.00. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Sale of Former Riverview Site**

Director Mounts moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion that the Board of Directors authorize the district to sell the former Riverview site to Habitat Humanity in the amount of \$80,000.00. Jeremy Craighead and Matt Campbell, Habitat for Humanity, stated that they were pleased to be able to purchase this property. Their goal is to put 14 to 16 properties on this land in the next three years. They also stated that this is a very exciting thing for not only Sioux City but for Habitat across the state. This will also be putting homes on the tax roles by putting more people into the system who could not otherwise purchase a home. The superintendent expressed his thanks to Bill Stoneburg, Dan Moore and our realtor, as well as Habitat for Humanity. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Issuance of Bonds**

Director Mounts moved and Director Benson seconded the motion that the Board of Directors authorize the issuance of not to exceed \$12,970,000.00 school infrastructure local option sales and services tax revenue bond anticipation project notes, Series 2006, of the Sioux City Community School District, and direct the sale of the above bonds per the recommendation of the district's financial consultant, Piper Jaffray. The winning bidder was Parker Hunter, Inc., of Blue Bell, PA, at an interest rate of 4.271837 percent. Matthew Gillaspie of Piper Jaffray addressed the board regarding the details of this bid. Mr. Williams thanked him for his guidance. The motion carried 6-0.

### **High School Grading Scale**

Director Peterson moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion that the Board of Directors approve the high school grading scale as follows: A—90-100; B—80-89; C—70-79; D—60-69; and F—59 and below. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Board Policy 1004.1 and AR1004.1 and AR1004.2—Community Use of School Facilities**

Director Peterson moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion to approve the friendly amendment to add the sentence “The group shall be required to provide financials upon request of the Finance Department in order to prove no expectation of profit” to AR1004.1 and AR1004.2. The motion carried 6-0.

Director Jorgensen moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion that the Board of Directors approve for final reading Board Policy 1004.1—Community Use of School Facilities. The motion carried 6-0. Director Mounts moved and

Director Peterson seconded the motion to adopt AR1004.1 and AR1004.2 as amended. The motion carried 6-0.

### **North High School Activity Field Softball Dugout and Concession**

Director Benson moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion that the Board of Directors award the bid for the North High School activity field softball dugout and concession to the low bidder, Audino Construction, in the amount of \$59,143.00. Mr. Stoneburg updated the board on the progress on the North High School athletic fields. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Leeds Elementary School Earthwork Project**

Director Benson moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion that the Board of Directors approve the plans, specifications and estimated cost of \$290,000.00 for the Leeds Elementary School earthwork project and to set August 28, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. local time, for the hearing on this project. The motion carried 6-0.

### **Discussion/Information**

#### *Transportation Report*

Chuck Andersen indicated that their department is ready for school to start. He introduced Kay Abbe who did an outstanding job on the safety program for the Transportation Department. She has turned an old bus into a classroom. Bus drivers have received safety lessons. She teaches the students in every building. She has taught children how to stop the bus and/or call for help if something happens to the driver, as well as all safety issues involved in riding a bus.

Mr. Andersen indicated that his department has worked with representatives from MPS on the Transportation Improvement Plan. In May, he asked Steve Abel, MPS, to put together some figures from across the country. Our district's numbers look favorable compared to the national average. He reported then on the number of routes, trips, buses, the age of buses, average miles traveled, fuel costs, and summer school routes. Also, Mr. Andersen reported on the staff reorganization and physical changes to the department. Challenges were then reported to the board, as well as the process changes.

#### *Board Policies*

Superintendent Williams presented the following board policies for discussion: 604.1—Student Guidance and Counseling Program; 1001.80—Distribution of Out-of-District Materials and Ar1001.80; 503.4—School-Sponsored Events; 504.10—Student Injury and Illness at School; 402-10—Physical Examinations; and 451.54—Employee: Continuation of Health Insurance Plan.

*2006-2007 Calendar of Board Agenda Items*

Superintendent Williams presented the 2006-2007 Calendar of Board Agenda Items to the board for their information.

**Adjourn**

Director Mounts moved and Director Benson seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 6-0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.