

**SPECIAL MEETING
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER
FEBRUARY 27, 2006—5:00 p.m.**

Call to Order

President Batcheller called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Daane, Johnson, Jorgensen, Mounts and Peterson.

Approval of Agenda and Closed Session

Director Mounts moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to approve the agenda and the closed session to go into a closed session to discuss the purchase of particular real estate 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 5:02 p.m.

Return to/Adjourn From Open Session

Director Peterson moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to return to open session and adjourn the special meeting. President Batcheller announced that no action would be taken following this meeting. The motion carried 6-0, and the board adjourned the special meeting at 6:07 p.m.

**REGULAR MEETING
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER
FEBRUARY 27, 2006—6:00 p.m.**

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

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

Approval of Agenda

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

Citizen Input—None.

Board Member Reports

Director Daane: Last week was East High School's Show Choir Invitational with over 2,500 performers and guests from four states participating. He received favorable comments from local parents and parents from other schools in regard to the cleanliness of the building, and publicly thanked Nancy Mounts, Larry Williams, Steve Crary, Jim Cosier, Jeanene Sampson and Mel McKern for the work they did to correct this long-standing problem. Cleanliness needs to be an issue in all buildings. Superintendent Williams and Director Peterson attended, were noticed, and it was gratifying to parents. The feeling he had standing in the East High School gym at 1:30 a.m. with 75 parents still working was wonderful, and that's why he lives in Sioux City, because of the quality of the people in this community. He thanked all those involved and those around the community who do this, and also thanked Jenny Welp for writing a good article.

Director Mounts: Commended Jenny Welp for the stories in the Progress Reports in *The Sioux City Journal*. She mentioned the early childhood summit being held in Des Moines this week. This will include several high powered business individuals.

Director Peterson: Thanked Director Daane for the invitation to the show choir event. She stated that the Headliners are fantastic and everyone should take the opportunity to hear them.

President Batcheller: Visited with our legislators this weekend; we continue to press forward on the property tax equity issue and SILO. He publicly thanked Jenny Welp for the Progress Report. He stated that it is amazing what that "penny" has allowed us to do.

- The next meeting of the Board Finance Committee is scheduled for February 28, 2006, at 12:00 p.m., in the Education Service Center.
- The next meeting of the Student Achievement Committee is scheduled for March 3, 2006, at 10:30 a.m., in the Education Service Center.
- The next meeting of the Board Policy Committee is scheduled for March 8, 2006, at 3:00 p.m. in the Education Service Center.

- The next meeting of the Public Relations Committee is scheduled for March 16, 2006, at 4:00 p.m., in the Education Service Center.
- The next meeting of the Equity Committee is scheduled for March 21, 2006, at 11:30 a.m., at Central Campus
- The next Finance Oversight Committee meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2006, at 8:00 a.m., at 421 Nebraska Street.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Williams: Also mentioned the Progress Report and was very proud that we could focus on the involvement of the community and citizens including our schools and Heelan as well. Individuals and collections of individuals have made noticeable improvements in our schools. Jenny and her colleague wrote very well. Jenny also worked on the health care section.

He received a call from Senator Wieck late this afternoon in response to his letter thanking him for setting up the meeting in Des Moines with other legislators, superintendents and business officials. Senator Wieck told him that we can't stop now. We need to develop some additional strategies or the momentum will not sustain it. Senator Wieck will inform us when the Senate bill comes forward. Then, the next strategic step will be planned. We need to get back down to Des Moines at that time. It would be good if we could visit Winterset at the same time (Jodi Tymeson's district) as they are also in need of property tax equity.

He was very happy to be able to attend the East High School Show Choir—It was very satisfying musically, and the repertoire is very exciting. The variety of the show—and showmanship itself—was very colorful. Friday night he attended West Middle School's musical production of Annie which was very fine as well. Thursday attended the North High School band concert with jazz and concert bands and it was excellent. The talent our students possess is quite remarkable.

Recognition of Dr. Michael McTaggart, Student Council Administrator of the Year

Superintendent Williams introduced Dr. Michael McTaggart, Principal of West High School (and his wife Ann Marie) who was then honored on his selection as the Iowa Association of Student Councils' Administrator of the Year. Just last week three central office administrators interacted with Dr. McTaggart's students. They were uninhibited in the most positive of ways.

They were easy to engage and lively in their conversation and there is always a free flow of ideas. This affects your school, so Mr. Williams was not surprised by the award Dr. McTaggart received.

Dr. McTaggart thanked the board and Mr. Williams and indicated he enjoys working with his students at West High School. He also thanked his wife.

Consent Action Items

Director Peterson moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to approve the consent action item that consisted of the board meeting minutes of the February 20, 2006, meeting; the human resources report; the finance report; and the F.T.E. report. The motion carried 6-0.

Presentation of Education Specifications for Replacement Schools for McKinley/Grant and Leeds/Hawthorne/Lowell

Mr. Williams indicated that educational specifications are something that we need to study prior to any new building being built. Jim Champion from FEH Architects and Todd Moss from Cannon Moss Brygger, Architects met with our administration and the teachers involved with the new buildings. He introduced Todd Moss, Jim Champion and Matt Basye who presented the education specifications for the replacement building for McKinley/Grant and Leeds/Hawthorne/Lowell Elementary Schools. The architects went through the education specifications for each building. Mr. Williams recommended that the education specifications be adopted. Director Mounts moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Presentation of Schematic Design for Replacement of the Leeds, Hawthorne and Lowell Elementary Schools

Jim Champion and Matt Basye, FEH Architects, presented the schematic design for the replacement building for Leeds/Hawthorne/Lowell Elementary Schools. Mr. Champion indicated that the education specifications are actually the “bible” of school planning. Mr. Champion indicated they would like to build “around” the old building and demolish it after the new school has been completed. This is better than moving the kids to another location during this process. The school will be very well protected from the work site. The design includes separating the parent drop off from the bus drop off. The building will be designed with pitched metal roofing over the classrooms and a slightly pitched regular roof on the other areas of the building. The design concept was very interesting. The board asked that they rethink their schematic design to widen the corridors in the area which houses students in grades 2-5.

The superintendent indicated that Cannon Moss Brygger is looking forward to planning their design concept as soon as the board decides on the exact location of the building.

Budget

William Stoneburg reported that one of the primary things we need to do is to get the kids to school. He stated that we added nine bus routes for this school year. We have been trying out some new software and had consultants help us as well as staff from our Technology Department. He then reported on the estimated salary and benefits for district employees. The superintendent indicated we are within \$500,000 of a balanced budget. We are awaiting completion of the staffing for the 2006-2007 school year. LuAnn Richardson presented information on the professional development budget.

Board Policies

Director Johnson moved and Director Jorgensen seconded the motion to approve for second and final reading Board Policies 203.2—Appointment of Members to Board Committees; 402.43—Employee Negotiations; 1027—Public Conduct on School Premises; 662—Computer Software Acquisition +AR662; 663—Computer Hardware Acquisition; and 664—Donations of New or Used Computer Hardware +AR664 with emendations. The motion carried 6-0.

Board Policies

Director Jorgensen moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to approve for first reading Board Policies 481.12—Staff Access to Networked Information Resources and 581.12—Computer Networks Acceptable Use Policy with emendations. The motion carried 6-0.

WinSnap Automated Inventory System

Director Jorgensen moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to approve the purchase of the WinSnap Automated Inventory System in the amount of \$26,241.00. The motion carried 6-0.

Lunch Price Increases

Director Mounts moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to approve lunch price increases to take effect for the 2006-2007 school year as follows: Elementary—\$1.40; Middle—\$1.70; High—\$1.70; Adult—\$2.60; with milk

staying at \$.45. Thanked Jenny Welp for the write up in the Journal which was very helpful to the public and beneficial to the district. The motion carried 6-0.

2006-2007 District Roofing Project

Director Peterson moved and Director Jorgensen seconded the motion to approve the plans, specs and estimated cost of \$335,772 for the 2006-2007 district roofing project, and to set March 13, 2006, 6:00 p.m. local time for the hearing on this project. The motion carried 6-0.

2006-2007 North High School Fire Alarm System

Director Peterson moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion to approve the plans, specs and estimated cost of \$196,300 for the 2006-2007 North High School Fire Alarm System project and to set March 13, 2006, 6:00 p.m. local time, for the hearing on this project. The motion carried 6-0.

Carpet Tile Bid

Director Mounts moved and Director Johnson seconded the motion to award the bid for carpet tile to Complete Floors, Inc. in the amount of \$78,496.00. The motion carried 6-0.

Discussion/Information

Jean Peters presented her annual report on the special education program, including assessment and budget information.

Adjourn

Director Johnson moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 6-0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.