

**HEARING
SIOUX CITY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER
OCTOBER 28, 2003—6:00 P.M.**

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance—President James called the hearing to order at 6:02 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Daane, James, Jorgensen, Kruse, Mounts, and Peterson.

Hearing and Discussion—President James stated that notice was provided that a hearing would be held October 28, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. local time, in regard to the proposed specifications, proposed form of contract, and estimated cost of the Fire Alarm Phase II project; and to set November 25, 2003, at 6:00 p.m., as the date and time for action on the recommendation of award and contract for the Fire Alarm Phase II Project (McKinley/Sunnyside Elementary Schools).

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.

Recommendation—Director Batcheller moved and Director Kruse seconded the motion that the Board of Education set November 25, 2003, at 6:00 p.m., as the date and time for action on the recommendation of award and contract for the Fire Alarm Phase II Project. The motion carried 7-0.

Adjourn—Director Peterson moved and Director Jorgensen seconded the motion to adjourn the hearing. The motion carried 7-0, and the hearing adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

OCTOBER 28, 2003—6:00 P.M.

Call to Order—President James called the regular meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Present: Directors Batcheller, Daane, James, Jorgensen, Kruse, Mounts, and Peterson.

Approval of Agenda—Director Mounts moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

Citizen Input—None.

Board Member Reports—Director Batcheller: Attended Crescent Park Elementary School for a session of Reading Recovery—a very worthwhile program.

Traveled to Carroll with Director Mounts and Superintendent Williams for the District 4 IASB meeting. It was worth their time.

Director Peterson: She and President James attended the Equity Committee meeting. While at Central Campus, they visited and were impressed with the fish technology room.

Attended Hawthorne Reading Day, and the children read to her.

Director Jorgensen: Attended the IASB board leadership session in Ames last week. Impressed; good session with good material. Will relay notes to the board in the future.

Director Mounts: Also attended the District 4 IASB meeting in Carroll.

Attended *Reading is Cool* which was held at the Outback Restaurant. This event is sponsored by the Sioux City Musketeers and several local businesses. In the last two years these folks have purchased ten thousand books for the school district. Also, have purchased incentive items to encourage children to read.

President James: The Equity Committee met in the Think Tank at Central Campus last week. It was very interesting.

Board Policy Committee—October 31, 2003, 11:45 a.m.—ESC

Board Finance Committee—November 4, 2003, 11:45 a.m.—ESC

Educational Equity Committee—November 18, 2003, 11:30 a.m.—Central Campus

District Advisory—November 20, 2003, 5:00 p.m.—ESC

Finance Oversight Committee—November 24, 2003, 8:00 a.m.—421 Nebraska

Superintendent's Report—Superintendent Williams: Gave board members a document from the IASB which outlines what the IASB stands for and what their advocacy positions will stand for this year. He asked the board to familiarize themselves with this document prior to the IASB Convention.

Also attended the District 4 IASB meeting in Carroll.

Visited Reading Recovery, as well as a Title 1 class, at McKinley Elementary School.

Met with a group today with the focus on our next building leadership team which will feature Judy Stewart from NCREL.

Pleased to report that he has now identified \$1,000,020 in cuts which are realistic. This \$1,000,020 should not have any direct impact on classrooms. Making very good progress through deliberate, methodical work.

In light of what is our legacy, the first legacy which he is primarily concerned with is the delivery of efficient service. But as of his cabinet meeting this morning, took a look at three other areas and wants to hone in on those areas hard over the next few years. Wants to leave the district in better shape than when he arrived. The second goal has to do with technology which is changing so rapidly. And the third, and most important area, is to insure that all students are succeeding. Finally, with regard to have we an effective board? He's here to say we do have an effective board, and that it's nice to work with the board.

Consent Action Items—Director Mounts moved and Director Batcheller seconded the motion to approve the consent action items which consisted of the minutes of the special meeting held October 11, 2003, and the meetings held October 14, 2003, as corrected; the human resources report as amended; and the fiscal report. The motion carried 7-0.

Finance Department Recommendation for a Fund Transfer to the Medical Fund—Director Jorgensen moved and Director Batcheller seconded the motion to approve a fund transfer to the medical fund in the amount of \$623,958 (which reverses a fund transfer made three years ago in the amount of \$623,958). The motion carried 7-0.

Board Policy 521.12—Action of Law Enforcement Officers on School Property—Director Mounts moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to approve for second and final reading Board Policy 521.12—Action of Law Enforcement Officers on School Property. The motion carried 7-0.

28E Agreement With the City of Sioux City—Director Peterson moved and Director Batcheller seconded the motion to approve the 28E agreement with the City of Sioux City. The motion carried 7-0.

At-risk Allowable Growth Budget—Director Batcheller moved and Director Jorgensen seconded the motion to approve the at-risk allowable growth budget at the current level. The motion carried 7-0.

Course Guides—2004-2005—Director Jorgensen moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion to approve the 2004-2005 course guides as previously submitted. Citizen input was received from Lynn Richardson. The motion carried 7-0.

Revenue Purpose Statement for Plymouth County Sales Tax Referendum—Director Kruse moved and Director Peterson seconded the motion to approve the

Revenue Purpose Statement for Plymouth County Sales Tax Referendum as attached. The motion carried 7-0.

Discussion/Information—Jane Happe reported on the Even Start Program.

Sue Pierce informed the board regarding the seeking of a Harkin Fire (Live) Safety grant, as well as a Harkin Construction grant.

President Anne James worked with the board on the completion of the board goal setting process.

Adjourn—Director Daane moved and Director Mounts seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 7-0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.