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Educational Service Center
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I. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

President Saint called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Present: Directors Alarcon-Flory, Colling, Gleiser, McTaggart, Nelson, Saint and Warnstadt

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Colling moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 7 to 0.

IV. Good News Report(s): Spalding Park Elementary School

Principal: Mimi Moore, Teachers: Candice Schoenherr, Mande Moran, Laura Lewis, and Jon Muller, and Students: Cameron Owen and Lilly Sewalson, shared information about their 5th Social Studies and Science FutureReady teams which utilize PowerPoint, Flipgrid, Scripts or Videos to incorporate technology into the teaching and learning process.

V. Consent Action Item(s)

Director Warnstadt moved and Director McTaggart seconded the motion to approve the following consent action items. The motion carried 7 to 0.

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from December 10, 2018 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B. Human Resources Report – Dr. Rita Vannatta
- C. Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship
- D. District Diesel School Bus Purchases – Brian Fahrendholz
- E. 2019 E-Rate Network Equipment Results (Category 2) – John Pritchard
- F. RTI Quote for HP Stream Computers and Apple Quotes for iPads for Elementary Refresh at Irving, Leeds and Unity Elementary Schools – John Pritchard
- G. Resolution Designating an Individual to Sign Payments or Authorize Electronic Funds Transfers on Behalf of the Board President - Dr. Paul Gausman

VI. Member Reports / Future Meetings

Director Gleiser:

- He attended the West High *English III Persuasive Proposal Gallery Walk*.
- He is pleased with the District's involvement with the County to become an *ACT Work Ready Community*. An announcement of achievement will take place at 10 a.m. on January 25 at the Court House.

Director Alarcon-Flory:

- Several “Transition Nights” taking place in the District that have been well received.
- She enjoyed the opportunity to work with *Project Lead the Way* in the Career Academy.
- She attended a middle school science presentation on the elements of an iPhone.
- She was honored to chaperone East High Show Choir, *The Headliners*, and congratulated them for receiving a number of awards.
- Our 3 high school honor bands are doing well.

Director Colling:

- He attended Student Achievement Committee and Board Finance & Facilities Committee meetings.
- He attended the West High *English III Persuasive Proposal Gallery Walk*.

Director McTaggart:

- He attended committee meetings he serves on.
- All 3 of our high schools are doing wonderful things; the instructional galleries are unique.

Director Nelson:

- She attended the West High *English III Persuasive Proposal Gallery Walk*.
- In respect to the *Prime Age 0-3* literacy initiative, there is interest in the Little Libraries. If interested in volunteering, they can contact her.

Future Meetings are as follows:

- Building Oversight Committee – 4:00 p.m., January 15, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Board Work Session – Part III Board Self-Assessment – 4:30 p.m., January 16, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Educational Equity Committee – 11:30 a.m., January 18, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Student Achievement Committee – Noon, January 21, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Board Policy Committee – 3:00 p.m., January 21, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., January 22, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Preschool Initiative Oversight Committee – 1:30 p.m., January 23, 2019, Irving Preschool.
- Educational Legislative Forum – 8:30 a.m., January 26, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee – 8:00 a.m., January 28, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Special / Regular Board Meeting – 4:30 p.m., January 28, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., February 11, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- School Improvement Advisory Committee – 5:15 p.m., February 21, 2019, ESC Board Room.

VII. Superintendent’s Report

- Thanks to *Puro Headphones* for donating headphones to students over the past couple of years.
- Congratulations to East High Graduate, Mitchell Betsworth, who was featured in the *2018 Sports Illustrated* “Year in Pictures” section.
- Thanks to the staff at Hunt Elementary School who spread holiday cheer by delivering gifts to students in need over the holidays.
- Congratulations to the East High Dance Teams for their success at state.
- He acknowledged student teachers in attendance.

VII. Items of Presentation, Discussion, and/or Action

A. First Reading of Board Policies – Dr. Paul Gausman

- 403.8 Notification of Conviction or Abuse Charges
- 404.1 Personnel Illness / Sick Leave
- 404.6 Jury Duty and Witness Duty
- 404.7 Military Leave
- 431 Personnel – Grievance Procedures
- 504.9 Homeless Children and Youth
- 605.4 Graduation Requirements

Director Colling moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to approve the above Board policies for first reading.

Director Nelson moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to table BP404.1 until the January 28 meeting. After a roll call vote, the motion carried 5 to 2, with Directors Saint and Warnstadt voting no.

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, stated BP403.8 addresses procedures for employees to report abuse, and asked if there is policy for Board members to report incidents of abuse.

The motion carried 7 to 0 to approve all other policies.

B. Second and Final Reading of Board Policies – Dr. Paul Gausman

- 201.1 President / Vice President

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Nelson seconded the motion to approve the above Board policy for second and final reading.

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director McTaggart seconded the motion to table BP201.1 for further discussion and review with legal counsel. The motion carried 7 to 0.

C. Riverside and Sunnyside Elementary Schools Mechanical Systems Updating Project - Phase I – Brian Fahrenholz

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to set a public hearing for January 28, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., local time, at the Educational Service Center, 627 4th Street, Sioux City, Iowa, to receive public input on the proposed plans, specifications, and estimated total cost of \$1,682,380.00 for Riverside and Sunnyside Elementary Schools Mechanical Systems Updating Project – Phase I. Plans and specifications may be reviewed in the Purchasing Manager's office located at the same address. The motion carried 7 to 0.

D. Modified Supplemental Amount for At-Risk / Dropout Prevention – Dr. Kim Buryanek

Director McTaggart moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to approve the At-Risk / Dropout Prevention application with the Modified Supplemental Amount levy of \$1,973,555.

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, stated last year's financials showed a substantial balance in this program and yet the District is asking for another \$2M. He asked what the estimated expenditures were for these funds.

The motion carried 7 to 0.

E. Substitute Fill Rate and Teacher Absenteeism Program Review – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, asked about the overall objective and encouraged the Board to establish some goals moving forward.

President Saint acknowledged the results of the *Substitute Fill Rate and Teacher Absenteeism Program Review*, along with the recommendations set forth in the report.

F. Restatement of Legislative Priorities

President Saint restated and affirmed the District's previously approved Legislative Priorities.

Director McTaggart moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to approve the previously approved Legislative Priorities. Motions were withdrawn.

Director Nelson moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to reaffirm the District's current seven Legislative Action Priorities and add **#8: Expanded Support for Mental Health Funding**.

The motion carried 7 to 0.

IX. Citizen Input

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, shared concerns related to:

- 1) High school concessions and payments made to specific funds.
- 2) Concessions other than DCI.
- 3) Teacher absenteeism versus students who travel to / from various school locations. Students potentially lose 15% of instruction time. Over the course of a week, this amounts to .75 of a day. This becomes an equity issue.

X. Adjourn

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 7 to 0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Jeremy Saint, Board President
SCCSD Board of Directors

Cynthia A. Lloyd, Board Secretary
SCCSD Board of Directors