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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 Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 7 to 0.

IV. Good News Report(s)

Katie Towler (Principal), Staff members; Niki Coughlin and Anthony Gaul, and Students; Ellie Risdal, Brad McHugh, Chianne Rogers and Dafnis Valle shared a brief video and information about Work Based Learning; guest speakers, site visits, job shadows, internships and registered apprenticeships.

V. Consent Action Item(s)

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to approve the following Consent Action Items. The motion carried 7 to 0.

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from October 28, 2019 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B. Human Resources Report(s) – Dr. Rita Vannatta
- C. Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship
- D. Contract for Transportation Services Between the SCCSD and D&Z Transportation LLC – Brian Fahrendholz
- E. Build Math Minds Number Sense Courses – Heidi Anthony

VI. Hearing(s)

- A. Hail Damaged Roof Top Mechanical Equipment Repair and Replacement Project – Brian Fahrendholz

President Saint stated notice was provided that a hearing would be held at 6:00 p.m. local time, at the Educational Service Center, 627 4th Street, Sioux City, Iowa, on the 11th day of November, 2019, to receive public input on the proposed plans, specifications, and estimated cost of \$570,000.00 for the Hail Damaged Roof Top Mechanical Equipment Repair and Replacement Project.

He stated 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.

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to approve the proposed plans, specifications, and estimated cost of \$570,000.00 for the Hail Damaged Roof Top Mechanical Equipment Repair and Replacement Project. The motion carried 7 to 0.

VII. Board Member Reports / Future Meetings

Director Colling:

- Thanks to the staff and students at West High for making him feel welcome during his recent visit.
- He gave a shout out to three Sioux City natives he met during his recent vacation.

Director Alarcon-Flory:

- Congratulations to students who participated in Northwest Iowa Honor Band and Choir.
- She visits the Career Academy often and is blown away with all they are doing.
- She is proud of our AFJROTC students who put on the Veterans' Day ceremony, and for standing guard at the Sgt. Floyd Monument.

Director Gleiser:

- He updated the Board regarding funding of the National Career Readiness Certificates through Iowa Workforce Development, noting the state has reinstated funding and secured a 3-year contract with ACT.

Director Nelson:

- She sat in on the UEN webinar related to Legislative Priorities.
- She enjoyed the opportunity to meet 3 of our 4 exchange teachers from Spain at Irving Elementary.
- She, with the Sioux City Public Schools Foundation, met at North High to discuss ways to grow our Arts programs.
- She participated in the Chamber's Legislative Priorities, noting the Chamber added English Language Learners (ELL), Early Childhood Literacy, Preschool, and Children's Mental Health to their Legislative Priorities. Matt Ohman (SHIP) was able to add Childcare to their list.

Future Meetings are as follows:

- School Improvement Advisory Committee – 5:15 p.m., November 14, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Student Achievement Committee – Noon, November 18, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Board Policy Committee – 4:30 p.m., November 18, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., November 19, ESC Board Room.
- Annual UEN / IASB Convention – November 20-21, 2019, Des Moines, IA.
- Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee – 8:00 a.m., November 25, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Outgoing / Incoming School Board Member(s) Reception - 4:30 p.m., November 25, 2019, ESC Room #105.
- Annual / Organizational Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., November 25, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Preschool Initiative Oversight Committee – 1:30 p.m., November 27, 2019, Bryant Elementary School.
- Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., December 9, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Educational Equity Committee – 11:30 a.m., December 13, 2019, ESC Board Room.

VIII. Superintendent's Report

- Congratulations to our AFJROTC cadets for hosting the 3rd Annual Veterans' Day ceremony. Thanks to City leaders, the North High Band and the West High Choir who also attended, and thanks to the cadets who held a 12-hour vigil at the Sgt. Floyd Monument.
- He enjoyed watching 4th and 5th graders using the equipment, the facility, and interacting with students and staff in our Health Sciences Suite of our Career Academy.
- He stressed the need for new members on the District's Building Oversight Committee and Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee.

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

A. Northwest AEA Director District #7 Board Election – President Saint and Dr. Dan Cox

Director Warnstadt nominated Julie DeGroot and Director McTaggart seconded the nomination. Director Nelson moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to approve the election of Julie DeGroot for Northwest AEA's District 7. The motion carried 7 to 0.

B. School Calendars for 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to set a public hearing for November 25, 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 District's proposed 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school calendars. The motion carried 7 to 0.

C. Board Authorization to Request Modified Supplemental Amount for Increasing Enrollment – Patty Blankenship

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to authorize the request to the SBRC for \$3,056,096 of modified supplemental amount for increasing enrollment. The motion carried 7 to 0.

D. Board Authorization to Request Modified Supplemental Amount for ELL Beyond 5 Years – Patty Blankenship

Director Warnstadt moved and Director Nelson seconded the motion to authorize the request to the SBRC for \$1,168,499.20 of modified supplemental amount for ELL beyond 5 years. The motion carried 7 to 0.

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

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Nelson seconded the motion to approve the At-Risk / Dropout Prevention application with the Modified Supplemental Amount levy of \$3,733,605.

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, asked for clarification regarding the levy and future use of funds.

The motion carried 7 to 0.

F. Student Achievement Update – Heidi Anthony

Dan Greenwell, 11 W. Kings Hwy, stated the presentation was clear, concise, informative and well done. He shared concerns regarding the percentage of non-proficient students on the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISASP). He suggested judging the Common Assessments against the Iowa Assessments in the future.

President Saint stated the Board acknowledges the 2018-2019 Student Achievement update as presented.

G. FY21 Spending Authority Projections and the Budget Presentation Calendar – Patty Blankenship

Dan Greenwell, 11 W. Kings Hwy, provided 3 handouts to the Board regarding Class Sizes for elementary, middle school and Career Academy to consider when going through the budget process. He will meet with Dr. Gausman and his team later this week to discuss class sizes in the high schools.

President Saint stated the Board acknowledges the information regarding the District's FY21 spending authority projections and the budget presentation calendar.

H. Restatement of Legislative Priorities / Guidance to IASB Delegate – President Saint

President Saint asked if Board members had any further comment regarding the District's Legislative Priorities or IASB's summation of Legislative Priorities from Districts across the state which will be discussed by the Delegate Assembly during the upcoming convention. Ms. Nelson stated she will again vote "no" for an increase to IASB membership fees.

IX. Citizen Input.

Mike Bushby, 2331 Seneca Way, shared concerns regarding parent communication, placing Citizen Input at the beginning of the meeting, and how he would like to be more involved in the District. He shared his point of view, as well as his daughters about a recent incident at North Middle School. He provided a letter written by his daughter to be shared with all Board members.

Dan Greenwell, 11 W. Kings Hwy, agreed with Mr. Bushby that Citizen Input should be put back towards the beginning of the meeting.

X. Adjourn

Director McTaggart moved and Director Nelson seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 7 to 0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Jeremy Saint, Board President
SCCSD Board of Directors

Cynthia A. Lloyd, Board Secretary
SCCSD Board of Directors