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I. Call to Order

President Saint called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Present: Directors Alarcon-Flory (5:02 p.m.), Albert, Colling, Goodvin, Greenwell, Saint and Scarlett

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Scarlett moved and Director Greenwell seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 6 to 0.

IV. Approval of Closed Session / Closed Session

Director Scarlett moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to go into a closed session to conduct a strategy meeting of a public employer concerning employees' collective bargaining as provided in Section 20.17 (3) of the Iowa Code. The District's legal counsel present for this session, either in person or by electronic means, is Drew Bracken of Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. The motion carried 6 to 0, and the Board retired to closed session at 5:02 p.m.

V. Adjourn Closed Session / Return to Open Session

Director Scarlett moved and Director Greenwell seconded the motion to adjourn a closed session and return to open session. The motion carried 7 to 0, and the Board returned to open session at 5:44 p.m.

VI. Adjourn

Director Albert moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to adjourn the special meeting. The motion carried 7 to 0, and the special meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Jeremy Saint, Board President
SCCSD Board of Directors

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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, Albert, Colling, Goodvin, Greenwell, Saint and Scarlett

III. Approval of Agenda

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

IV. Citizen Input.

None

V. Consent Action Item(s)

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

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from March 9, 2020 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B. Human Resources Report(s) – Dr. Rita Vannatta
- C. Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship
- D. FY21 Annual District Truck Replacement – Brian Fahrendholz
- E. High School Electrical Updates Project - Phase I - Brian Fahrendholz
- F. Iowa Reading Corps Invoice – Dr. Brian Burnight

Director Greenwell asked that clarification of \$14,024.63 paid to the Boys & Girls Home be provided at the next Board Finance & Facilities Committee meeting.

VI. Board Member Reports / Future Meetings

Director Scarlett:

- She attended negotiation discussions, SCEA Coffee Talk, and Student Achievement Committee.
- She thanked Board members, Dr. Gausman and his staff for working around the clock in this uncertain time.
 - She thanked community leaders; Stephanie Robinson, Kayla Hayes, and Jody Hilden House who helped bag 450 meals to feed our students.
- God Bless each and every one of us.

Director Colling:

- He watched lunch distribution at Irving Elementary School and applauded the Food Service team.
- He attended Student Achievement and Board Finance & Facilities Committees.
- This will be his last meeting in public as he will shelter in place.

Director Goodvin:

- He has heard a lot about Food Service lately, and is hopeful we get some state press from all the good things we are doing in this part of the state.

Director Alarcon-Flory:

- She is grateful to the community for the way they have responded to our needs.
- She is sad for students who are missing out on so much during this time.
- She is thankful to everyone involved during this time.
- She asked Dr. Gausman to clarify Friday's decision to pay hourly employees.

Director Greenwell:

- He attended Student Achievement Committee, Board Finance & Facilities Committee and SCEA Coffee Talk.
- He has heard that teachers are being asked to pack up their rooms and student belongings, and asked Dr. Gausman to follow up.
- He thanked Rich Luze and his staff for doing a phenomenal job.

Future Meetings are as follows:

- Board Policy Committee – 4:30 p.m., March 24, 2020, ESC Board Room.
- ~~Education Legislative Forum – 8:30 a.m., March 28, 2020, ESC Board Room. CANCELLED!~~
- ~~Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee – 8:00 a.m., March 30, 2020, ESC Board Room. CANCELLED!~~
- Student Achievement Committee – Noon, April 6, 2020, ESC Board Room.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., April 7, 2020, ESC Board Room.
- Regular School Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., **TUESDAY**, April 14, 2020, ESC Board Room.
- School Improvement Advisory Committee – 5:15 p.m., April 23, 2020, ESC Board Room.
- Regular School Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., April 27, 2020, ESC Board Room.
- Educational Equity Committee – 11:30 a.m., May 1, 2020, ESC Board Room.

VII. Superintendent's Report

- He called attention to a document provided to Board members in response to Director Greenwell's request for costs associated with the option to pay hourly employees as voted on by the Board last Friday.
- He is so proud of our staff members and the work they are doing during this time, and noted the District is prepared to move to virtual meetings at any time.

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

A. Payment of Long-Term Substitute Teachers' Wages during Pandemic – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Director Scarlett moved and Director Greenwell seconded the motion to approve payment for long-term substitute teachers that were previously assured of and working in long-term teaching assignments (six weeks or longer), from March 16-April 8, 2020, to be paid by the District. All long-term substitute teachers must make appropriate application through the Payroll Department to receive payment. The motion carried 6 to 1, with Director Goodvin voting no.

B. RESOLUTION: Pandemic Response and Emergency Suspension of Policy – President Saint

President Saint read the proposed resolution in its entirety. Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to approve RESOLUTION – Pandemic Response and Emergency Suspension of Policy. The motion carried 7 to 0.

C. Benefit Plan Update – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to approve the recommendations from the District's Insurance Committee to be effective 7/1/2020. The motion carried 7 to 0.

D. Agreement with RSP and Associates – Dr. Brian Burnight and Jim Vanderloo

Director Greenwell moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to approve the Agreement with RSP and Associates, LLC. in the amount of \$62,500. The motion carried 7 to 0. Board members volunteered to participate in community meetings.

E. FY21 Annual Roof Repairs, Maintenance, and Replacement Projects - Brian Fahrenholz

Director Scarlett moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to accept the low bid for Sunnyside Elementary School and Riverside Elementary School Phase 3 from Winkler Roofing Inc. of Sioux City, Iowa, and awards the contract in the amount of \$303,500.00, and accepts the low bid for West Middle School from JR Roofing Inc. of Le Mars, Iowa, and awards the contract in the amount of \$107,240.00 for a total awarded amount of \$410,740.00. The motion carried 7 to 0.

F. Hail Damaged Metal Window Sills Replacement Project - Brian Fahrendholz

Director Greenwell moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to approve the proposed plans, specifications, and Engineer's estimated cost of \$459,860.00, for the Hail Damaged Metal Window Sills Replacement Project at Loess Hills, Morning and Spalding Park Elementary Schools, set a public hearing date, and public notice as required by law. A public hearing will be held at 6:00 p.m., local time, at the Educational Service Center, 627 4th Street, Sioux City, Iowa, on the 14th day of April 2020. Plans and specifications may be reviewed in the Purchasing Manager's office located at the same address. The motion carried 7 to 0.

G. High School Baseball ADA and Parking Additions Project – East High School - Brian Fahrendholz

Director Scarlett moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to approve the plans, specifications, and estimated costs, including architectural fees, provided by DGR Engineering of Sioux City, Iowa, of \$188,137.43 for the High School Baseball ADA and Parking Additions Project – East High School, set a public hearing date, and public notice as required by law. A public hearing will be held at 6:00 p.m., local time, at the Educational Service Center, 627 4th Street, Sioux City, Iowa, on the 14th day of April 2020. Plans and specifications may be reviewed in the Purchasing Manager's office located at the same address. The motion carried 7 to 0.

H. \$15,000,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2020 – Patty Blankenship

- Resolution Appointing Paying Agent, Bond Registrar and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent, Bond Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement, and Authorizing the Execution of Same.
- Approval of Tax Exemption Certificate.
- Resolution Authorizing the Terms of Issuance and Providing for and Securing the Payment of School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds.

- Documents:
 - Paying Agent, Bond Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement
 - Tax Exemption Certificate
 - Delivery Certificate
 - Authentication Order
 - District Certificate
 - Bond Purchase Agreement
 - Bond
 - IRS Form 8038-G

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to adopt the resolutions and execute the documents. The motion carried 7 to 0.

I. FY21 Budget Adjustment Resolution – Patty Blankenship

Director Greenwell moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to approve Resolution: RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sioux City Community School District, will levy property tax for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14 of the Iowa Code. The motion carried 7 to 0.

J. Boundary Adjustment Recommendations – Dr. Brian Burnight

Director Greenwell asked if John Pritchard could send the City the new boundary adjustments as currently proposed.

President Saint stated the Board’s discussion be reflected in the minutes and that the Board will revisit this topic at their next regular meeting.

K. Cash Reserve Levy – Patty Blankenship

Director Greenwell asked Board members to consider lowering the reserves even greater to give taxpayers a little more of a break. He provided a chart to Board members which showed *General Fund – Cash Balances – FY Periods July 2016 to February 2020*. Director Albert asked for more time to consider this option. .

President Saint stated the Board acknowledges the information presented and that additional information will be presented at the next Board Finance & Facilities Committee meeting before the next Board meeting.

IX. Adjourn

Director Scarlett moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 7 to 0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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