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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 Colling, Gleiser, McTaggart, Nelson, Saint and Warnstadt

Absent: Director Alarcon-Flory

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Director Gleiser moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 6 to 0.

**IV. Consent Action Item(s)**

Director Colling moved and Director McTaggart seconded the motion to approve the following consent action items.

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from June 24, 2019 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B. Human Resources Report – Dr. Rita Vannatta
- C. Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship
- D. Preschool Initiative Agreements – Dr. Brian Burnight
- E. Preschool Rental Agreements – Dr. Brian Burnight
- F. Memorandum of Understanding Between the SCCSD and WITCC – Jim Vanderloo

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, explained handouts he provided the Board and asked them to consider an analysis of open enrollment in / out and the impact it has on the District. He stated he will be requesting data related to this topic.

The motion carried 6 to 0.

**V. Board Member Reports / Future Meetings**

Director Colling:

- He attended Board Finance & Facilities Committee last week. All items discussed are on the agenda with the exception of payment for FY20 International Baccalaureate and discussion of Title I Funds.

Director Nelson:

- She visited the Summer School program at Liberty Elementary School.
- She asked the Board to reconsider the District Advisory Committee's proposal to study attendance in this District, create an Attendance Policy and an AR.
- She thanked all who donated to the Sioux City Public Schools Foundation during their recent telethon.
- Today marks her first anniversary of serving on the Board and described her first year in one word "resilient".
- She announced her candidacy for School Board in the 2019 election.

Director McTaggart:

- Today marks the anniversary of the first flight to the moon.
- He attended Board Finance & Facilities Committee.
- He is happy Ms. Nelson will run for School Board.

### **Future Meetings are as follows:**

- Board Policy Committee – 4:30 p.m., July 29, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Student Achievement Committee – Noon, August 5, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., August 6, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., August 12, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee – 8:00 a.m., August 26, 2019, ESC Board Room.
- Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., August 26, 2019, ESC Board Room.

## **VI. Superintendent's Report**

- Congrats to B.J. Koch - 2019 Iowa Association of Student Councils High School Administrator of the Year.
- Congrats to Jessica Kleinschmidt – Health Occupations Students of America International Finalist who placed 6<sup>th</sup> in Health Career Photography.
- Our District was named as one of *District Administration* magazine's 34 "Districts of Distinction" in 2019 for our Career Academy program.
- He attended the Urban Superintendents Association of America conference themed "*Transformational Change*" featuring speaker Tom Murray.
- North and West High Schools Student Senates were awarded the Iowa Association of Student Councils Honor Councils with meritorious distinction awards.
- On behalf of Director Nelson, he shared information from the Cedar Rapids Gazette on Iowa Children's Mental Health. Iowa is establishing its first ever Children's Mental Health System. As a result, 9 AEA's will provide training.
- Congrats to Javier Fuentes (WHS) – One of 4 students in Iowa selected to attend the 2019 Iowa Youth Summit in San Francisco, CA, for our Gear Up program.

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

### **A. 2019-2020 Legislative Action Priorities – President Saint**

Director Warnstadt moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to approve Legislative Action Priorities for 2019-2020. The motion carried 6 to 0.

Director Nelson explained her proposed revisions to 1) Student Equity: State and District Cost Per Pupil, 2) Expanded Support for English Language Learners, and 3) Educational Savings Accounts.

Director McTaggart shared why he did not believe Student Tuition Organizations (STO's) is a direct vehicle for taxpayers to receive tax credits for donations that generates grant funding for private school tuition and should not be included in the Board's Legislative Action Priorities. The Board, by consensus, agreed to push the other 6 Legislative Action Priorities forward without mention of STO's, add the Sioux City Public Schools Foundation as an entity and the Sioux City Community School District as an example. Dr. Gausman will visit with Lobbyist Margaret Buckton before bringing this back for approval on August 12. President Saint stated he did propose language regarding *Modified Supplemental Amounts for Gifted and Talented Programs* but wants to seek additional information before crafting it into a Legislative Action Priority.

Director Gleiser moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to amend the prior motion and approve the provisions presented by Director Nelson. The motion carried 6 to 0.

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

- 306.1 Administrative Staff Reduction - **DELETE**
- 307 Administrative Employee Compensation Plan
- 403.4 Employee Reduction in Force
- 439.09 Drug and Alcohol Testing Program
- 505.18 Student Records
- ~~602.10 Talented and Gifted Education~~
- 603.10 Instructional Materials

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

Board members reiterated their desire for an AR to BP602.10. Ms. Neal will contact the TAG Parent Group as a point of reference.

Director Warnstadt moved to amend the previous motion and pull BP307 for a separate vote, and pull BP602.10 until an AR is created. Director McTaggart seconded the motion. The motion carried 6 to 0.

President Saint shared Legal Counsel's explanation of Cannabis related to BP439.09. He stated the law is so narrow on this point that if someone tests positive for Cannabis, they would have to show their certification and would be dealt with at that time.

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, asked the Board to be more specific in BP307 to include "salary and bonuses".

Director Nelson suggested the Board perform a Programmatic Review of Policy Development and Flow Chart of how we utilize and store data. Currently policies are non-searchable and Board members cannot access historical data or past Board's decisions. She also suggested that requests for data be logged and centralized online. Dr. Gausman replied that this is already in place and that she will be trained on how to access. She also suggested that Citizen Input be accessible online so those who wish to speak can do so ahead of time. Dr. Gausman stated the District is looking into a new website provider.

The motion carried 6 to 0 to approve BP306.1, 403.4, 439.09, 505.18 and 603.10.

Director Colling moved and Director Nelson seconded the motion to approve BP307.

Director Mc Taggart moved to amend BP307 and Director Nelson seconded the motion to include "salary(ies) and bonus(es)" in three areas within the policy. The motion carried 5 to 1, with Director Warnstadt voting no.

Director Nelson reiterated the inclusion of an appeal process, 360° review and cost in the Programmatic Review.

### **XIII. Citizen Input**

Rick Bertrand, 1501 Peavey Street, shared photos taken from Unity Drive. He is concerned with the increasing amount of 4-wheelers tearing up District property. He asked the Board to take a look at that area and suggested they consider putting up a fence to keep 4-wheelers off that property. He stated he opposes STO's noting he believes they are a Trojan horse against private schools. The intention is good but their needs to be more education around this.

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, provided handouts to the Board. He stated he will be requesting data regarding class sizes, open enrollment in/out, etc. His goal is to place this data on a website that shows accurate data regarding class sizes.

### **IX. Adjourn**

Director Gleiser moved and Director Nelson seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 6 to 0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

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Jeremy Saint, Board President  
SCCSD Board of Directors

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Cynthia A. Lloyd, Board Secretary  
SCCSD Board of Directors