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President Alarcon-Flory called the special meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Present: Directors Alarcon-Flory, Albert, Colling, Goodvin, Greenwell, Saint and Scarlett

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Albert moved and Director Saint seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

IV. Approval of Closed Session / Closed Session

Director Saint moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to go into a closed session to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the District in that litigation as provided in Section 21.5(1)(c) of the Iowa Code. The District's legal counsel, either in person or by electronic means, is Miriam Van Heukelem, Ahlers Cooney Law Firm. Motion carried 7-0, and the Board retired to closed session at 5:31 p.m.

V. Adjourn Closed Session / Return to Open Session

Director Saint moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to adjourn a closed session and return to open session. Motion carried 7-0, and the Board returned to open session at 5:50 p.m.

VI. Adjourn

Director Scarlett moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to adjourn the special meeting. Motion carried 7-0, and the special meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Perla Alarcon-Flory, President
SCCSD Board of Directors

Cynthia A. Lloyd, Board Secretary
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I. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

President Alarcon-Flory called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Present: Directors Alarcon-Flory, Albert, Colling, Goodwin, Greenwell, Saint and Scarlett

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Saint moved and Director Greenwell seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

IV. Friend of Education Award(s): Siouxland District Health

Dr. Gausman presented the Friend of Education award to Siouxland District Health for their instrumental help and support during the COVID-19 pandemic. Kevin Grieme, Angela Drent and Tyler Brock accepted the award on behalf of Siouxland District Health.

V. Citizen Input

None.

VI. Consent Action Item(s)

Director Scarlett moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to approve the following consent action items. Motion carried 7-0, with Director Saint abstaining from item “E”.

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from April 26, 2021 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B. Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship
- C. Lexia Core 5 – Dr. Brian Burnight
- D. Software Licenses for FY2021-22 – John Pritchard
- E. MidAmerican Energy Company Underground Electric Easement at North High School – Tim Paul
- F. Return-to-Learn – Dr. Kim Buryanek

Director Goodwin requested explanation of the District’s handling of Amazon supply orders.

Director Greenwell requested explanation of payments made to United Way and RSP & Assoc. Mr. Greenwell shared presentation for use of ESSER funds to help struggling students, hiring additional teachers, and lowering class sizes for a two-year period.

VII. Hearing(s)

A. FY21 Proposed Budget Amendment – Patty Blankenship

President Alarcon-Flory stated notice was provided that a hearing would be held on May 10, 2021, 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 FY21 Proposed Budget Amendment.

She stated any interested party may appear and file objections and any information for or against same will be heard on the above-named budget amendment with the final decision of the Board of Education a matter of record.

Director Colling moved and Director Goodvin seconded the motion to approve the FY21 Proposed Budget Amendment. President Alarcon-Flory stated that the Board acknowledges the FY21 Proposed Budget Amendment.

B. Title VI Indian Education Grant Application– Jen Gomez

President Alarcon-Flory stated notice was provided that a hearing would be held on May 10, 2021, 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 Title VI Indian Education Grant Application.

She stated any interested party may appear and file objections and any information for or against same will be heard on the above-named Grant Application with the final decision of the Board of Education a matter of record.

Director Albert moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to approve the Title VI Indian Education Grant Application. Motion carried 7-0.

VIII. Board Member Reports / Future Meetings

Director Greenwell:

- He attended the Board Finance & Facilities Committee meeting.
- He read aloud the letter he wrote to President Alarcon-Flory earlier today requesting the Superintendent's contract be added to the next Board agenda.

Director Colling:

- He attended the Student Achievement and the Board Finance & Facilities Committee meetings.
- He visited Leeds Elementary School and thanked the students and staff for their hospitality.

Director Albert:

- She attended a couple of meetings and those items are on tonight's agenda.

Director Scarlett:

- She attended the Student Achievement Committee meeting, the Wells Blue Crew events at North, West and East High Schools, and the Board Leadership meeting.
- In honor of Staff Appreciation last week, she personally thanked everyone for their dedication, creativity, hard work, etc.

Director Goodvin:

- He looks forward to attending this year's graduations at the Tyson Events Center.

Director Alarcon-Flory:

- We are nearing the end of one of the toughest school years in recent history.
- There are many concerts, plays, and performances going on throughout our District.
- Kudos to:
 - Our staff, students, parents and support groups for all you do.
 - Those taking care of the recycling in our buildings.
 - Our staff members in honor of Staff Appreciation Week.
 - She shared *Every Child Deserves a Champion* quote by Rita Pierson.
 - Our Board members in honor of May / School Board Appreciation Month.
 - All the Mothers - Happy Mother's Day!
- High school graduations will be held Saturday, May 29 at the Tyson Events Center.

Future Meetings are as follows:

- District Retirement Dinner – 5:30 p.m., May 12, 2020, West High School Gym.
- Board Policy Committee – 4:00 p.m., May 18, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee – 8:00 a.m., May 24, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Preschool Initiative Oversight Committee – 1:30 p.m., May 26, 2021, via ZOOM.
- North High School Graduation – 11:00 a.m., May 29, 2021 Tyson Events Center.
- West High School Graduation – 2:30 p.m., May 29, 2021, Tyson Events Center.
- East High School Graduation – 6:00 p.m., May 29, 2021, Tyson Events Center.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., June 7, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Special / Regular School Board Meeting – 4:30 p.m., June 14, 2021, ESC Board Room.

IX. Superintendent's Report

- Dr. Gausman acknowledged:
 - Todd Siefker, SCCSD Teacher of the Year, won the "Are You Smarter Than Our Fourth Graders" event.
 - Kenny Lam (WHS Jr.) is a National Merit Scholarship finalist.
 - SCCSD reports 9% growth in dual enrollment courses.
 - Trinity Edwards (EHS Sr.), top recipient of \$40K from the Kind World Distinguished Scholarship program.
 - Staff member honored Dr. Michael Rogers by having flag flown over Al Asad Airbase.
 - In recognition of May as School Board Recognition Month, he thanked the Board members.
 - Bernie Scolaro, finalist for the Iowa Association for Admissions Counseling Counselor of the Year.
 - Melissa Gomez (NHS), Rebecka Lynn (EHS) and Rehman Mian (EHS / Heelan) won first place in the 2021 Innovation Grow Entrepreneurial Competition for their Business Idea & Pitch "Lock Clock".
 - He recognized Mandie Mayo for the work she has done for this District as her family is moving to Texas at the end of this month. Our Communications Department, with the help of Niccole Wolken, Marketing & Communications Coordinator, were awarded five first place awards by the ISPRA.

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

A. FY21 Proposed Budget Amendment - Patty Blankenship

Director Greenwell moved and Director Goodvin seconded the motion to adopt the FY21 budget amendment. Motion carried 7-0.

B. 6th–12th Grade Science and 6th Grade Dual Language and Curriculum and Material Adoption and Funding Recommendations – Heidi Anthony

Director Colling moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to approve the following curriculum and material adoptions for a total of \$602,793.20. Motion carried 7-0.

- 6th-12th grade science using the Modified Supplemental Amount for At-Risk/Dropout Prevention FY21 in the amount of \$30,221.75, the Instructional Support Levy FY22 in the amount of \$548,772.96, and Title II FY22 in the amount of \$22,112.29, for a total expenditure of \$601,107.
- 6th grade dual language using the Instructional Support Levy FY22 in the amount of \$1,686.20.

C. Acceptance of Tentative Agreement Between SCEA and the SCCSD – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Director Greenwell moved and Director Albert seconded the motion to approve the recommendation by the administration to accept the tentative agreement between the Sioux City Education Association (SCEA) and the Sioux City Community School District (SCCSD). Motion carried 7-0.

D. Acceptance of Tentative Agreement Between SCESPA and the SCCSD – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Director Scarlett moved and Director Saint seconded the motion to approve the recommendation by the administration to accept the tentative agreement between the Sioux City Educational Support Personnel Association (SCESPA) and the Sioux City Community School District (SCCSD). Motion carried 7-0.

E. Human Resources Report(s) – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Director Greenwell asked how you determine the levels of effort and/or compensation in regards to supplemental schedules on coaching stipends. He suggested adding this to next year's collective bargaining conversations. He also asked for an analysis on the ROTC salaries.

Director Saint moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to approve the Human Resources Report(s). Motion carried 7-0.

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

- 505.11 Student Fees / Fines / Rentals
- 505.12 Fees & Fee Waivers for Traffic Education
- AR505.12 Student Fees and Fee Waivers **NEW**
- 809 Insurance Program
- 851.1 Medicaid Claiming

Director Saint moved and Director Goodvin seconded the motion to approve the above Board policies for second and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

XI. Adjourn

Director Colling moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion carried 7-0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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