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**Sioux City Community School District**  
**Educational Service Center**  
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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, Goodvin (6:06 p.m.), Greenwell, Saint and Scarlett

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Director Saint moved and Director Greenwell seconded the motion to amend the agenda and to move Policy 602.9 from item C to item D and Policy 205.1 from item C to item E. Motion to amend the agenda carried 7-0.

**IV. Citizen Input**

None.

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

Director Colling moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to approve the following consent action items. Motion carried 7-0.

- A. Board Meeting Minutes from December 14, 2020 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B. Human Resources Report(s) – Dr. Rita Vannatta
- C. Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship
- D. Non-Public Schools' Professional Development Contract – Dr. Kim Buryanek
- E. District Diesel School Bus Purchases – Brian Fahrendholz
- F. North High School Cafeteria Seating Replacement Project – Brian Fahrendholz

Director Greenwell requested explanation of a couple items listed on pages 12 and 24 of the Check Register.

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

Director Greenwell:

- He reported on the Boundary Committee meeting noting that a recommendation will be brought forward at the next Board meeting.
- He received a complaint regarding the District's response for information.
- He shared concern with using a Board forum to talk politics.

Director Colling:

- He attended Board Finance & Facilities and Student Achievement Committee meetings noting he was pleased with the District's Common Assessment results.

Director Albert:

- She attended Educational Equity and Student Achievement Committee meetings noting she was surprised with the District's Common Assessment results.
- She thanked teachers for all they do and those who have emailed her regarding District business.

Director Scarlett:

- She attended Boundary Committee meeting.
- She helped hand out food boxes over the holidays and thanked New Life in Christ Church for helping our students and their families.
- The District will celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on January 18, 2021.

***The Board took a 10-minute recess due to online technical difficulties.***

Directors Greenwell, Colling, Albert and Scarlett reiterated their remarks for those listening online.

Director Goodvin:

- He is disappointed for not being on the Board Finance & Facilities Committee.

Director Saint:

- He looks forward to the Boundary Committee's recommendation that will come forward.

Director Alarcon-Flory:

- She thanked District staff for all they do and the public for their patience. School personnel take seriously in keeping students safe while providing instruction.

**Future Meetings are as follows:**

- Board Work Session re: Board Governance – 8:30 a.m., January 16, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., January 18, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Board Policy Committee – 3:30 p.m., January 19, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- School Improvement Advisory Committee – 5:15 p.m., January 21, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Education Legislative Forum – 8:30 a.m., January 23, 2021, EHS, 3200 S. Cypress Street.
- Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee – 8:00 a.m., January 25, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Regular School Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., January 25, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Board Student Achievement Committee – 4:00 p.m., January 28, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Preschool Initiative Oversight Committee – 1:30 p.m., February 3, 2021, Clark Early Childhood Center.
- SCEA and SCESPA Opening Proposals – 4:15 p.m., February 4, 2021, ESC Board Room.
- Special / Regular School Board Meeting – 4:30 p.m., February 8, 2021, ESC Board Room.

## VII. Superintendent's Report

- The District was awarded *Best Communities For Music Education* by the National Association of Music Merchants for the fourth year in a row.
- The District is working with Siouxland District Health to provide the COVID vaccine to employee, noting that 88% of District staff showed interest in getting the vaccine. The vaccine will be administered at the three high schools and is free to all staff. The vaccine should be available in late January or early February. Nurses will be offered the vaccine first and then help to administer the vaccine to others.
- It will be his recommendation to return to regular school on January 18.

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

### A. District's *Return-to-Learn Plan* - Dr. Paul Gausman

Dr. Buryanek shared recent COVID related staff and student data and how Consulting Teachers are being utilized to fill substitute shortages.

Kris Snavelly, SCEA President, asked if *At-Risk* funds could be utilized for nurses. She appreciated the improvements made to the Career Academy. She stated that self-care and safety for all staff is important. Staff members are burnt out and morale is low.

Dr. Gausman stated *At-Risk* funds cannot be utilized for nurses unless they are doing *At-Risk* related tasks, and only with students identified as at-risk.

President Alarcon-Flory stated the Board acknowledges the District's *Return-to-Learn Plan*.

### B. FY22 Spending Authority Update and General Fund Targeted Expenditures – Patty Blankenship

Director Greenwell shared information regarding charts he prepared related to School Taxable Valuations, Historical Property Tax Levy Rates, and Preliminary Views of Levy Rates.

President Alarcon-Flory stated the Board acknowledges the updated information regarding the District's FY22 spending authority projections and general fund targeted expenditures.

The Board took a 10-minute break.

**C. First Reading of Board Policies – Dr. Paul Gausman**

- 105 Assistance Animals **NEW**
- 400.1 Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics
- 505.14 Closed Campus
- 521.3 Interviews By Or On Behalf of Educational Agencies
- 603.9 Technology & Instructional Materials **NEW**
- 606.3 Animals in the Classroom **NEW**
- 803.2 Purchasing and Credit Card Use
- AR803.2A Using Federal Funds in Procurement Contracts **NEW**
- 904.0 Unmanned Aircraft – Drones
- AR907 District Operations During Public Emergencies

Director Colling moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to approve the above Board policies for first reading and acknowledge AR803.2A and AR907. Motion carried 7-0.

**D. First Reading of Board Policies – Dr. Paul Gausman**

- 602.9 Multicultural, Gender Fair Educational Opportunity

Director Albert moved and Director Greenwell seconded the motion to approve the above Board policy for first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**E. First Reading of Board Policies – Dr. Paul Gausman**

- 205.1 Compensation of Expenses

The Board, by consensus, agreed to send BP 205.1 back to the Policy Committee on January 19 for further review.

**IX. Adjourn**

Director Scarlett moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion carried 7-0, and the regular meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

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Perla Alarcon-Flory, President  
SCCSD Board of Directors

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Cynthia A. Lloyd, Secretary  
SCCSD Board of Directors