Sioux City Community School District  
Board of Education  
FY16 SCHOOL FUNDING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Sioux City Community School District serves over 14,300 students in the state of Iowa; and

WHEREAS the Sioux City Community School District is the fourth largest District in the state of Iowa; and

WHEREAS the Sioux City Community School District is a proud member of the Urban Education Network of Iowa and of the Iowa Association of School Boards; and

WHEREAS the legislature recently approved SF171 and SF172 that provide 1.25% supplemental state aid increase for school districts and Area Education Agencies for the fiscal year beginning July 1; and

WHEREAS the Legislature also approved HF666 which includes the provisions for an additional $55.7 million in one-time money for K-12 education; and

WHEREAS failure to set the FY16 supplemental state aid rate in a timely manner tied the hands of our School District as we worked to finalize our budget, staffing levels, and program offerings for the upcoming school year; and

WHEREAS the support of the Legislature to provide the additional $55.7 million in one-time funding is important to school districts to provide a revenue source to pay for planned one-time expenditures, there by relieving pressure on the overall general education budgets.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The Sioux City Community School District Board of Education asks Governor Branstad to quickly sign into law SF171 and SF172; and we strongly urge the Governor to retain the one-time funding of $55.7 million for school districts in HF666; and

While we share concern that the legislature once again failed to follow the law and act on the FY17 supplemental state aid, we recognize that the rate will revert to zero if these laws are not signed to be enacted.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The Sioux City Community School District will use one-time funds to reduce the negative impact to educational programs that results from insufficient supplemental state aid.

THEREFORE:

This Resolution is approved by the Sioux City Community School District Board of Education in support of providing adequate current funding for Iowa schools.

This Resolution adopted this 24th day of June, 2015.

Ayes: Directors: Alarcon, Flory, Gorski, Krysl, McTaggart, Speidel, Warnstadt

Nays: None

[Signatures of Board President and Superintendent with dates]