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I. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

President Krysl called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

Present: Directors Alarcon-Flory, Colling, Gleiser, Krysl, McTaggart, Saint and Warnstadt

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Warnstadt moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried 7 to 0.

IV. Good News Report(s): Perry Creek Elementary School

Amy Denney (Principal), Kim O'Shea (Assistant Principal), Consulting Teachers; Kathy Thode and Tina Brennan, 4th Grade Teachers; Maria Brand and Amy Oleson, and TAG Enrichment Specialist Rochelle Greigg assisted the students with their presentation regarding the implementation of Cluster Grouping for Talented and Gifted (TAG) students at all grade levels. Students wrote the script, created the presentation and directed the staging. Students shared why Cluster Grouping for TAG students has been so successful at Perry Creek Elementary. Through collaboration, students receive instruction they need throughout the day, every day.

Students: Computer Techs - Kaleb Dunne and Korben Christoffersen, Speakers – Keely Christoffersen, Max Kuehl, Will Bertrand, Jeovanni Ramirez Hanson, Jade Rippatoe, Cadence Arnold, Jack Hamstra, Elizabeth DePriest, Turner Joy, Cindy Tran and Jozefina Ramirez Hanson. Students Marcella Palmer and Aaron Palmersheim assisted with preparing the presentation but were unable to attend.

V. Special Recognition(s):

Dr. Gausman honored Ryan Dumkrieger (North High School Principal) as Iowa's Secondary Principal of the Year. Dr. Gausman presented Ryan with a token of appreciation.

VI. Citizen Input

Linda Santi, 3053 Myrtle St., spoke in favor of an International Baccalaureate (IB) program. She works for an organization that helps relocate folks from all over the world and believes an IB program would attract people to our District.

Donna Behrens, 3031 Summit St., expressed support for an IB program. She believes the program has the curriculum that speaks to the future of learning for our kids. She encouraged the Board to consider the program for elementary, middle and high school students as a comprehensive program.

Jeanna Lilly, 1404 Navaho Circle, shared support for an IB program. Students would benefit from this great program and she would love to see it in Sioux City Schools.

Bernie Scolaro, 940 Logan St., spoke on behalf of her colleagues and shared concerns about the potential pay cut for sixth period assignments at the middle school. She asked the Board to consider the impact this will have on teachers, their families and their lives.

Michael Lamoreux, 4900 Grant St., shared concerns regarding the District's decision to cut teacher sixth period assignment pay. He shared how the pay cut will personally affect him and his students. He encouraged the Board to find another way to balance the budget; one that does not negatively impact teachers or students.

Kristi Rice, 2515 S. Cedar St., thanked Ms. Alarcon-Flory and Mr. Saint for their support over the weekend at the March. She shared administrative salary data and encouraged the Board to make pay cuts from the top administrators.

Kathy Sandoz, 208 Frontier St., Sergeant Bluff, shared some of what she learned during a recent National Science Teachers Conference in Atlanta, GA. She encouraged the Board not to cut teacher salaries this year.

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, shared concerns with administrative costs, the PEP process, ACT scores, and introducing an IB program when the District cannot afford one. He complimented the Perry Creek Good News Report and encouraged the Board to implement what they are doing in all the other elementary and middle schools.

Wajeeha Mariam (NHS Student), 3009 Kensington Ct., believes teachers are the ones who shape the future of students and should not have to take a pay cut.

Jill Lyman (EMS Teacher), 1727 Hawthorne Ave., has taught a sixth period assignment for as long as she can remember. She shared what impact a pay cut will have on her personal life, the economy, etc., noting that moral in the District is at an all-time low.

Curt Fiechtner, 3316 Jennings St., shared concerns with the recent National School Walkout. He is not in favor of disrupting the education process for students who wish to participate and believes the District should focus on keeping students in the classrooms and focused on education.

Miyuki Nelson, 1935 Plum Creek Road, addressed the Sioux City Journal article. She has always wanted her kids to be challenged, engaged, and taken to their maximum. She would love for her kids to have the opportunity of an IB program. She asked the Board to ask themselves how they will help students who need challenged to *believe...achieve...succeed*. An IB program would tie well with our FutureReady and Career Academy programs. If we want students to stay in Sioux City, we have to support programs like IB. Students need something more challenging than just TAG.

Anne Kellogg, 3700 West Kings Hwy, expressed her interest in the IB program. An IB program does not just teach to the test. IB teaches critical thinking, world awareness, exposure to other cultures and understanding. She wants her kids in Sioux City.

Jeana Guy, 2202 Grandview Blvd., asked journalists not to quote her or put her on television. Her employer asked her to be careful of what she says to the Board. *Director McTaggart apologized for interrupting, but informed Ms. Guy there is no way to edit her out.* Her job is important to her family, but not as important as the teachers who teach her kids. She has no reservations with the concept of an IB program, but does have concern with the cost of implementation. She asked the Board how this fits into the budget when the District is cutting teacher pay.

Eena Collwell, 3810 Mohave Dr., shared support for an IB program, noting the program will bring lots of knowledge and openness to our students. She also supports teachers, noting they are under appreciated and under paid.

VII. Consent Action Item(s)

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to approve all consent action items. The motion carried 7 to 0.

- A.** Board Meeting Minutes from March 12, 2018 – Dr. Paul Gausman
- B.** Human Resources Report – Dr. Rita Vannatta
- C.** Finance Report(s) – Patty Blankenship

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, asked President Krysl why his request for monthly budgets of the different categories for spending has not been provided. He will request the same information for the 2019 budget. Mr. Krysl will work with Patty Blankenship and Cyndi Lloyd to resolve this matter.

VIII. Hearing(s)

- A.** North High School Lunchroom Expansion Project – Brian Fahrendholz

President Krysl stated notice was provided that a hearing would be held at 6:00 p.m., local time, at the Educational Service Center, 627 4th Street, Sioux City, Iowa, on the 26th day of March, 2018, to approve the plans, specifications, and estimated cost of \$190,000.00 from FEH Design of Sioux City, Iowa, for the North High School Lunchroom Expansion Project.

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

Director McTaggart moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to approve the plans, specifications, and estimated cost of \$190,000.00 for the North High School Lunchroom Expansion Project. After a roll call vote, the motion carried 7 to 0.

B. Resolution of Sale or Demolition of District Property for the New Hunt Elementary School Project – Brian Fahrendholz

President Krysl stated notice was provided that a hearing would be held at 6:00 p.m., local time, at the Educational Service Center, 627 4th Street, Sioux City, Iowa, on the 26th day of March, 2018, to receive public input on the sale of property owned by the District for removal or demolition.

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

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to approve the sale of property owned by the District for removal or demolition located at 1903 Jackson Street, 1909 Jackson Street, 1915-1921 Jackson Street, 1920 Nebraska Street, and 608-610 20th Street, Sioux City Iowa. After a roll call vote, the motion carried 7 to 0.

IX. Board Member Reports / Future Meetings

Director Saint:

- As a parent, he attended the International Baccalaureate informational meeting. He was intrigued by the program and looks forward to learning more.

Director Warnstadt:

- She has been gone on vacation and apologized to anyone who may have emailed her within the last 10 days.
- For those impressed by the presentation tonight, know that every elementary teacher in the District teaches 6½ periods every single day without any additional pay.

Director McTaggart:

- He was honored to help a local group give away free books to second graders at Bryant Elementary, and to watch students demonstrate learning.
- He enjoyed the opportunity to watch 25 people become new citizens in our country at West High School. He complimented the staff, administration and student body on a first class presentation.

Director Colling:

- He attended the Naturalization Ceremony and complimented the staff and students of West High. It was a very respectful, dignified and joyous ceremony.
- He attended the North High math department Professional Learning Community (PLC) today. He was impressed by their professionalism and devotion to do what is best for their students. On behalf of North High, he extended an invitation to any Board member who would like to visit classrooms or PLC groups.

Director Alarcon-Flory:

- She suggested moving *Citizen Input* to the end of Board meetings so the public and media will stay to listen to everything presented on the agenda.
- The District does its best to attract and retain good teachers and administrators.
- Equalization is hard for the Board. Elementary teachers do not receive the extra pay for sixth period assignments.
- The District is working hard to merge things together and reduce costs wherever possible.
- This is a great District and she cannot think of sending her kids anywhere else.
- She commended the East High Show Choir, Jazz, and Orchestra, and congratulated Olivia Tidwell.
- She attended Board Policy Committee and District Advisory Committee meetings.
- She attended Mr. Clark's class at North High School.
- She was honored to participate in the *March for Life* over the weekend, noting Directors Saint and Colling also participated.
- Besides being a Board member, she is a parent first.
- She asked Dr. Gausman to share what the District is doing in regards to safety and security.

Director Gleiser:

- He attended Board Policy Committee meeting where they discussed the policies that are listed on tonight's agenda.
- He thanked those who have reached out to him with open dialogue about a number of topics and issues being discussed.

Future Meetings are as follows:

- Preschool Initiative Oversight Committee – 1:30 p.m., March 28, 2018, Irving Preschool.
- Student Achievement Committee – Noon, April 9, 2018, ESC PD Room #105.
- Board Finance & Facilities Committee – 3:00 p.m., April 3, 2018, ESC Board Room.
- Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., April 9, 2018, ESC Board Room.
- Educational Equity Committee – 11:30 a.m., April 13, 2018, ESC Room #105.
- Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m., April 23, 2018, ESC Board Room.
- District Advisory Committee – 5:00 p.m., April 25, 2018, ESC Board Room.
- Educational Legislative Forum – 8:30 a.m., April 28, 2018, ESC Board Room.
- Sales Tax Finance Oversight Committee – 8:00 a.m., April 30, 2018, ESC Board Room.
- Board Policy Committee – 3:30 p.m., April 30, 2018, ESC Board Room.

NOTE: The April 28th Legislative Forum may be cancelled or rescheduled depending on how legislation progresses.

X. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Gausman:

- What the District is doing in regards to safety and security:
 - Chad Sheehan's *S.A.V.E. Yourself* training will be given to all administrators on April 4.
 - Immediately following, all Administrators will be expected to have professional development with their staff members.
 - Hosting "*What's My Role?*" community meetings on April 10 and 12.
 - Chad Sheehan and his team will provide a 2-hour comprehensive training and a 1-hour building specific training for all staff members prior to the start of next school year.

- Thanks to Rochelle Barnum for her work on the Naturalization Ceremony at West High School.
- Congratulations Siouxland Metros Hockey Team and Coach Dave Legree (O&M) for winning the National Championship.
- Congratulations to the North High team who presented *Disney's Little Mermaid*.
- Congratulations to the North High "Omega" Robotics team for winning Best in the Midwest.

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

A. First Reading of Board Policies – Dr. Paul Gausman

- 404.5 Professional Development
- 405.4 Tutoring
- 501.8 Within District Transfers
- 504.16 Custody of Native American Students
- 541 NCLB School Choice "DELETE"
- 603.11 Copyright Compliance
- 709.2 Transportation Insurance Program
- 710 Crisis Planning "NEW"

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to approve the above Board policies for first reading. The motion carried 7 to 0.

B. Hunt Elementary School Bid Package #1 - Site Improvements and Street Reconstruction Project – Brian Fahrendholz

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director McTaggart seconded the motion to approve the proposed plans, specifications, and estimated cost of \$1,400,000.00 for the Hunt Elementary School Bid Package #1 Site Improvements and Street Reconstruction Project, set a public hearing date, and publish 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 9th day of April, 2018. Plans and specifications may be reviewed in the Purchasing Manager's office located at the same address. The motion carried 7 to 0.

C. Hunt Elementary School Bid Package #2 – Geothermal Well Field Project – Brian Fahrendholz

Director Gleiser moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to approve the proposed plans, specifications, and estimated cost of \$454,000 for the Hunt Elementary School Bid Package #2 Geothermal Well Field Project, set a public hearing date, and publish 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 9th day of April, 2018. Plans and specifications may be reviewed in the Purchasing Manager's office located at the same address. The motion carried 7 to 0.

D. Lease Agreement Between the Sioux City Community School District and First United Methodist Church for Parking at the New Hunt Elementary School – Brian Fahrendholz

Director Warnstadt moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to approve the Lease Agreement between the Sioux City Community School District and First United Methodist Church for parking at the new Hunt Elementary School for \$1 for a 20-year term which can be renewed for up to 6 additional 20-year terms, set a public hearing date, and publish 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 9th day of April, 2018. The lease may be reviewed in the Purchasing Manager's office located at the same address. The motion carried 7 to 0.

E. FY19 Annual Roof Repairs, Maintenance, and Replacement Projects – Brian Fahrendholz

Director Colling moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to accept the low bid for North High School and East Middle School, from Winkler Roofing, Inc. of Sioux City, Iowa, in the total bid amount of \$123,625.00. The motion carried 7 to 0.

F. Benefit Plan Update – Dr. Rita Vannatta

Director Gleiser moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to approve the recommendations from the insurance committee to be effective 7/1/2018. The motion carried 7 to 0.

Dan Greenwell, 11 West Kings Hwy, asked Dr. Vannatta if the District every considered being self-insured.

G. \$7,375,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018A – 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 Saint moved and Director McTaggart seconded the motion to adopt the resolutions and execute the documents. The motion carried 7 to 0.

H. FY19 Budget Adjustment Resolution – Patty Blankenship

Director McTaggart moved and Director Gleiser seconded the motion to RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Sioux City Community School District, will levy property tax for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under section 257.14 of the Iowa Code. The motion carried 7 to 0.

Director Alarcon-Flory asked Dr. Gausman for information regarding the scheduled TAG Focus Groups.

Dave Bitlock, K12 *Insight*, will gather feedback from parents regarding the TAG program during 4 scheduled session this week.

XII. Adjourn

Director Alarcon-Flory moved and Director Warnstadt seconded the motion to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried 7 to 0, and the regular meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.

Michael J. Krysl, President
SCCSD Board of Directors

Cynthia A. Lloyd, Secretary
SCCSD Board of Directors