

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MARCH 12, 2007

The Board of the Davenport Community School District met in open session for a Regular Meeting on Monday, March 12, 2007, pursuant to law. The meeting was held in the Jim Hester Board Room at the Administration Service Center, 1606 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa, in said district. Prior to the Regular Meeting, the Board met for an Exempt Session on Negotiations starting at 5:05 PM, followed by a Closed Session for Evaluation of the Superintendent from 6:00 PM until 6:50 PM. President Zamora called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

On roll call the following board members were present for the Regular Meeting: President Patt Zamora; Directors Nikki De Fauw, Ralph Johanson, Ken Krumwiede, Larry Roberson, and Tim Tupper. Absent from the Regular Meeting: Director Richard Clewell. Superintendent Julio Almanza and other administrators were present for the meetings. Student board members attending the Regular Meeting included Megan Costello from West High and Steven Arvanis from North High.

EXEMPT SESSION

EXEMPT SESSION: Negotiation Strategy (5:05 PM)

The Board met for an Exempt Session to conduct a strategy meeting of a public employer for employees covered by a bargaining agreement, as provided in Chapter 20.17(3), Code of Iowa. The meeting started at 5:05 PM in the Executive Conference Room and ended at 5:55 PM.

CLOSED SESSION -- EVALUATION

CLOSED SESSION: Superintendent's Evaluation (6:00 PM)

MOTION: Director Tupper moved the Board hold a closed session as provided in section 21.5(l) (i) of the open meetings law to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose performance is being considered to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation, as that individual has requested a closed session. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows. Ayes: Tupper, Roberson, Clewell, De Fauw, Johanson, Krumwiede, and Zamora. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board met in the Executive Conference Room starting at 6:00 PM. Superintendent Julio Almanza attended the evaluation session with the Board.

By consensus the Board returned to Open Session at 6:50 PM. They took a brief recess prior to the Regular Meeting.

7:05 PM

REGULAR MEETING

BOARD GOAL, OBJECTIVES, PRIORITIES 2006-2007

The goal statement was read: "The Davenport School Board will actively support the efforts of the superintendent, district, staff, and families to ensure continuous student achievement for all students."

PUBLIC HEARING
ON TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE
ADJACENT TO WEST HIGH SCHOOL
FOR STREET WIDENING PURPOSES

I. PUBLIC HEARING – TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE FOR STREET WIDENING

President Zamora explained the Board would now conduct a public hearing on Monday, March 12, 2007 at 7:00 PM in the Jim Hester Board Room of the Administration Service Center, 1606 Brady Street, for the purpose of considering the transfer of certain described real estate located on Locust Street adjacent to West High School in Davenport, Iowa to the City of Davenport for \$1 for the purpose of widening Locust Street. She said the Notice of the Public Hearing on this offer was published in the *Quad City Times* on Thursday, March 1, 2007 with regard to the transfer of the real estate described. Comments in favor of or in opposition to the transfer could be made at the public hearing or filed in writing with the Board Secretary. There were no comments filed or any requests to speak to this matter.

President Zamora said the Board would consider action regarding the transfer of real estate pursuant to terms and conditions of the agreements. The Board will authorize execution and delivery of documents as needed.

RECOGNITIONS

II. RECOGNITIONS**A. JEFFERSON-EDISON SCHOOL * *Principal Bob McGarry***

Principal Bob McGarry explained how the fifth grade students at Jefferson-Edison School would celebrate "PI DAY" on Wednesday, March 14, 2007. A group of students demonstrated what "PI" meant and why it was being honored with a celebration on the particular day of "3.14". Students representing Jefferson/Edison who reported to the Board were: **Dakota Anderson, David Butler, Jackie Haddenhan, Aimara Leon, Alondra Marquez, and Tylar Buck**. The fifth grade teachers assisting the students were **Jan Stewart, Abel Zertuche, and Andy VanSpeybroeck**.

President Zamora thanked the children and encouraged them to consider becoming student board members when they become high school students like Megan and Steven. Director Krumwiede complimented Jefferson/Edison students for being so engaged in their school work and modeling excellent behavior. They do an outstanding job of greeting visitors and making people feel comfortable in their building. President Zamora also added she loved the way visitors are greeted at Jefferson.

B. WOOD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL * *Principal Rich Herrig*

Principal Herrig recognized the students and staff from Wood Intermediate School for their work with their reading campaign. He introduced **Kelly Dunn**, a Language Arts teacher at Wood. Mr. Herrig explained a video was produced and would be seen by the Board showing 25 students at Wood taking advantage of some of the initiatives being used to advance literacy at Wood Intermediate. Included in the presentation were experiences and data demonstrating participation in the Read-A-Million Words Campaign, a Making Middle Grades Work initiative. The Board also received materials on the Wood Reads wristband program, supporting programs, and a copy of the school newsletter.

COMMUNICATIONS

III. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Wednesday, March 14, 3:45 PM, Legislative Advocacy Committee, Administration Service Center, Conference Room B
- B. Thursday, March 15, 4 to 6:00 PM, Teacher Constituency Workshop sponsored by Legislative Advocacy Committee, Administration Service Center, Jim Hester Board Room
- C. Monday, March 19, 3:45 PM, Board Policy Committee, Administration Service Center, Executive Conference Room third floor
- D. Monday, March 26, 7:00 PM, Regular Board Meeting, Administration Service Center, Jim Hester Board Room
- E. Tuesday, March 27, PPEL Election Day
- F. Saturday, March 31, 10 AM, Legislators Forum, St. Ambrose University, Rogalski Center
- G. Open Forum

Mary Regan, 4420 Canterbury Lane, Davenport, spoke about the proposed expansion at North High. The Boosters expressed support for this type of planning to update facilities and make essential improvements. The North Boosters have a global vision including the whole district. They believe all students deserve the best facilities possible. They supported improvements at Central and West; and they feel it is time to act on the promised renovations at North. Mrs. Regan spoke about locker rooms, storage, and expansion of the weight room, plus the addition of classrooms. She visited facilities in other districts and was in awe of what she saw provided. Her concern was with safety and preventing injuries to students because of lack of space between equipment. Renovations would enhance the time students had to practice and would maximize the work out sessions. She hoped the Board would support and approve the proposed gym expansion and begin construction soon.

CONSENT AGENDA

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

To conserve time and focus attention on non-routine matters on the agenda, the Board considered a number of items grouped together as a Consent Agenda, all items to be approved in one motion.

A. Reading of the Minutes of the Last Regular & Intervening Meetings

The minutes from the last regular board meeting and intervening meetings were presented for approval as follows: Regular Board Meeting on February 26, 2007 and Committee of the Whole Meeting March 5, 2007.

B. Secretary's Monthly Financial Report

It was recommended the Secretary's monthly report of receipts and disbursements of the various funds for the period ending January 31, 2007 be approved.

C. Personnel: Appointments, Resignations, Etc.

RETIREMENTS: CERTIFICATED

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| Ertel, Thomas | Effective: End of 2006-2007 school year |
| Special Ed | Years of Service: 27 yrs 10 mos |
| Williams Intermediate | |

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| Peters, Beth | Effective: February 28, 2007 |
| Kindergarten | Years of Service: 18 yrs 6 mos |
| Hayes Elementary | |

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| Velando, Ricardo | Effective: End of 2006-2007 school year |
| Special Ed | Years of Service: 31 yrs 10 mos |
| Williams Intermediate | |

RETURN FROM LEAVES OF ABSENCE: CERTIFICATED

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| Nice, Kathryn | Effective: January 17, 2007 – March 9, 2007 |
| Language Arts | |
| West High | |

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

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|-------------------|------------|
| Olsen, James | 14% |
| Varsity Wrestling | \$3,572.00 |
| West High | |

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| Paul, Jennifer | 10% |
| Girls' Assistant Varsity Track | \$2,552.00 |
| North High | |

APPOINTMENTS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

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| Conner, Jacob | 10% |
| Boys' Assistant Varsity Track | \$2,552.00 |
| North High | |
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| Hanson, Tara | 5% |
| Assistant Intermediate Co-ed Track | \$1,276.00 |
| Wood Intermediate | |
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| Paul, Jennifer | 14% |
| Girls' Varsity Track | \$3,572.00 |
| North High | |
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| Washam, Ronald | 5% |
| Girls' Assistant Varsity Golf | \$1,276.00 |
| Central High | |

SALARY ADJUSTMENTS: CERTIFICATED

| LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | SCHOOL | STEP | FROM | TO | SALARY |
|--------------|-------------|------------------|------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Bates | Lori | McKinley | 15 | M.S. +15 | M.S. +30 | \$51,022.00 |
| Bendixen | Natalie | Buffalo | 3 | B.S. | B.S.+15 | \$30,090.00 |
| Bowrey | Amanda | Wood | 5 | B.S.+15 | M.S. | \$35,323.00 |
| Bradford | William | Central | 6 | M.A. | M.A. + 15 | \$37,939.00 |
| Brandstetter | Daniel | Lincoln | 13 | M.S. | M.S.+15 | \$47,097.00 |
| Burkhart | Susan | Williams | 23 | M.S.+15 | M.S.+30 | \$53,638.00 |
| Comstock | Sara | Buffalo | 12 | B.A.+15 | M.Ed. | \$44,481.00 |
| Cutkomp | McKenzie | Fillmore | 2 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$28,782.00 |
| DeRoin | Debra | Garfield/Jackson | 11 | M.Ed.+15 | M.Ed.+30 | \$45,789.00 |
| Dude | David | Central | 12 | B.A.+15 | M.A. | \$44,481.00 |
| Guy | Corri | Wilson | 6 | M.S. | M.S.+15 | \$37,939.00 |
| Haas | Angela | Lincoln | 3 | B.A.+15 | M.S. | \$32,706.00 |
| Hall | Christopher | North | 3 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$30,090.00 |
| Hall | Deborah | West | 4 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$31,398.00 |
| Hassig | Matthew | West | 10 | M.S. | M.S. +15 | \$43,172.00 |
| Hittenmiller | Amber | North | 2 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$28,782.00 |
| Huggins | Kristin | Young | 2 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$28,782.00 |

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| Jay | Jennifer | Fillmore | 6 | B.S. | M.S. | \$36,631.0 0 |
| Jones | Chad | Young | 2 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$28,782.0 0 |
| Kerres | Kelly | Walcott | 4 | B.S.+15 | M.S. | \$34,015.0 0 |
| Kincaid | Marci | Jackson | 3 | B.S. +15 | M.S. | \$32,706.0 0 |
| Nelson | Staci | Sudlow | 6 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$34,015.0 0 |
| Oliver | Scarlet | Jefferson | 9 | B.A.+15 | M.S. | \$40,556.0 0 |
| Rios | Wendy | Sudlow | 26 | M.A.+15 | M.A.+30 | \$54,947.0 0 |
| Roberts | Lisa | CV Hoover | 12 | B.S.+15 | M.S. | \$51,694.1 7 |
| Walker-Sallis | Jamie | Buchanan | 12 | M.Ed. | M.Ed.+1 5 | \$45,789.0 0 |
| Wilkins (.5) | Melanie | Washington | 11 | B.A. | B.A.+15 | \$20,278.0 0 |
| Woolley | Rea-Eleene | Walcott Int | 10 | B.A.+15 | M.A. | \$41,864.0 0 |

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CLASSIFIED

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| DeLaCruz, Brenda Executive Administrative Assistant Administration Service Center | Effective: March 15, 2007 Years of Service: 9 yrs 6 mos |
| Paulsen, Amy Food Service Cashier Wood Intermediate | Effective: March 16, 2007 Years of Service: 2 mos |
| Perreault, Albert LIS Technician II Administration Service Center | Effective: March 9, 2007 Years of Service: 3 yrs 6 mos Reason: Other District Employment |
| Smyser, Tracy Food Service Cashier West High | Effective: March 13, 2007 Years of Service: 6 mos |
| Thissen, Greg Para Educator Young Intermediate | Effective: March 5, 2007 Years of Service: 4 mos |

LEAVES OF ABSENCE: CLASSIFIED

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| Stald, Laurie Para Educator Sudlow Intermediate | Effective: February 12, 2007 – April 21, 2007 |
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APPOINTMENTS: CLASSIFIED

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| Holst, Erin Para Educator Lincoln Academy | Effective: March 19, 2007 Salary: \$11.25/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day |
| Kahley, Colleen Para Educator Hayes Elementary | Effective: February 28, 2007 Salary: \$8.14/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day |
| Medrano, Maria Para Educator Jefferson Elementary | Effective: March 5, 2007 Salary: \$8.14/hr Hours: 7.0 hrs/day |
| Nichols, Penny Para Educator Wood Intermediate | Effective: February 26, 2007 Salary: \$7.79/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day |
| Perreault, Albert Network Administrator ASC | Effective: March 12, 2007 Salary: \$16.34/hr Hours: 8hr/day |

Porter, Rhonda
Para Educator
Lincoln Academy

Effective: March 8, 2007
Salary: \$11.25/hr
Hours: 6.5 hrs/day

Posey, Amanda
Food Service Cashier I
West High

Effective: March 2, 2007
Salary: \$7.81/hr
Hours: 2.5 hrs/day

* Not a Teacher

** Guest Teacher

*** Not a Replacement

MOTION: Director Roberson moved the Board accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Director Tupper seconded the motion.

The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows. Ayes: Roberson, Tupper, De Fauw, Johanson, Krumwiede, and Zamora. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

V. APPROVAL OF BILLS

A resolution was presented by the administration for adoption of the bills.

MOTION: Director Roberson moved the Board approve the following: "Resolved all claims presented to the Board having been duly certified as correct by the Secretary, and reviewed by the administration, Board Treasurer, and a board member, the same be and they are hereby audited and allowed as just claims and warrants drawn on the Treasury for the several amounts. Further Resolved, the payment of claims and salaries be approved as presented." Director Krumwiede seconded the motion.

There was a question about the need to change board policy regarding procedures for reviewing checks. President Zamora said they were working on the review procedures and what we are currently doing. She will bring back more information for the April 10th meeting. Director Roberson helped with the review of bills for the last two board meetings.

The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows. Ayes: Roberson, Krumwiede, Tupper, De Fauw, Johanson, and Zamora. The motion carried unanimously.

OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

VI. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

A. BOARD GOAL & EVALUATION WORKSHOP APRIL 16

MOTION: Director Tupper moved the Board hold a Board Goal and Evaluation Workshop on Monday, April 16, 2007 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM at the Administration Service Center, in the Jim Hester Board Room. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows. Ayes: Tupper, De Fauw, Krumwiede, Roberson, Johanson, and Zamora. The motion carried unanimously.

B. RESOLUTION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE ON WEST LOCUST STREET

Following the public hearing at the beginning of the meeting, the Board took action on a resolution for the sale of real estate to the City of Davenport for property located on Locust Street adjacent to West High in Davenport for the purposes of widening Locust Street adjacent to West High School.

MOTION: Director Tupper moved the approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Davenport Community School District is the owner of certain real estate located at 3505 West Locust Street in the City of Davenport, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the Davenport Community School District is agreeable to the acquisition of property described in Exhibit A for a Permanent Right-of-Way and temporary easement to the City of Davenport and has held a public hearing on the proposed matter pursuant to Iowa Code § 297.22.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Davenport Community School District in the Counties of Scott and Muscatine, State of Iowa, hereby adopts the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the Davenport Community School District in the Counties of Scott and Muscatine, State of Iowa, shall convey the estate more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto to the City of Davenport for the consideration of the sum of One and no/100 Dollars (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration and shall execute and deliver a Quit Claim Deed with respect thereto.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the President and Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver a Quit Claim Deed to the City of Davenport conveying the real estate interests described therein and are further authorized to take such other actions as are necessary or desirable to complete the transaction.

Director Roberson seconded the motion.

The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows. Ayes: Tupper, Roberson, Johanson, De Fauw, Krumwiede, and Zamora. The motion carried unanimously. (A copy of the resolution and Exhibit A of legal description will be included in the minutes of record.)

C. RATE CHANGES--BREAKFAST & LUNCH FEES; USE OF FACILITIES; PAID CONDITIONAL BUSING

The administration presented recommendations for rate increases in three areas as outlined due to increases in our costs for services.

1. Food served in the school lunch and breakfast programs
2. Use of school district facilities
3. Paid conditional passes for bus transportation

MOTION: Director Krumwiede moved the Board approve the administration’s recommendation for increases in the fees for food service breakfast and lunch programs; increases in fees for the use of school district facilities; and the increases in paid conditional passes for bus transportation as outlined. Director Tupper seconded the motion.

President Zamora asked for the lunch and breakfast prices increases to be read for the record. The increases in rates are as follows:

LUNCH PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

- 10 cent increase for elementary, intermediate schools, & premium menus at high schools
- 15 cent increase for high school
- 25 cent increase for adults at the elementary and secondary levels

| | Current Price | Change | New Price |
|----------------------------|---------------|--------|-----------|
| Elementary School | \$ 1.50 | + .10 | \$ 1.60 |
| Intermediate School | 1.75 | + .10 | 1.85 |
| High School | 1.85 | + .15 | 2.00 |
| High School, Premium Menus | 2.15 | + .10 | 2.25 |
| Adult, elementary | 2.50 | + .25 | 2.75 |
| Adult, secondary | 2.75 | + .25 | 3.00 |

BREAKFAST PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

- 10 cent increase at elementary, intermediate, and high school levels
- 25 cent increase for adults at all buildings

| | Current Price | Change | New Price |
|---------------------|---------------|--------|-----------|
| Elementary School | \$.75 | + .10 | \$.85 |
| Intermediate School | 1.00 | + .10 | 1.10 |
| High School | 1.00 | + .10 | 1.10 |
| Adults, all | 1.25 | + .25 | 1.50 |

BUILDING USAGE FEES

To be listed in Adm. Regulation 103.11A for 2007-2008; a majority of fees will increase by 5% and a couple of fees will increase more than 5% as listed. (A copy of the fee schedule will be included for the minute of record.)

PAID CONDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION BUS FEES

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| First child | \$352 |
| Second child | \$252 |
| Third child | \$152 |

ACTION: The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows. Ayes: Krumwiede, Tupper, Roberson, De Fauw, Johanson, and Zamora. The motion carried unanimously.

D. BID #557 – SCIENCE ROOM RENOVATIONS AT WEST HIGH/PUBLIC HEARING

The administration recommended approval of the lowest responsible Bid #557.

MOTION: Director Tupper moved the Board approve the administration's recommendation for the lowest responsible Bid #557 received from Precision Builders, Inc. in LeClaire, IA in the amount of \$1,060,000 for the science room renovations at West High School. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

The Board conducted a public hearing on Bid #557 for science rooms at West High. No one came forth to be heard. The public hearing was declared closed. Director Tupper asked Mr. Good to address the budget estimate and why these bids went over. Mr. Good clarified the budget for the total project was greater and the mechanics on this particular work came in higher which made the difference. The administration was comfortable with the bids received for this work. The total budget was \$1.3 million.

The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows. Ayes: Tupper, Roberson, Krumwiede, De Fauw, Johanson, and Zamora. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS**VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS****A. TEXTBOOK ADOPTIONS FOR 2007-2008**

Juli Staszewski and Teresa Bechen presented information regarding the recommendations for textbook adoptions for various curriculum areas for the 2007-2008 school year. Copies of the textbooks and other materials were shown and will be available for further review in the Curriculum Office during the next two weeks. There was a revised top sheet given to the Board showing the total projected costs for the textbook adoptions to be approximately \$388,753. The list of books will be shown in the minutes of record and will cover adoptions for visual basics, C++ programming, wood processing, intermediate food, interior design, architecture drafting, basic and advanced auto, engineering, intermediate health, English, literature, pre calculus, consumer math, physical science, earth materials, 6, 7, and 8 grade science, 6 grade social studies, economics, and word processing and elementary keyboarding.

Mrs. Staszewski talked about the process used for examination of the materials, reviews, selection, and recommendations. She said the materials will challenge students at both ends of the ability levels. The material is very rigorous and ideas are presented differently to meet student needs. All the books will be fully implemented and teachers are receiving training. The selection committees included teachers, and other representatives such as parents and students. We addressed standards and benchmarks, review targets, and assessment in the materials. We used a criteria sheet with a draft and looked at all the factors before making a decision. Mrs. Staszewski addressed questions from Director Johanson on the written curriculum, textbooks, supplemental materials, and lessons taught. There are guides the teachers use and end of course assessments to help staff see improvements made by students. We have a variety of meetings to follow through with training and questions the teachers may have on implementation.

B. RESOLUTION FOR MARKET FACTOR PAY

Linda McClurg was available to answer questions from the Board about developing a resolution to adopt an outline of criteria they want used in allocating money appropriated from the State under the market factor incentive pay legislation. Mrs. McClurg explained how the Board has the sole discretion to determine use and to award funds to supplement salary of teachers. The resolution should include options to provide the superintendent with the discretion for distribution of the funds and how the bonus payments should be used. There were a number of questions about recruitment history and areas that would be most impacted with this additional funding. Mrs. McClurg talked about Spanish, special education, and other shortage areas. The money is for three years and is \$115,000 for the 2007 year. There are restrictions on how to use the money but we can use for recruiting incentives, moving expenses, tuition for teachers to become certified. It is supplemental money only. We can use to attract teachers to come to our district. This is not on the salary schedule but is separate money for a period of time. It can be used for recruitment or retention in shortage areas.

Mrs. McClurg explained things affecting IPERS and other qualifications for use of the money. Areas that might need to be considered will be in the subjects of special education, industrial technology, family and consumer science, and Spanish. It depends on the content and the time vacancies happen to occur. President Zamora asked if the money was available to target diversity. Mrs. McClurg said this issue would need to be addressed with IASB or through our legal council because the courts are unclear on establishing this funding for diversity reasons.

Director Tupper asked about the use of the money for schools having a higher turnover and maybe getting more experienced teachers. Mrs. McClurg said one district was using the money for hard to fill schools; we can address concerns we have in recruitment of personnel. The superintendent talked about identifying needs at buildings and creating incentives for recruiting teachers to fill the needs at schools. This needs to benefit our students and we can look at areas such as literacy at the secondary level and getting teachers certified in certain levels. This discussion helps the administration learn of the Board's suggestions they want considered and areas that might require legal review before we develop a resolution. President Zamora suggested the Board discuss this further at the Committee of the Whole in May.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND BOARD REPORTS

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE & INSTRUCTIONAL REPORTS/BOARD REQUESTS

Vice President Roberson thanked members of the textbook adoption committees for their work and encouraged parents and students to visit the Administration Service Center and look at the adoptions being considered for a variety of courses next year. We need buy-in by the community in what is being taught in our schools and this is a great opportunity to look at our books. He said the Board hopes to support the administration as they work on this type of curriculum development and improving student achievement. He also asked parents to visit their schools and see what good things were happening in the buildings.

Director Krumwiede reminded people of the Legislative Advocacy Committee workshop for teachers on March 15 at 4:00 at the Administration Service Center, in the Jim Hester Board Room. We will meet until about 5:45 PM because at 6:00 there is an ICN meeting at the AEA addressing advocacy through the IASB.

Superintendent Almanza announced that his assistant, Brenda DeLaCruz was moving and her final day at the district was on March 14th. He hoped people would stop by and thank her for almost ten years of service. Everyone wished Brenda and her family success in their new location.

IX. BOARD REPORTS

President Zamora thanked the student board members for attending and asked if they had any questions for the Board or wanted to report anything from their schools.

There were additional comments about elementary schools having young artist displays from March 10 to 25 at the Figge Museum and what a great opportunity this was for the public to see the talent of these students.

President Zamora commented everyone was very proud of the Central High Team with the Mac Conference. They didn't get to advance after that but we look forward to them doing even better next year. She noted that Director Clewell was at the Show Choir event tonight.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Director Roberson moved the Board adjourn. Director Tupper seconded the motion. By consensus all board members agreed to adjourn.

President Zamora declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Board Secretary, Linda Smith Kortemeyer