

**DAVENPORT COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
DAVENPORT SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATION SERVICE CENTER  
JIM HESTER BOARD ROOM  
Administration Service Center  
1606 BRADY STREET  
DAVENPORT, IOWA 52803

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2009**  
**7:00 PM**

The Board of the Davenport Community School District in the counties of Scott and Muscatine met in open session for their Regular Board Meeting on Monday, August 24, 2009, 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. President Patt Zamora called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The following board members were present: President Patt Zamora; Directors Richard Clewell; Nikki DeFauw, Ken Krumwiede, Larry Roberson, Tim Tupper and Ralph Johanson. Other administrators were present for the meeting.

**BOARD VISION STATEMENT**

Director Clewell read the board vision statement: "Education that challenges conventional thinking, prepares all students to compete in a global society, and inspires our students, parents, staff, and community to answer the question-*what if?*"

**I. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. September 2 @ 3:45, Legislative Advocacy Committee Meeting
- B. September 3 @ 6:30, School Board Candidate Forum-sponsored by United Neighbors and the NAACP-808 Harrison St., Davenport
- C. September 7, Labor Day (No Committee of the Whole Meeting)
- D. September 8, School Board Election
- E. September 9 @ 3:45, Board Policy Committee Meeting
- F. September 14 @ 7:00 PM, Organizational Board Meeting
- G. Open Forum for Community Input-No one requested time to speak at Open Forum

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

To conserve time and focus attention on non-routine matters on the agenda, the Board will consider 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 and Intervening Meetings**

The minutes from the following meetings will be presented for approval as follows:  
August 10, 2009 (Regular Meeting)

**B. Personnel: Appointments, Resignations, Retirements, Leaves, Etc.**

APPOINTMENTS: CERTIFICATED

Case, Thomas Physical Education Buchanan Elementary	Degree: B.A. – Step 10 Effective: August 11, 2009 Salary: \$42,020.00 prorated to \$39,154.70 for the remaining 181 days of the school year
DeLaere, Sara Preschool – Floater CV Sites	Degree: B.A. – Step 8 Effective: August 12, 2009 Salary: \$39,274.05 for 195/215 days
Foster, Olga ESL Wilson/Satellite Schools	Degree: M.A. – Step 1 Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: \$31,740.00
Hoogerwerf, Mindy Reading Recovery (.5) Garfield Elementary	Degree: M.S. – Step 11 Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: \$22,770.00
Lamer, Justin ESL West High	Degree: B.A. – Step 1 Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: \$27,600.00
Meyerholz, Jill Special Education Smart Intermediate	Degree: B.A. – Step 1 Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: \$27,600.00
Patzner, Chad Math North High	Degree: B.A. – Step 1 Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: \$27,600.00
Wallace, Shelley Special Education KCAE	Degree: B.A. – Step 7 Effective: August 20, 2009 Salary: \$35,880.00 prorated to \$35,298.16 for the remaining 182 days of the school year

CORRECTION TO 7/13/09 BOARD MINUTES

Purcell, Joseph Computer Technology Smart Intermediate	Degree: M.A. – <del>Step 5</del> <b>Step 7</b> Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: <del>\$37,260.00</del> <b>\$40,020.00</b>
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APPOINTMENTS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

Appel, Tara Teacher-In-Charge (.5) Buchanan	15% \$2,021.50
Arnold, Julie Bowling West High	5% \$1,348.00
Arnold, Julie 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball West High	8% \$2,156.00
Behmetuik, Scott Assistant 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Football Central High	8% \$2,156.00

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Birch, Theresa Flag Line Instructor Central High	7% \$1,887.00
Ciccotelli, Gary Intermediate Band - 2 Williams Intermediate	6% \$1,617.00
Cross, Darryl Boys' 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Williams Intermediate	7% \$1,887.00
Keeney, Verne Varsity Volleyball West High	25% \$6,738.00
Kuttler, Steve Boys' Assistant Varsity Golf Central High	5% \$1,348.00
Mutum, John Teacher-In-Charge (.5) Buchanan Elementary	15% \$2,021.50
Olsen, James 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Wrestling Walcott Intermediate	7% \$1,887.00
Olsen, James 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Wrestling Walcott Intermediate	7% \$1,887.00
Seals, Rebecca Assistant Varsity Volleyball Central High	12% \$3,234.00
Werner, Janna Vocal Music Hayes Elementary	5% \$1,348.00

APPOINTMENTS: CLASSIFIED

Arnold, Julie Para Educator ASC – District Work Experience Para	Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 6.5 hrs/day
Cravens, Steven Work Experience Liaison ASC	Effective: August 17, 2009 Salary: \$11.19/hr Hours: 7.0 hrs/day
Frandsen, Renea Para Educator ASC – District Job Coach	Effective: August 20, 2009 Salary: \$8.94/hr Hours: 7.0 hrs/day
Jensen, Erika Para Educator Young Intermediate	Effective: August 20, 2009 Salary: \$12.15 Hours: 6.5 hrs/day

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Milton, Jennifer  
Food Service Worker  
Fillmore Elementary  
Effective: August 17, 2009  
Salary: \$8.60/hr  
Hours: 3.0 hrs/day

Pugh, Patricia  
Work Experience Liaison  
ASC  
Effective: August 11, 2009  
Salary: \$11.19/hr  
Hours: 7.0 hrs/day

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS

DeKalb, Michelle  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball  
Williams Intermediate  
8%  
\$2,156.00

Eskildsen, Ann  
Sr High Cheerleading  
West High  
19%  
\$5,121.00

Fraker, Debra  
Intermediate Band - 2  
Williams Intermediate  
6%  
\$1,617.00

Hill, Thomas  
Varsity Softball  
Central High  
25%  
\$6,738.00

Klingaman, Sarah  
Assistant Varsity Softball  
Central High  
14%  
\$3,773.00

Loose, Steven  
Sophomore Softball  
Central High  
10%  
\$2,695.00

Morford, Amanda  
Assistant Sr High Cheerleading  
Central High  
10%  
\$2,695.00

Pena, Karenmarie  
Assistant Sophomore Softball  
Central High  
7%  
\$1,887.00

Seals, Rebecca  
9<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball  
Central High  
8%  
\$2,156.00

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS: CLASSIFIED

Gibson, Kristi  
Food Service Cashier II  
Walcott  
Effective: August 11, 2009  
Years of Service: 3 mos

Harris, Ricardo  
Student Services Facilitator  
Young Intermediate  
Effective: August 14, 2009  
Years of Service: 3 yrs 8 mos

Lemos, Ivone  
Para Educator  
Children's Village West  
Effective: August 25, 2009  
Years of Service: 11 mos

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Pugh, Patricia  
Para Educator  
Smart Intermediate

Effective: August 7, 2009  
Years of Service: 5 yrs 9 mos  
Reason: Other District Employment

Russell, Danielle  
Para Educator  
KCAE

Effective: August 5, 2009  
Years of Service: 5 mos

Sharp, Jody  
Para Educator  
Eisenhower Elementary

Effective: August 14, 2009  
Years of Service: 22 yrs 11 mos

RETURN FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCE: CERTIFICATED

Barber, Wanda  
Special Education  
West High

Effective: August 17, 2009  
Salary: \$55,200.00

RETURNS FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCE: CLASSIFIED

Phillips, Ray  
Custodian  
West High

Effective: August 10, 2009  
Salary: \$12.74/hr  
Hours: 8.0 hrs/day

LEAVES OF ABSENCE: CLASSIFIED

Andrews, Jodi  
Para Educator  
Madison Elementary

Extension of Unpaid Leave of Absence  
Effective: June 10, 2009 – January 4, 2010

Firrell, Joy  
Para Educator

Extension of Unpaid Leave of Absence  
Effective: August 17, 2009 – start of 2010-11 school  
year

**MOTION:** Director Krumwiede moved the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Director Clewell seconded the motion.

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

**III. APPROVAL OF BILLS**

A resolution was recommended by the Administration for adoption of the bills from the bill listing periods: August 7, 2009 through August 19, 2009.

**MOTION:** Director Roberson moved the approval of the resolution: Resolved all claims presented to the Board having been duly certified as correct by the Secretary, reviewed by the administration and board members, 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 De Fauw seconded the motion.

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

**IV. OTHER ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION**

**A. 28E Agreement – Dual Enrollment**

The Superintendent recommends approval of the 28E Agreement between Eastern Iowa Community College District and Davenport District for Dual Enrollment.

**MOTION:** Director Clewell moved the Board approve the 28E Agreement between Eastern Iowa Community College District (Scott Community College) and Davenport Community School District to continue the concurrent enrollment program at the Davenport High Schools as outlined in the contract. Director De Fauw seconded the motion.

Director Johanson asked if the terms dual enrollment and concurrent enrollment were synonymous. Mr. Almanza stated they are and that the preferred term by the EICC is concurrent enrollment.

Director Tupper questioned the total cost of the program to the district. Mr. Almanza stated that costs are for books, using our teachers, and dependent upon the number of students enrolled in the program. He agreed to provide the board with more detailed information concerning cost. Director Tupper also asked how close the district is in being able to offer earning a full associates degree while in high school. Mr. Almanza said we aren't there yet, but as Mr. Almanza's understanding was that the board had directed the administration to continue to expand this program, it could happen in the future. He stated he would have to meet with EICC to determine the full requirements necessary. Director De Fauw agreed this is the direction the board wants to go, but thinks that all appropriate information should be given to the board before a final vote is expected. Director Roberson stated he would like to address this issue in more detail at a Committee of the Whole meeting in the future.

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

## **B. 28E Agreement-Student Built Homes**

The Superintendent recommends approval of the 28E Agreement between Eastern Iowa Community College District and the Davenport, North Scott and Pleasant Valley Community School Districts for Student Built Homes.

**MOTION:** Director Krumwiede moved the Board approve the 28E Agreement between Eastern Iowa Community College District and the Davenport, North Scott and Pleasant Valley Community School Districts for the Student Built Homes Program as outlined in the contract. Director Roberson seconded the motion.

Director Krumwiede commented that the Board of Realtors is very supportive of this program and that all the homes have been built in Davenport. He suggested considering a Parade of Homes to highlight this project.

Director Johanson noted that Tri-City Trades may not be as enthusiastic about the program since they haven't been given an opportunity to participate and that may be something that could be looked at in the future. He also asked who is Building and Trades Projects, Inc. and what representative would sign the contract on their behalf. Mr. Almanza stated that he will look into that and get back to the Board.

Director Johanson asked who received any profits received from the home. Mr. Almanza reported that the money is put back into the project for the purchase of the next project. He stated that a minimum of 25 students is desired for the program. Last year Davenport had approximately 11-15 students enrolled. The estimated cost per student is \$2000/\$2500 per year.

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

## **V. DISCUSSION**

### **A. Policy Committee Procedures**

President Zamora stated that the purpose of the discussion was to review the process for the Board to receive policy revisions from the Policy Committee before final approval.

Director Johanson, chairman of the Policy Committee, reported that the committee has met and is currently working on a written procedure to present to the Board. The current idea is that the committee is working on a one-year review plan which will be given to the Board. From that the Agenda Committee can add policy reviews to the meeting agendas as appropriate. The Policy Committee would then review those policies, send the reviews to the Board members, look at revision suggestions, make final corrections, and present to the board for approval at the next meeting. It was suggested that this topic be further discussed at a Committee of the Whole meeting and the final process be reviewed by the board.

## **B. Early Childhood Options Update**

A summary was presented to the Board by Mr. Almanza with the most current cost projections of the options available to the Board.

Director Roberson has an issue with providing the Parks and Recreation Department new space at our expense. Mr. Almanza reported that he will investigate further to see if this will be necessary as part of that particular plan. Board members also asked for further information concerning traffic concerns of each school site proposed and the problems with a multi-level facility. Mr. Almanza stated that each site has its own particular traffic issues, but that the sites listed all meet the overall requirements and meets the overall essential functions. The best choices may be Wilson and Williams. The general consensus is that purchasing new property would probably not be the best option. He will provide additional information asked for in the next packets.

## **VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS/BOARD REQUESTS**

### **A. Bank Confirmations/Depository Balances Report 2009-Board Treasurer**

Board Treasurer, Lynnette Carver, presented a report on bank confirmations and depository balances in accordance with Board Policy 304.02 Treasurer's Annual Report. She said information was collected regarding the District's designated depositories and the cash or investment balances were confirmed by the depositories showing balances at the end of the fiscal year as of June 30, 2009.

According to the policy Ms. Carver was required to make an annual report to the Board at a regular meeting in August. There were notes about how the process has been slightly revised. The auditors are now sending the confirmation notices and turning them over to the Treasurer to complete the report. All accounts were balanced and in accordance with figures shown on the financial report for the end of the fiscal year.

### **B. Truancy Officer Report**

Dr. O'Melia reported that Officer Cole was unavailable and she presented the information to the Board. She stated that the attendance policy has been included in the report for the Board and that administration was currently in the process of reviewing these policies. It is their intent to "tighten up" the policy and make sure that the schools are doing everything they can, as well as the district support people.

Director Roberson asked if more or less student contacts are desired. Dr. O'Melia reported that the fewer student contacts the better. She asked Gary Schroeder to answer any other questions the Board may have. He was asked to review the pyramid concept. He stated that the issues are addressed first at the attendance secretary level, then counselors, principals' secretaries, and family support liaison, before reaching himself or Officer Cole. They then try to work with the student to take personal responsibility for attendance and for parents to become involved. If that doesn't work they may have to take it to the court level. They try very hard to show the student the positive rather than negative outcomes.

Director Tupper commented that it appeared that the district was focusing on compulsory attendance age students and wondered if non-compulsory students shouldn't be included also. Dr. O'Melia agreed and stated that this is one of the areas to be addressed in the policy review, as that would reflect our goals.

## VII. **BOARD REPORTS**

Director Krumwiede wanted to remind everyone of the Tony Wagner event coming up in September and encouraged everyone to attend. Director Tupper commented that he is concerned that an event of this magnitude is unavailable to our teachers. President Zamora agreed.

Director Clewell reported that a previous Representative, Jamie Van Fossen, joined the last Legislative Advocacy Meeting to reflect on legislative issues. Senator Joe Seng has been invited to the next meeting.

### Board Request:

Director Krumwiede requested an update on class size and what steps are being taken to hold fast to Board policy on class size. Mr. Almanza stated that official enrollment ends October 1 so a report will be given after that time.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Director Clewell moved the Board adjourn. Director Krumwiede seconded the motion. By consensus all board members agreed.

President Zamora declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

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Lynnette Carver, Board Secretary/Treasurer