

September 12, 2011

The Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District in the County of Black Hawk, State of Iowa, met in regular session pursuant to the laws and rules of said Board at the Educational Support Center, 3809 Cedar Heights Dr., Cedar Falls, Iowa, at 5:45 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the President and the roll being called there were present Deon Senchina in the chair, and the following named Directors: Richard Vande Kieft, Joyce Coil, Jim Brown, Duane Hamilton, James Kenyon, and Susan Lantz. Others in attendance were: Dr. David Stoakes, Superintendent, Douglas Nefzger, Director of Business Affairs, Daniel Conrad, Director of Secondary Education and Pam Zeigler, Director of Elementary Education.

Mr. Conrad gave a tour of the new Educational Support Center including specific information on the Alternative High School, Transition Alliance Program, Behavioral Intervention Center and Informational Technology Services Center within the facility.

The Board recessed at 6:15 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 6:20 p.m. at Orchard Hill Elementary School. Orchard Hill Elementary Principal Kim Cross provided a tour of the remodeled classrooms at Orchard Hill Elementary School.

The Board recessed at 6:45 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 7:00 p.m. at the James L. Robinson Administration Center. In attendance were Mark Newton, Marsha Newton, Peggy Nicol and Emily Christensen.

Item No. 1 – Approval of the Following Consent Agenda Items:

Director Kenyon moved and Director Lantz seconded the motion to approve the following items:

1. The agenda of the September 12, 2011, Board of Education meeting
2. Approval of the August 22nd and 31st Board of Education minutes.
3. Approval of the bills as presented for payment as reviewed by Director Hamilton
4. Approval of Open Enrollment Requests
5. Approval of Human Resource Report
6. Approval of :
 - a. Kaio Church Lease
 - b. Auction Items for October 8, 2011 auction
 - c. Title I Budget

Open Enrollment Report

Kaitlyn K Bandy	9 th Grade
Current resident district:	Cedar Falls
District requested:	Waterloo
Effective date:	2011-2012 – C
Deana D Van Brocklin	12 th Grade
Current resident district:	Cedar Falls
District requested:	Wapsie Valley
Effective date:	2011-2012
Hope A Fisher	1 st Grade
Current resident district:	Hudson
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012

Kyle M Hatfield	7 th Grade
Current resident district:	Hudson
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012 – C
Caitlin McGowan	12 th Grade
Current resident district:	Hudson
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012
Xavier Lopez	10 th Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012
Hannah J Spratt	6 th Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012 – C
Samantha J Spratt	4 th Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012 – C
Jaesen U Warner	5 th Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012
Na’Jahn S Wright	1 st Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2011-2012 – C

Human Resources Report

**New Contracts - Recommended for Approval*

2011-12 School Year

Coach Contracts:

Steve Chidester	Peet Jr. High	Head 8 th Football	\$2,322
Daniel Hensing	Senior High	Asst Golf Coach	\$1,452
John Joachim	Holmes	Head 9 th Basketball Mens	\$2,613
John Joachim	Peet	Asst 8 th Grade Football	\$1,452
Hilary Weber	Senior High	Asst Volleyball Coach (.50 FTE)	\$1,597

Directors voting in favor of the motion: Vande Kieft, Brown, Coil, Lantz, Kenyon, Hamilton and Senchina. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 2 – Public Hearing on Purchase of Property

President Senchina reported that she had in her possession an affidavit of publication showing the notice of time and place of the public hearing for the proposed purchase of properties located at 2420 Hawthorne Dr., Cedar Falls, Iowa, 3815 Rownd Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa and 3803 Rownd St. Cedar Falls, Iowa. This notice was published in the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Courier on August 29, 2011. The Board will now hold a public hearing on the purchase of these properties. President Senchina asked for public comments.

Cedar Falls residents Mark and Marsha Newton residing at 3808 Rownd Street and Peggy Nicol residing at 3807 Rownd Street addressed the Board concerning the purchase of properties located at 3803 and 3815 Rownd Street in Cedar Falls. Mr. and Mrs. Newton and Ms. Nicol expressed concerns about Board considering purchasing 3803 and 3815 Rownd Street and the possibility of renting the homes. Mr. and Mrs. Newton and Ms. Nicol also expressed concerns should the District remove the homes and turn the property into a parking lot and the effect of living next to a parking lot with the inconvenience of outdoor lighting and possible environmental issues. Dr. Stoakes assured Mr. and Mrs. Newton and Ms. Nicol that the District has no intention or desire to be a long-term landlord. It is possible that the two properties in question could be rented out for a short period of time, but not long-term. After hearing comments from Ms. Nicol and Mr. and Mrs. Newton President Senchina thanked them for attending the meeting and expressing their concerns to the Board over the potential purchase of properties in question.

President Senchina then declared the public hearing closed.

Item No. 3 – Communications

Thank you cards from President Senchina and Alice Janssen were passed around to Board members.

Dr. Stoakes thanked Director Vande Kieft for his 31 years of service to the school district.

Item No. 4 – Approval of Purchase of Property: 2420 Hawthorne Drive, Cedar Falls, Iowa

Dr. Stoakes reviewed the purchase of property located at 2420 Hawthorne Drive in Cedar Falls, Iowa. This property is located next to Cedar Heights Elementary School and would be used for the expansion of the playground at Cedar Heights Elementary. The property is currently owned by Anna Mary Carr and the proposed purchase price for the property is \$144,000. Director Hamilton moved and Director Kenyon seconded the motion to approve:

WHEREAS, on this date, a public hearing was scheduled before the Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District on a proposed Purchase Agreement dated August 8, 2011, under which the District would purchase from Anna Mary Carr that certain real estate locally known as 2420 Hawthorne Drive, Cedar Falls, Iowa, and legally described as N 150 Feet W 89.3 Feet E 187.9 Feet Lot 101, Auditors Whitney Road Plat, Cedar Falls, Iowa, for the purchase price of one hundred forty four thousand dollars (\$144,000): and

WHEREAS, no written or oral objections have been presented to this proposed real estate purchase: and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that it is in the best interest of the District to complete the purchase of this real estate with a scheduled closing date of October 3, 2011, under the terms set forth in the Purchase Agreement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District that the District shall purchase the real estate described above from Anna Mary Carr under the terms of the Purchase Agreement dated August 8, 2011: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that subject to Anna Mary Carr fulfilling all of its obligations under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, including providing an updated abstract of title showing marketable record of title to the real estate vested in Anna Mary Carr, the President and Secretary of the Board of Education are authorized and directed to execute any documents necessary to close the transaction to complete the purchase by the District of the above described real estate.

Directors voting in favor of the motion: Vande Kieft, Brown, Coil, Lantz, Kenyon, Hamilton and Senchina. Those voting "no" none. Motion carried.

Item No. 5 – Approval of Purchase of Property: 3815 Rownd Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa

Dr. Stoakes reviewed the purchase of the property located at 3815 Rownd Street in Cedar Falls, Iowa. The purchase of this property will be for the potential future expansion of Orchard Hill Elementary School. The property is currently owned by Donna R. Pohl and Ellen A. Pohl. The proposed purchase price is \$199,750. Director Kenyon moved and Director Hamilton seconded the motion to approve:

WHEREAS, on this date, a public hearing was scheduled before the Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District on a proposed Purchase Agreement dated August 15, 2011, under which the District would purchase from Donna R. Pohl and Ellen A. Pohl that certain real estate locally known as 3815 Rownd Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa, and legally described as S 115 Feet N 203 Feet W 196 Feet South 1/2 Lot 25, Orchard Hill Plat, Cedar Falls, Iowa, for the purchase price of one hundred ninety nine thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$199,750): and

WHEREAS, having heard oral objections to the proposed real estate purchase: and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that it is in the best interest of the District to complete the purchase of this real estate with a scheduled closing date of November 1, 2011, under the terms set forth in the Purchase Agreement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District that the District shall purchase the real estate described above from Donna R. Pohl and Ellen A. Pohl under the terms of the Purchase Agreement dated August 15, 2011: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that subject to Donna R. Pohl and Ellen A. Pohl fulfilling all of its obligations under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, including providing an updated abstract of title showing marketable record of title to the real estate vested in Donna R. Pohl and Ellen A. Pohl, the President and Secretary of the Board of Education are authorized and directed to execute any documents necessary to close the transaction to complete the purchase by the District of the above described real estate.

Directors voting in favor of the motion: Vande Kieft, Brown, Coil, Lantz, Kenyon, Hamilton and Senchina. Those voting "no" none. Motion carried.

Item No. 6 – Approval of Purchase of Property: 3803 Rownd Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa

Dr. Stoakes reviewed the purchase of property located at 3803 Rownd Street in Cedar Falls, Iowa. This property is located just north of 3815 Rownd Street in Cedar Falls, Iowa. The purchase of this property will be for the potential future expansion of Orchard Hill Elementary School or play ground area. The property is currently owned by Joanne and Craig Lorence. The proposed purchase price is \$135,000. Director Brown moved and Director Lantz seconded the motion to approve:

WHEREAS, on this date, a public hearing was scheduled before the Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District on a proposed Purchase Agreement dated August 17, 2011, under which the District would purchase from Joanne (Fuller) Lorence and Craig R. Lorence, Husband and Wife, that certain real estate locally known as 3803 Rownd Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa, and legally described as N 88 Feet W 163 Feet E 196 Feet South 1/2 Lot 25, Orchard Hill Plat, Cedar Falls, Iowa, for the purchase price of one hundred thirty five thousand dollars (\$135,000): and

WHEREAS, having heard oral objections to the proposed real estate purchase: and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds that it is in the best interest of the District to complete the purchase of this real estate with a scheduled closing date of November 1, 2011, under the terms set forth in the Purchase Agreement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District that the District shall purchase the real estate described above from Joanne (Fuller) Lorence and Craig R. Lorence under the terms of the Purchase Agreement dated August 17, 2011: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that subject to Joanne (Fuller) Lorence and Craig R. Lorence fulfilling all of its obligations under the terms of the Purchase Agreement, including providing an updated abstract of title showing marketable record of title to the real estate vested in Joanne (Fuller) Lorence and Craig R. Lorence, the President and Secretary of the Board of Education are authorized and directed to execute any documents necessary to close the transaction to complete the purchase by the District of the above described real estate.

Directors voting in favor of the motion: Vande Kieft, Brown, Coil, Lantz, Kenyon, Hamilton and Senchina. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No.7 – Approval of 2010-2011 Superintendent Goals

The Board reviewed the following goals and administrative professional development plan for Superintendent Stoakes for the 2011-2012 school year. Director Lantz moved and Director Brown seconded the motion to approve the following Superintendent’s goals as presented. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Brown, Coil, Senchina, Kenyon, Hamilton, Lantz, and Vande Kieft. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Specific Leadership and Learning Goals

- Expand Alignment of PK-12 Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment
- Ensure all district facilities are prepared for the 2012-2013 school year
- Update enrollment projections/analysis used for the development of the district facility master plan
- Determine when the high school renovation/addition project will be launched
- Establish communication plan to increase communication with the broader Cedar Falls community. Communication must assist the District in meeting the “aim” of the school district. (Guaranteed and viable curriculum, characteristics of effective instruction, Professional Learning Community)
- Become more familiar with current research on curriculum, instruction, and assessment.

Item No. 8 – 2010-2011 Mobility Report

Dr. Stoakes reviewed the student mobility report for the Cedar Falls Community School District for the 2010-2011 school year. In summary, the report stated there were a total of 444 elementary transfers, 198 junior high transfers, and 113 senior high transfers, and total alternative transfers of 65, for a total of 820 transfers. This includes transfers in and out of the school district. Other data reviewed included where transfer students came from and went to, as well as historical data of transfer students for the Cedar Falls Community Schools from 2001/02 school year to the present.

Item No. 9 - Superintendent's Report

Dr. Stoakes reported the IASB Annual Convention will be November 16th – 17th, 2011

Item No. 10 – Questions, Comments, and Concerns

September 13, 2011 is school board election day.

Item No. 11 – Adjournment

Director Hamilton moved and Director Kenyon seconded the motion to adjourn. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Vande Kieft, Coil, Brown, Lantz, Kenyon, Hamilton and Senchina. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Secretary