

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 James L. Robinson Administrative Center, 1002 West First Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the President and the roll being called there were present James Kenyon in the chair, and the following named Directors: Jeff Hassman, Susie Hines, Susan Lantz and Jenny Leeper. Others in attendance were: Dr. Andrew Pattee, Superintendent, Douglas Nefzger, Director of Business Affairs, Dan Conrad, Director of Secondary Education, Dr. Adrian Talbot, Director of Human Resources and Pam Zeigler, Director of Elementary Education. Also in attendance: Sarah Eastman, Larry Wyckoff, Calvin Fredicker, Joyce E. Coil, Stan Smith, and Eric Giddens.

President Kenyon stated the mission of the Cedar Falls Community School District is to educate each student to be a lifelong learner and caring responsible citizen.

Item No. 1 – Public Hearing: Sale of Property

President Kenyon reported that he had in his possession an affidavit of publication showing the notice of time and place of the public hearing for the proposed sale of a portion of property located at 525 E. Seerley Blvd., Cedar Falls, Iowa (Peet Junior High). This notice was published in the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Courier on December 28, 2015. The Board will now hold a public hearing. President Kenyon asked for public comments. No verbal or written comments were received. President Kenyon then declared the public hearing closed.

Item No. 2 – Approval of the Following Consent Agenda Items:

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

1. The January 11, 2016 Board of Education agenda
2. Approval of the December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Board of Education meeting minutes
3. Approval of the bills as presented for payment as reviewed by the designated Board member, Jim Kenyon
4. Open Enrollment

**Open Enrollment  
January 11, 2016**

Fredrick T Bushby	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Current resident district:	Cedar Falls
District requested:	Waterloo
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C
Daylynn M Crary	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C
Talan Medina	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C
Emily C Nelson	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C
Kane A Schaefer	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Current resident district:	Dunkerton
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C

Directors voting in favor of the motion: Hassman, Hines, Kenyon Lantz, and Leeper, Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 3 – Public Comment

Larry Wyckoff of 4241 East Park Road, Cedar Falls addressed the Board on Governor Branstad's proposed extension of the state-wide sales tax for schools for an additional twenty years. Mr. Wyckoff stated he contacted local representatives and questioned why students are being charged for clean water. He believes this tax should be assessed directly to the chemical and fertilizer companies for clean water efforts.

Item No. 4 – Secretary's Monthly Financial Report

Mr. Nefzger reviewed with the Board the December 2015 fund balances for general, schoolhouse, student activity, and food service. President Kenyon stated the report would be filed subject to audit.

Item No. 5 – Communications

High School Student Senate representative Michael Flansch presented to the Board on the following activities:

- Student Senate is working diligently on the dance marathon scheduled for February 19, 2016 with a goal of raising \$2,500 towards University of Iowa Children's Hospital.
- Sophomore leadership will be having "Coaches versus Cancer" event on February 12, 2016. There will be an auction and bake sale. Richard Strike will be the speaker during half time.
- Update on sports activities including: Girls and boys' basketball, swimming, bowling and wrestling.
- Cedar Falls High School participated in the honors jazz contest on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and students are scheduled to participate in the Dorian Music Festival at Luther College.
- There were eight Cedar Falls students chosen to attend the Iowa Leadership Conference in Des Moines and one student from Peet Junior High will be representing Cedar Falls Schools in Washington D.C.
- This week is finals week at the High School. Students are diligently working.

Board members thanked Mr. Flansch for his report.

Item No. 6 – Approval of SBRC Special Education Administrative Cost Request for Woodward Granger School

Mr. Nefzger reviewed the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) application request for additional allowable growth for administrative costs associated with the Woodward Granger special education consortium. The request is for \$1,521.99. Director Hines moved and Director Lantz seconded the motion to approve the application to the School Budget Review Committee in the amount of \$1,521.99 for administrative costs as presented. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Hassman, Hines, Kenyon Lantz, and Leeper, Those voting "no" none. Motion carried.

Item No. 7 – Approval of School Bus Bids

Mr. Nefzger reviewed the bids received for the purchase of three busses for the upcoming school year. It is the recommendation of the administration to accept the low bid from School Bus Sales, Waterloo Iowa in the amount \$193,104 for two 84 passenger transit school buses with front air ride suspension. It is also the recommendation of the administration to accept the low bid from Thomas Bus Sales of Des Moines Iowa for one 65 passenger conventional school bus for \$61,072.38. The purchase of these buses will be funded through the 2016-2017 Physical Plant and Equipment Levy. Director Hines moved and Director Leeper seconded the motion to approve the low bids from School Bus Sales in Waterloo Iowa at a net cost bid of \$193,104 for the purchase of two 84 passenger school busses and Thomas Bus Sales for one 65 passenger conventional school bus in the amount of \$61,072. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Hassman, Hines, Kenyon Lantz, and Leeper, Those voting "no" none. Motion carried.

Item No. 8 – Facility Committee Bond Petition Acceptance

Jim Moody from the District Facilities Committee presented a petition to the Cedar Falls Community School Board of Education with 762 signatures requesting to have a special election before the citizens of Cedar Falls school district for improvements for North Cedar and Orchard Hill Elementary buildings and a construction of a new elementary school. Mr. Moody thanked the Cedar Falls Schools Board of Education for keeping the tradition of excellence and thanked all those that help collect all the signatures.

Item No. 9 – Resolution Ordering a Special Election on the Issuance of \$32,000,000 General Obligation School Bonds

After review of the resolution, Director Lantz moved and Director Hines seconded the motion to approve the resolution ordering a special election on the issuance of \$32,000,000 of General Obligation School Bonds as presented. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Hassman, Hines, Kenyon Lantz, and Leeper, Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION ON THE ISSUANCE OF  
\$32,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS**

WHEREAS, there has been filed with the President of this Board a Petition of eligible electors of this School District asking that an election be called to submit the question of contracting indebtedness and issuing bonds of the School District in an amount not to exceed \$32,000,000 to provide funds to construct, build, furnish and equip a new elementary building and to improve the site; to construct, build, furnish and equip additions to North Cedar and Orchard Hill elementary buildings, and to remodel, repair, improve, furnish and equip those buildings and improve those sites; and

WHEREAS, this Board has examined the Petition and finds that it is signed by eligible electors of the School District numbering at least 25% of those voting at the last election of school officials and that the purposes set forth in the petition cannot be accomplished within the limit of one and one-quarter percent of the assessed value of the taxable property in the School District; and

WHEREAS, the proposal for the issuance of Bonds or any other proposal incorporating any portion of it has not or will not have been submitted to the qualified electors of the School District for a period of at least six months prior to the date of election being called in these Proceedings;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE CEDAR FALLS COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF BLACK HAWK, STATE OF IOWA:

That an election is called of the qualified electors of the Cedar Falls Community School District in the County of Black Hawk, State of Iowa, on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. The following Proposition is approved, and the Secretary is authorized and directed to submit and file the Proposition for the Ballot with the Black Hawk County Commissioner of Elections at least 46 days prior to the election:

SHALL THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC MEASURE BE ADOPTED?

YES [ ]

NO [ ]

Proposition A

Shall the Board of Directors of the Cedar Falls Community School District in the County of Black Hawk, State of Iowa, be authorized to contract indebtedness and issue General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$32,000,000 to provide funds to construct, build, furnish and equip a new elementary building and to improve the site; to construct, build, furnish and equip additions to North Cedar and Orchard Hill elementary buildings, and to remodel, repair, improve, furnish and equip those buildings and improve those sites?

[END OF BALLOT LANGUAGE]

That the notice of the election and ballot form used at the election shall be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Iowa Code and Iowa Administrative Rules. The District requests the polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 8:00 P.M.

That the Election Board for the voting precinct or precincts be appointed by the County Commissioner of Elections, not less than 15 days before the date of the election, a certified copy of which appointment must be officially placed on file in the office of the Secretary.

The Commissioner of Elections is requested and directed to make publication of the Notice of Election at least once, not less than four days nor more than twenty days prior to the date of the election, in a legal newspaper, printed wholly in the English language, as defined by Iowa Code Section 618.3.

The *Waterloo Cedar Falls Courier*, a legal newspaper, has substantial circulation within the District and is hereby designated to make the publication of the Notice of Election.

Black Hawk County, Iowa is the control county of this School District; this election will be conducted by the County Auditor as Commissioner of Elections.

That the County Commissioner of Elections shall prepare all ballots and election registers and other supplies as necessary for the proper and legal conduct of this election and the Secretary of the Board is authorized and directed to cooperate with the Commissioner of Elections in the preparation of the necessary proceedings.

That the Secretary is directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution in the Office of the County Commissioner of Elections to constitute the "written notice" to the County Commissioner of Elections of the election date, required to be given by the governing body under the provisions of Iowa Code Chapter 47.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th day of January, 2016.

Item No. 10 – Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Pattee reported on the following:

- There will be an Administrative Council/Board retreat on January 13, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.
- Board meeting scheduled for January 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. will include an informational report on art
- Special School Board election for vacant school board position will be February 16, 2016. Nomination papers can be accepted no sooner than January 14, 2016 and no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 22, 2016.
- There is Board work sessions scheduled prior to the January 25 and February 8, 2016 board meetings at 6:00 p.m.
- ISEA Lobby Day in Des Moines is scheduled for January 26, 2016
- IASB Lobby Day in Des Moines is scheduled for 8, 2016
- UEN meeting in Des Moines is scheduled for February 24, 2016

Item No. 11 – Questions, Comments, and Concerns

Director Leeper asked Dr. Pattee to review the Governor Branstad’s state-wide one-cent sales tax for school infrastructure proposal..

Item No. 11 – Adjournment

Director Lantz moved and Director Hines seconded the motion to adjourn. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Hassman, Hines, Kenyon Lantz, and Leeper, Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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Secretary

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President