

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 7:07 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: Jim Brown, Jeff Hassman, Susie Hines, Susan Lantz, Jenny Leeper and Doug Shaw. 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: Ethan Wiechmann, Kim Cross, Joyce Coil, Mark Miller, Jenna Miller, Jen Hartman, Duane Hamilton, Dave Deaver, Joe Sevcik, Sarah Eastman, Jeff Danielson, Cynthia Grider, Liz Kressig, Jim Young, Dawn AskMartin and Bob Kressig.

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 – Approval of the Following Consent Agenda Items:

Director Hines moved and Director Lantz seconded the motion the Board approves the following items:

1. The agenda of the November 9, 2015 Board of Education as presented.
2. Approval of the October 26, 2015 Board of Education meeting minutes as presented.
3. Open Enrollment Report
4. Auction Items for November 28, 2015 Auction
5. Approval of the bills as presented for payment as reviewed by the designated Board member, Susan Lantz
6. Approval of contracts:
 - River Hills: South Tama County CSD & North Tama CSD

Open Enrollment Report
November 9, 2015

Isabella Davis	5 th Grade
Current resident district:	Cedar Falls
District requested:	Iowa Virtual Academy (Clayton Ridge)
Effective date:	2015-2016
Rebecca Davis	8 th Grade
Current resident district:	Cedar Falls
District requested:	Iowa Virtual Academy (Clayton Ridge)
Effective date:	2015-2016
Caztin Boose	6 th Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C
Lenae H Boose	4 th Grade
Current resident district:	Waterloo
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C
Gabriel C Loggins	4 th Grade
Current resident district:	Dike-New Hartford
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C
Aleah Amilliona Wegener	5 th Grade
Current resident district:	Dike-New Hartford
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C

Andrew John Wegener	7 th Grade
Current resident district:	Dike-New Hartford
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C

Javan Laquantay Wegener	4 th Grade
Current resident district:	Dike-New Hartford
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2015-2016 – C

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

Item No. 2 – Senator Jeff Danielson and Representative Bob Kressig:

Board members welcomed Iowa Legislative Representative Bob Kressig and Iowa Senator Jeff Danielson to the meeting this evening. Representative Kressig and Senator Danielson reviewed the actions of the 2015 Legislature session, budget process and forecast for the 2016 year, as well as their perception of the tone for the upcoming Legislative session. Senator Danielson and Representative Kressig also reminded the Board of the new leadership in the Iowa House for the coming session.

Board member questions included:

- Discussion on the State wide sales tax and the year 2029 sunset
- Two year budget process for school districts.

Board members thanked the Legislators for their work and attention to education.

Item No. 3 – Public Comment

None

Item No. 4 – Secretary’s Monthly Financial Reports

Mr. Nefzger reviewed the monthly balances for October 2015 for the general fund, schoolhouse, student activity, and food service. President Kenyon reported that the report would be filed subject to audit.

Item No. 5 – Communications

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

- Provided an update on the final week of the student food drive: Trunk or treat event collected over 500 cans of food and \$250.00.
- Veterans Day assembly will be held on November 11, 2015 with a bake sale
- Future charitable bake sale events are scheduled for an employee at the high school
- State cross country: Boys finished 2nd and the girls finished 11th.
- State swimming meet: Cedar Falls finished 7th
- High School Cheer team competition
- Volleyball girls play in the first round of State playoffs on November 10, 2015

Board members thanked Mr. Flanscha for his report.

Item No. 6 – Adoption of the American Education Week Proclamation

Jim Young and Cynthia Grider presented the following proclamation for the 94th anniversary of American Education Week, which will be observed November 16-20, 2015.

WHEREAS, public schools are the backbone of our democracy, providing young people with the tools they need to maintain our nation's precious values of freedom, civility and equality; and

WHEREAS, by equipping young Americans with both practical skills and broader intellectual abilities, schools give them hope for, and access to, a productive future; and

WHEREAS, all education employees, be they teachers, guidance counselors, teacher librarians, paraprofessionals, school secretaries, custodians, nurses, maintenance and grounds personnel, technology specialists, bus drivers, food service, building principals, business services, human resources, district administrators, school boards, or substitute teachers, work tirelessly to serve our children and communities with care and professionalism; and work together to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for students”

WHEREAS, schools are community linchpins, bringing together adults and children, educators and volunteers, business leaders, and elected officials in a common enterprise.

NOW, THEREFORE, we as Representatives of the Cedar Falls Educational Support Professionals and the Cedar Falls Education Association do hereby proclaim November 16–20, 2015 as the 94th annual observance of American Education Week.

Signed this 9th day of November 2015.

Item No. 7 – Approval of Application to SBRC for Modified Allowable Growth

Mr. Nefzger reviewed the application to the School Budget Review Committee for additional allowable growth for increased enrollment, open enrollment out, and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) instruction for students in the program beyond five years additional funding. The District is requesting \$934,394 in additional allowable growth for increased enrollment due to the district’s enrollment increasing 144.8 students. The District is also requesting allowable growth in the amount of \$8,518 for LEP instruction beyond five years for a total request of \$942,912. If approved, the District will receive additional spending authority of \$942,912 for the 2015-2016 school year. Director Hines moved and Director Shaw seconded the motion to approve the application to the School Budget Review Committee in the amount of \$942,912 for modified allowable growth due to increasing student enrollment, increasing open enrollment out students and or limited English proficient instruction for students in the program beyond five years. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Brown, Hassman, Hines, Kenyon, Lantz, Leeper and Shaw. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 8 – Approval of Application to SBRC for Special Education Administrative Cost Request

Mr. Nefzger reviewed the School Budget Review Committee (SBRC) special education administrative cost request. This request is for administrative costs associated with the River Hills Consortium program. The total cost of the consortium program administrative salary expense is divided equally amongst member school districts based on the number of students enrolled as of October 31, 2015. Cedar Falls Community Schools has ten students enrolled in the program as of October 31, 2015. The total District request is for \$14,050.92. This request, if approved by the SBRC, would allow the District to include \$14,050.92 in special education expense for the operation of the River Hill consortium program. Director Hassman moved and Director Lantz seconded the motion to approve the request to the School Budget Review Committee as presented. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Brown, Hassman, Hines, Kenyon, Lantz, Leeper and Shaw. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 9 – Approval of Plans, Specifications and Set Public Hearing Date for 2016 Southdale Classroom Remodeling Project Phase III

Mr. Nefzger introduced Dan Channer from Struxture Architects and Mike Brocka from Modus Engineering. Mr. Channer and Mr. Brocka reviewed the plans and specifications for Phase III remodeling of Southdale Elementary school for summer of 2016. The project consists of remodeling two classrooms, restrooms and additional work in the corridor. Total construction cost for the project is estimated to be \$374,580 plus an additional \$33,000 in design fees and contingency fees at \$27,500 for a total cost of \$435,080. In addition, the District will add another 5% contingency in the amount of \$18,700 plus another \$15,000 for asbestos abatement for a grand total of \$468,780. This project will be funded through the 2016-2017 Physical Plant and Equipment Levy. The project is scheduled to begin at the end of the 2015-2016 school year and be completed by August 1, 2016. Director Lantz moved and Director Hines seconded the motion that the Cedar Falls Community School District Board of Education approve the proposed plans, specifications, proposed form of contract and set November 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. as the date and time to hold a public hearing for the 2016 Southdale Elementary remodeling project Phase III. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Brown, Hassman, Hines, Kenyon, Lantz, Leeper and Shaw. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 10– Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Pattee reported on the following:

1. IASB Convention is November 18-20, 2015
2. STEM convention at the Five Sullivan Convention Center on November 12, 2015
3. The November 23, 2015 board meeting will include a report on the STEM activities in the District.

Item No. 11 – Questions, Comments, and Concerns from Board Members

None

Item No. 12 – Adjournment

Director Hines moved and Director Lantz seconded the motion to adjourn. Directors voting in favor of the motion Brown, Hassman, Hines, Kenyon, Lantz, Leeper and Shaw. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Secretary

President