

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Waterloo Community School District**  
**County of Black Hawk, State of Iowa**  
**May 13, 2008**

The Board of Education of the Waterloo Community School District, County of Black Hawk, State of Iowa, was called to meet in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2008, in the Board Room of the Education Service Center, 1516 Washington Street, Waterloo, Iowa.

Present: Directors: Judy Fossell, Pam Miller, Barb Opheim, Bernice Richard, and Mike Young  
Superintendent, Dr. Dewitt Jones  
Associate Superintendent for Educational and Student Services, Patrick Clancy  
Associate Superintendent for Human Resources, Dr. Bev Smith  
Executive Director of Administrative Services/Board Treasurer, Michael Coughlin  
Director of School and Community Relations/Board Secretary, Sharon Miller  
Director of Community Education, Michelle Temeyer

Absent: Board members Mike Kindschi and Lyle Schmitt

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Moment of Silence**

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Bruce Potter, Edison Elementary principal.

**IV. Parent Involvement—Annual Report to the Board**

Ms. Sharon Miller provided an overview of the program. Information was provided by Mr. Bruce Potter (Edison Elementary principal); Ms. Stephanie Mohorne (Lowell Elementary principal); Ms. Cynthia Berry (Lowell Elementary family support worker); Ms. Marla Padget (Central Middle School principal); Ms. Audrey Kimball (Central Middle School teacher); and Ms. Sara Stephan (Central Middle School teacher).

**V. Information from Individuals and Delegations**

Ms. Kim Walter, no address given, expressed concern about teacher/student ratios at Lou Henry Elementary School and under-utilized classrooms.

Ms. Pam Tallman, no address given, voiced concern about class size at Lou Henry.

Ms. Joan Richter, Lou Henry parent, expressed concern about kindergarten class size.

**VI. Consent Agenda**

Ms. Richard asked that item F be removed and Mr. Young asked that item D be removed. It was moved by Ms. Miller and seconded by Ms. Fossell that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda, as revised. Motion carried 5-0. Motions approved were:

- Approve minutes of the April 28, 2008, Board meeting.
- Approve personnel appointments and adjustments.
- Approve the amendment to the contract with Cedar Valley Promise for the provision of Shared Vision and scholarship programs.

- Approve the proposed contract with the Waterloo Education Support Association (WESP) for 2008-2010.
- Approve the proposed contract with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees AFL-CIO (AFSCME) for 2008-2011.
- Receive and file the superintendent's recommendation to terminate teacher contracts effective at the end of the current school year.
- Approve change order #003 of \$23,095.34 and change order #004 for \$42,774.25.

**Exhibit D Bills Due and Payable and Bills Paid Between Board Meetings**

It was moved by Ms. Fossell and seconded by Ms. Opheim that the Board of Education approve bills due and payable and bills paid between Board meetings. Motion carried 4-0-1; Young abstained.

**Exhibit F Update on Community Education Greenhouse Located at Logan Middle School**

This information-only item was placed on the consent agenda in error. Ms. Julie Evenson, ISU horticulturist, provided an update and answered questions.

**VII. Summer School 2008**

This item was delayed until later in the meeting as Mr. Clancy was not present.

**VIII. Textbook Adoption for High School Science Department (Anatomy and Physiology)**

It was moved by Ms. Miller and seconded by Ms. Fossell that the Board of Education approve the adoption of *Hole's Essentials of Human Anatomy & Physiology, 2009 copyright, in the amount of \$17,055.00.* Ms. Debbie Lee, secondary curriculum coordinator, provided information. Motion carried 5-0.

**IX. Textbook Adoption for High School Science Department (Physics Principles)**

It was moved by Ms. Opheim and seconded by Ms. Fossell that the Board of Education approve the adoption of *Physics: Principles with Applications; Sixth Edition, 2005 copyright, in the amount of \$8,085.57.* Ms. Debbie Lee provided information. Motion carried 5-0.

**X. Textbook Adoption for High School Science Department (Conceptual Physics)**

It was moved by Ms. Opheim and seconded by Mr. Young that the Board of Education approve the adoption of *Conceptual Physics, 2009 copyright, in the amount of \$16,174.06.* Ms. Debbie Lee provided information. Motion carried 5-0.

**XI. Board Policy Changes (first reading)**

Ms. Sharon Miller provided information on the following policies:

*103.1 Anti-Bullying/Harassment Policy*

*400.4 Notification of Arrest, Criminal Charges, or Child Abuse Complaints*

*501.6 School Attendance Areas*

*507.1 Student Motor Vehicle Use*

*510.6 Recruiting of Athletes*

**VII. Summer School 2008**

Mr. Patrick Clancy provided information about the five-week summer school program.

**XII. Kittrell Elementary School (new construction)**

It was moved by Ms. Miller and seconded by Mr. Young that the Board of Education approve the low bid for the new construction of Kittrell Elementary School with Larson Construction. Mr. Geof Grimes, Struxture Architects, and Ms. Audrey Wallican-Green, Kittrell principal, provided information. Information about alternates was handed out. A friendly amendment to change the total cost to \$11,820,568.00 was accepted by Ms. Miller and Mr. Young. Motion carried 5-0.

**XIII. Certified Budget Amendment**

Mr. Michael Coughlin provided an overview of the amendment. It was moved by Ms. Miller and seconded by Ms. Opheim that the Board of Education set the public hearing for May 27, 2008. Motion carried 5-0.

**XIV. Student Transportation Service Bids**

It was moved by Mr. Young and seconded by Ms. Fossell that the Board of Education accept the bid of First Student Inc. and approve the contract for student transportation services for the 2009, 2010, and 2011 fiscal years. Motion carried 5-0.

**XV. Superintendent's Report**

In his report to the Board, Dr. Jones updated the Board on:

- The Chapter 20 collective bargaining issue. It is still on the governor's desk.
- A two-day session on Fierce Conversations in Des Moines May 12-13. Also attending the session were: Mary Meier, Loleta Montgomery, Debbie Lee, Henry Shepherd, and cabinet members.
- A recent visit by Dr. Gary Norris (May 7-9). Dr. Jones and Dr. Norris are collaborating on an article for the National School Board Association concerning transitions.

**XVI. Adjourn**

It was moved by Ms. Fossell and seconded by Ms. Opheim that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sharon R. Miller, Board Secretary

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Date Approved by the Board of Education

**THE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION IS:**

“the Board of Education approve the minutes of the May 13, 2008, regular Board meeting.”