

SAYDEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
5740 NE 14th STREET
DES MOINES, IA 50313

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00 PM

Saydel District Office Board Room

July 25, 2016

- I. **Call the Meeting to Order** – Meeting called to order by President Brian Bowman at 6:01 PM
- A. **Roll Call** – Melissa Sassman, Chad Vitiritto, Roland Kouski Jr., Henry Wood, Doug Kayser, Jennifer Van Houten, Brian Bowman, present.
- B. **Approve Agenda** – Motion to approve by Melissa Sassman, seconded by Roland Kouski Jr. Motion carried 7/0.
- II. **Superintendent’s Report**
- A. **GPA Process Update** – Superintendent Mr. Douglas Wheeler reviewed updates that have been made to the proposed GPA and weighted class procedures since last being discussed by the Board in June. He outlined the implementation process and shared a revised chart featuring the new GPA calculations. Beginning with the start of this school year, grade point averages will be calculated differently. To ensure fairness to current students, this transition will occur by grade level at the high school. The Grading For Growth (G4G) conversion chart was reviewed and discussed. The final procedure on this process will be provided to the Board for approval in August.
- B. **Cornell Project Budget Update** – Mr. Wheeler shared details on the project contingencies built into the Cornell Project. He shared a chart from Estes Construction that outlines the contract allowances from the prime contractor bids. He said progress is on time and on budget.
- C. **2016-17 IASB Legislative Priorities** – Legislative priorities identify the most critical changes in state policy and serve as a focal point for grassroots advocacy efforts of Iowa school boards and their association. Prior to the meeting, each Board member provided input on selecting top priorities. Mr. Wheeler shared a summary of Board requests for consideration, which included #20, School Funding Policy, #21, Supplemental State Aid, #3 Preschool, and #9, Special Education, State.
- III. **Discussion/Action Items**
- A. **Consent Agenda** – Motion to approve by Jennifer Van Houten, seconded by Doug Kayser. Motion carried 7/0.
1. Bills for payment
 2. Contracts
 - a). **Mail Machine - Neopost** - A product lease agreement between Neopost USA and Saydel CSD to provide a mailing machine with meter rental. This five-year lease agreement will cost \$181.27 per month or \$10,876.20 total.
- B. **Personnel**
1. **New Hires** – Motion to approve by Melissa Sassman, seconded by Chad Vitiritto. Motion carried 7/0.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Bldg.</u>	<u>Contract/Salary</u>
Alan Moritz	Behavior Interventionist/MS AD	\$65,507.80
Laurene Reynolds	Special Ed Associate/CE	\$13.98/hr
Jeyson Ramos Puerto	ELL Associate/WS	\$13.98/hr
Lori Bowman	Extended Contract-5days	\$1,350.79

2. **Resignations/Terminations** – Motion to approve by Henry Wood, seconded by Roland Kouski Jr. Motion carried 7/0.

Name	Position/Bldg.	Reason
Michael Puffett	TAP Mentor Teacher	Personal
Adam Busch	Asst. Principal/AD HS	Personal
Cindy Roby	Special Ed Associate	Personal
Zach Antle	Math/HS	Personal

C. **Open Enrollment**

1. **In** – Motion to approve by Melissa Sassman, seconded by Chad Vitiritto. Motion carried 7/0.

Student Name	Grade	To	Reason
Natalie Huffman	K	Des Moines	Met deadline

2. **Out** – Motion to approve by Melissa Sassman, seconded by Chad Vitiritto. Motion carried 7/0.

Student Name	Grade	From	Reason
Avery Anderson	1 st	Ankeny	Continuation
Amayah Boylan	K	Des Moines	Met deadline
Waylon VanWeelden	K	Ankeny	Met deadline

- D. **2016-17 IASB Legislative Priorities** – Motion by Melissa Sassman, seconded by Jennifer Van Houten. Motion carried 7/0.

The Board approved resolutions #20, #3, #9, #21 as the top IASB Legislative Priorities for 2017.

- **#20, School Funding:** Supports a school foundation formula that provides adequate and timely funding; provides a funding mechanism for transportation costs that reduce the pressure on the general fund and address inequities between school districts; includes factors based on changes in demographics including socio-economic status, remedial programming and enrollment challenges; equalizes per pupil funding; incorporates categorical funding in the formula within the three years; and includes a mix of property taxes and state aid.
- **#3, Preschool:** Supports an increase in funding to ensure all four-year-olds have access to a high quality public school preschool program. Districts should be given maximum flexibility to assign costs to the program.
- **#9, Special Education – State:** Supports predictable and timely state funding to serve students receiving special education services at a level that reflects the actual cost, including educational programming and health care costs.
- **#21, Supplemental State Aid:** Supports setting supplemental state aid for FY 2018 by January 29, 2017; for FY 2019 and future budget years, within 400 days (or 14 months) prior to the certification of the school's district budget; and at a rate that adequately supports local districts' efforts to plan, create and sustain world-class schools.

- IV. **Adjourn** – Motion to adjourn by Jennifer Van Houten, seconded by Doug Kayser. Motion carried 7/0. Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Brian Bowman, Board President

Beth Vitiritto, Board Secretary