

SAYDEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
5740 NE 14<sup>th</sup> STREET  
DES MOINES, IA 50313

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

6:00 PM

Saydel District Office Board Room

October 27, 2014

- I. Call the Meeting to Order – Meeting called to order by President Brian Bowman at 6:05 PM
  - A. Roll Call – Paul Breitbarth, Ray Livingston, Melissa Sassman, Rob Stephenson, Brian Bowman, present. Kyle Prendergast, Henry Wood, absent.
  - B. Approve Agenda – Motion to amend the agenda by Paul Breitbarth, seconded by Ray Livingston, postponing agenda items under Contracts/Agreements as follows due to ongoing discussion: 3) Change Requests for Artificial Turf and Track Project 4) Change Requests for HS Renovation Project 5) Change Requests for Press Box/Bleacher Project 6) Change Request for Bus/Maintenance Facility. Motion carried 5/0.
  
- II. Discussion/Action Items
  - A. Prairie Restoration Area Management

Paul Breitbarth shared information with the Board concerning the Prairie Restoration area. With the recent construction from the Hamilton Watershed Project, the Buildings and Grounds Committee has discussed the removal of some existing mature trees in and around the prairie. The area is in need of maintenance/upkeep and some of the trees are having an impact on the HVAC at the high school because of the amount of cottonwood that's coming off the trees. All trees in question are volunteer trees; none were specifically planted for memorial purposes. Buildings and Grounds consulted with an expert from the Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge and also received feedback on the issue from Saydel High School Science Teacher Allison Drees. No action was taken.
  - B. Contracts and Agreements
    1. Sylvan Learning Center Contract for SES – Motion to approve by Paul Breitbarth, seconded by Rob Stephenson. Motion carried 5/0.
    2. Contract with One Smart Kid – Motion to approve by Melissa Sassman, seconded by Ray Livingston. Motion carried 5/0.

As a SINA School under NCLB, Cornell is required to offer parents a menu of options for Supplemental Education Services. To receive SES, students must be below proficiency in math and/or reading and meet the Title I requirements for Free and Reduced Lunch status. The law states that we must offer SES to students two times per year.

Nine students signed up for SES. The provider chosen by parents was Sylvan Learning Center and One Smart Kid. We used Sylvan last year. As part of the SES requirement, Cornell/Saydel cannot show any preference to a provider. This is entirely a parent-driven decision. We are required to provide this service and allocate up to 20% of our Title I funding to cover SES. If we in good faith offer two enrollment periods/windows and enrollment for SES does not reach the allocation, the money can be re-allocated to other Title I needs.

The Superintendent supports the approval of these contracts. Title I funding will cover these services.

- III. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn by Paul Breitbarth, seconded by Melissa Sassman. Motion carried 5/0. Meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM

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Brian Bowman, Board President

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Beth Vitiritto, Board Secretary