

URBANDALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2012 – 7:00 P.M.

URBANDALE CITY HALL – 3600 86th STREET

ADAM OBRECHT, PRESIDENT

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Adam Obrecht called the work session to order at 7:00 P.M. At roll call, the following Directors were present: Jeff Farrell, Kyle Kruidenier, Shawn St. John, Mark Wierson, Vice President Ryan Judas, and President Obrecht. Director Cate Newberg was absent.

Approval of Agenda

Director Wierson moved, and Director St. John seconded the motion to approve the agenda as posted. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

Good News

Dr. Stilwell reported that one member of the Boys' and eight members of the Girls' Cross Country teams had placed at the state meets. The Urbandale football team ended the season with a 7-3 record.

Quality Update

Katie Bunce, Science teacher at UHS, provided a quality update, explaining how she focuses on learning and guiding students in their independent learning instead of delivering instruction to all students collectively, at one pace. This independence allows each student to take responsibility for their own learning, working at the appropriate pace toward individual mastery of learning goals. Two of her students spoke about how this model of instruction has allowed them to work more effectively and increased their expectations for achievement.

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Open Enrollment with six students enrolling into the District, four students enrolling out of the District for 2012-13, and two students enrolling into the District and two students enrolling out for 2013-14.
- B. Approval of Personnel Report as submitted.
- C. Approval of Agreement for Professional Services with Olsson Associates for testing and investigation on the movement and distress of walls and floor slabs at Jensen Elementary.

- D. Approval Purchase of Services Agreement with EduCare to perform supplemental education services at Karen Acres Elementary
 - E. Approval of Contracted Snow Plowing Services with the Greens Keeper, Grimes, Iowa, for the 2012-13 winter season.
 - F. Approval of Minutes, for the Board Meeting held on October 15, 2012
- Directors discussed item C – Agreement for Professional Services with Olsson Associates, amending certain language in the indemnity terms. Director Farrell moved, and Director Wierson seconded the motion to approve the amended Agreement with Olsson Associates. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0. Director Farrell moved, and Director Judas seconded the motion to approve the other remaining consent agenda items as submitted. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

- A. Webster / Rolling Green Parking Lots Discussion
Dr. Doug Stilwell updated the Board of Directors about parking lot expansion plans at both Webster and Rolling Green Elementaries. John Lees, Maintenance and Construction Supervisor, provided details on the proposed parking lot layouts and project timelines.
- B. CAR Financial Highlights
Shelly Clifford, Chief Financial Officer, presented financial information from the Certified Annual Report and other key financial indicators. The District's financial health has increased for three consecutive years. Solvency Ratio for end of fiscal year 2012 is 11.6% and the unspent balance of spending authority is projected to be \$5.18 million, or 14.6% of annual expenses.
- C. Acceptance of Financial Report
Shelly Clifford, CFO, submitted the Statement of Current Assets for September 2012, and Balance Sheets, Revenue and Expense Reports from the Certified Annual Report for fiscal year end 2012. Director Farrell moved, and Director Kruidenier seconded the motion to accept the financial reports as submitted. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.
- D. Approval to Pay Bills
Shelly Clifford, Chief Financial Officer, requested the Board's authorization to pay the bills as submitted totaling \$192,392.77. Director St. John moved, and Vice President Judas seconded the motion to approve the bills as submitted. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

Adjournment

Director St. John moved, and Vice President Judas seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 P.M. Motion passed with all ayes 6-0.

