

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 City of Cedar Falls City Hall, 220 Clay Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the President and the roll being called there were present Joyce Coil in the chair, and the following named Directors: Eric Giddens, Susie Hines, Jenny Leeper, Jeff Orvis and Sasha Wohlpart. Others in attendance were: Dr. Andrew Pattee, Superintendent, Douglas Nefzger, Director of Business Affairs, Daniel Conrad, Director of Secondary Education, Dr. Adrian Talbot, Director of Human Resources, and Pam Zeigler, Director of Elementary Education. Also present: Kendra Wohlert, Shelley Droeg, Andrew Stephensen, Arlo Hettle, and Dan Channer.

President Coil called the meeting to order and reported that we are here to focus on students and student achievement

Item No. 1 – Approval of the Following Consent Agenda Items:

Director Leeper moved and Director Wohlpart seconded the motion to approve the following items:

1. The January 8, 2018 Board of Education agenda
2. Approval of the December 11, 2017 Board of Education meeting minutes
3. Approval of the bills as presented for payment as reviewed by the designated Board member, Jeff Orvis
4. Open Enrollment

**Open Enrollment  
January 8, 2018**

Dakota Brandon Berky	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade
Current resident district:	Hudson
District requested:	Cedar Falls
Effective date:	2017-2018 – C

Directors voting in favor of the motion: Coil, Giddens, Hines, Leeper, Orvis and Wohlpart. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 2 – Public Comment

Jennifer Christensen expressed concern of potential school vouchers legislation and the effects it may have on school districts across the State of Iowa and asked the District to provide a statement on the effects of this Legislation.

Item No. 3 – Communications

High School Student Senate representative Arlo Hettle reported on the following:

- Winter dance will be held January 27, 2018 at University of Northern Iowa, Maucker Union with all proceeds going towards the dance marathon.

Dr. Pattee addressed Ms. Christensen’s concerns and stated the District is very aware of the voucher Legislation and very concerned and not in favor of a voucher system.

Janelle Darst reported on the District newsletter:

- Communications update
- Justin Witt, Senior student in CAPS program presented to executives
- Young Professional Network (YPN) NE Iowa Regional Board of Realtors
- McDonalds/North Cedar Elementary partnership
- Constitution contest
- 2018 preschool registration
- Students chosen for District jazz concert and Northeast Iowa String Teachers Association Orchestra (NEISTA) festival
- Tara Estep, Principal of Hansen Elementary honored as 20 under 40 by the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Courier

Item No. 4 – Secretary’s Monthly Financial Report

Mr. Nefzger reviewed the monthly balances for December 2017 in the general, schoolhouse, student activity and food service funds. President Coil reported that the report would be filed subject to audit.

Item No. 5 – Approval of Change Orders for Aldrich Elementary

Mr. Nefzger updated the Board on the construction of Aldrich Elementary and the change order request. At the time of project approval Alternate #2 was included for a second reinjection well, although it was thought it may not be needed. After the completion of the installation and testing of the main well it was determined the second reinjection well for the geothermal system is not needed and it is the recommendation of the design team to eliminate Alternate #2. Director Orvis moved and Director Hines seconded the motion that the Cedar Falls Community School District approve the construction change order for a credit of \$175,000.00 to delete Alternate #2 (additional reinjection well) for Aldrich Elementary School. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Coil, Giddens, Hines, Leeper, Orvis and Wohlpert. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 6 – Approval of Change Orders for Orchard Hill Elementary

Mr. Nefzger updated the Board on the construction of Orchard Hill Elementary and the change order requests. There are four change order requests that include reducing the size of the front entrance canopy, delete window bump outs and other canopies, change some spiral duct to duct sock, and revise the geothermal well piping for a total reduction in cost of \$102,893. Dan Channer of Structure Architects answered some questions from the Board. Director Wohlpert moved and Director Hines seconded the motion Cedar Falls Community School District approve the construction change order for construction changes to Orchard Hill Elementary for a total reduction in costs of \$102,893. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Coil, Giddens, Hines, Leeper, Orvis and Wohlpert. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 7 – Approval of 84 Passenger Transit School Bus Bids

Mr. Nefzger reviewed the bids received for the purchase of two 84 passenger transit school buses with air ride suspension and rear backup cameras for the 2018/19 school year. There was two bids received and it is the recommendation of the administration to accept the low bid from School Bus Sales, Waterloo Iowa in the amount \$192,412.00, net after trade-in of two school buses. The purchase of these buses will be funded through the 2018-2019 Physical Plant and Equipment Levy. After discussion, Director Giddens moved and Director Leeper seconded the motion to approve the purchase of two 84 passenger transit school buses with air ride suspension and rear backup from School Bus Sales in Waterloo Iowa at a net cost bid of \$192,412. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Coil, Giddens, Hines, Leeper, Orvis and Wohlpert. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried.

Item No. 8 – Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Pattee reported on the following:

- Administrative Council/Board retreat is January 10, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.
- Board meeting scheduled for January 22, 2018 will include an informational report on Local Option Sales Tax (LOST).
- Facility update: High school will have some activity and awareness information during the week of January 29, 2018.
- Legislative update on the following:
  1. Vouchers
  2. Funding misinformation recently released concerning an increase in funding for Iowa school districts. This information also included additional categorical funding, Teacher Leadership Compensation (TLC), Teacher Salary Supplemental (TSS), as well as local bond and Physical Plant and Equipment Levies that have been passed throughout the State.
  3. IPERS retirement plan for employees
  4. State wide one-cent sales tax

Item No. 9 – Questions, Comments, and Concerns

Director Giddens stated he attended a CAPS presentation at Viking Pump and thanked the students, staff, and Viking Pump for all the work they have done in regards to the CAPS program.

Director Orvis stated there will be a Legislative forum held February 10, 2018 here in Cedar Falls and urges attendance.

Item No. 10 – Adjournment

Director Hines moved and Director Giddens seconded the motion to adjourn. Directors voting in favor of the motion: Coil, Giddens, Hines, Leeper, Orvis and Wohlpert. Those voting “no” none. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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Secretary

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President