

**Minutes of the Board of Education
Waterloo Community School District
County of Black Hawk, State of Iowa
February 5, 2018**

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, February 5, 2018, in the Board Room of the Education Service Center, 1516 Washington Street, Waterloo, Iowa.

Present: Board members: Endya Johnson, Jesse Knight, Sue Flynn, Shanlee McNally and Astor Williams

Superintendent, Dr. Jane Lindaman

Assistant to the Superintendent/Board Secretary, Pam Arndorfer

Associate Superintendent for Human Resources & Equity, Dr. Bev Smith

Absent: Board members: Rhonda McRina and Lyle Schmitt

Chief Financial Officer/Board Treasurer, Michael Coughlin

Associate Superintendent for Educational Services, Dr. Charles McNulty

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. McNally at 6:02pm

II. Moment of Silence

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Mission Statement

The Waterloo Schools Mission Statement was read by Mr. Knight.

V. Board Celebration: Why Waterloo Schools?

This item was presented as Information Only. Adriane Carlson, At-Risk Student Support Coordinator at Irving Elementary, spoke about her “Why Waterloo Schools?”.

VI. Information from Individuals and Delegations

No public comments were brought forth.

VII. Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Knight and seconded by Ms. Flynn that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as revised. Motion carried 5-0. The following items were approved:

- Minutes of the January 22, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- Personnel Appointments and Adjustments
- Bills Due and Payable and Bills Paid Between Board Meetings
- Set Date of Public Hearing for the Artificial Turf Project at Memorial Stadium
- Adoption of *STEMscopes*® Science Curriculum for 7th and 8th Grade Science

Exhibit E: Iowa Campus Compact / Corporation for National and Community Service Grant

It was moved by Ms. Flynn and seconded by Ms. Johnson that the Board of Education accept with gratitude the grant from Iowa Campus Compact/Corporation for National and Community

Service in the amount of \$24,800 to fund eight AmeriCorps/VISTA positions for the 2018 Summer Academy. Adriane Carlson, Irving Elementary At-Risk Student Support Coordinator, and Darren Hanna, Director of Elementary Education, provided information. Motion carried 5-0.

VIII. Resolution in Support of Iowa Public Education

It was moved by Mr. Knight and seconded by Ms. Johnson that the Board of Education approve the Resolution in support of Iowa Public Education. Shanlee McNally and Dr. Jane Lindaman provided information, and all board members were given the opportunity to comment. Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF IOWA PUBLIC EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the legislature will look at enacting Educational Savings Accounts; and

WHEREAS, the Board, in consultation with its community, has determined that the Iowa legislature should not enact educational savings accounts as currently proposed, or vouchers, and should continue to promote and fully invest in Iowa's public schools, more specifically:

- Iowa already has school choice options like open enrollment, virtual education, home schooling (both competent private instruction and independent private instruction), and tuition tax credits for private schooling;
- Public schools are overseen by locally-elected citizens and are required by law to operate with openness and transparency concerning expenditures, reporting and decision-making. Nonpublic schools are not held to that same standard.
- Policymakers should continue to promote cooperation and the collaborative environment that already exists between public and nonpublic schools; and
- Public schools accept and educate all students, regardless of background, socio-economic status, special needs, race, religion, etc.

WHEREAS, the Board believes that public schools provide a strong educational foundation for Iowa's children;

WHEREAS, educational savings accounts, if enacted as currently proposed, would jeopardize public school programs and opportunities by directing resources away from public schools to nonpublic schools who are not subject to the same standards for their use of taxpayer resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Waterloo Board of Education fully supports Public Education as specified above.

Passed and approved this 5th day of February, 2018.

IX. Property Exchange Agreement with City of Waterloo / Miriam's Park and Edison School Site

It was moved by Mr. Knight and seconded by Ms. Flynn that the Board of Education approve the Property Exchange Agreement with the City of Waterloo, transferring ownership of the former Edison Elementary School site to the City and receiving a 10-acre portion of Miriam's Park in exchange. Dr. Jane Lindaman and Shanlee McNally provided information. Motion carried 5-0.

X. Contract for Financial Audit Services

It was moved by Ms. Flynn and seconded by Ms. Johnson that the Board of Education accept the recommendation from the Finance Committee and approve the bid from BerganKDV, Ltd. of Waterloo, IA to provide independent financial auditing services for Fiscal Years 2018 through 2022. Dr. Jane Lindaman, along with Sue Flynn and Shanlee McNally, members of the Finance Committee, provided information. Motion carried 5-0.

XI. Issuance of School Infrastructure Sale, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018

It was moved by Ms. Flynn and seconded by Mr. Knight that the Board approve the Resolutions Directing the Sale of School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018 as presented. Dr. Jane Lindaman provided information. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote with Ms. Johnson, Mr. Knight, Ms. Flynn, Mr. Williams and Ms. McNally all voting yes.

The following three resolutions were approved:

- Resolution appointing Bankers Trust Company to serve as trustee, approving the trust indenture and authorizing the execution of same.
- The form of tax exemption certificate be placed on file and approved.
- Resolution authorizing and providing for the terms of issuance and providing for and securing the payment of \$16,667,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2018, of the Waterloo Community School District, State of Iowa, under the provisions of Chapters 423E and 423F of the Code of Iowa, and providing for a method of payment of said bonds.

XII. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Lindaman reported on the following:

- Ms. Carlson, in her Why Waterloo Schools presentation, stated “people give of their time when they believe in the mission” – would like to thank board members for giving of their time and efforts in supporting the mission and vision of Waterloo Schools
- Urge the public to stay in tune with current legislation – lots going on at the state level right now
- It's always a difficult task to make decisions about school cancellations/delays/early dismissals when our weather does not cooperate – safety is always at the forefront of our decisions and we appreciate the grace of parents and families when those decisions need to be made.

XIII. Information from Board Members

Each board member was given the opportunity to comment.

XIV. Adjourn

It was moved by Ms. Flynn and seconded by Ms. Johnson that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela G. Arndorfer, Board Secretary

Date Approved by the Board of Education

THE SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION IS:

“the Board of Education approve the minutes of the February 5, 2018, regular Board meeting.”