



BOARD SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the May 21, 2007 meeting of the Linn-Mar Board of Directors.

(Note: Additional details on the following proceedings are available at the office of the Linn-Mar Board Secretary, Educational Services Center, Marion, Iowa)

WORK SESSION

Video: Did You Know?

The Board saw a short video entitled "Did You Know?" about exponential changes in the world. Jim Green introduced the video which he saw at the National School Board Conference in April. The video compared statistics from India and China and the necessity of high level technology use.

DLR Report

Tom Penney and Vince Ward from the DLR Group presented the Ten Year Master Facility Plan study to the Board. The DLR group presented possible scenarios for accommodating projected student growth.

Each existing school building including support service offices and athletic facilities were evaluated and areas of concern were addressed for remedial action. New building construction, new use of existing facilities as well as relocation of the track and football field were discussed. Timelines were given for expansion and additional buildings based on projected enrollment growth. Other items reviewed were accessibility to the schools, safety and air conditioning.

The board is scheduled to review and discuss the proposal at their work session on June 18.

MEETING

Public Hearing for FY07 Budget Amendment

No comments were received at the public hearing for the purpose of amending the FY07 school budget.

Public Hearing for High School Roof Bids

No comments were received at the public hearing for the proposed bid tabulation for the High School roof replacement project.

High School Science Club – Costa Rica Trip, June 7-16, 2007

High School Science Teacher Mark Hutcheson presented a report to the Board on the Science Club trip to Costa Rica. Nineteen students and three science teachers will be departing June 7, 2007 and returning on June 16, 2007.

Foundation Report

Executive Director Tina Patterson presented a report to the Board on recent Foundation activities. A record \$43,000 was raised at the Mane Event fundraiser. The annual golf outing fundraiser is planned for August 10, 2007. The Foundation is continuing to work on a policy manual and a five year strategic plan.

Transportation – Changes for 2007-08

Associate Superintendent Rick Ironside presented a report on transportation operation standards which included transportation assistance guidelines. The transportation department has set parameters for school field trips. All trips must remain within in a 65 mile radius of the school and no trips are to be scheduled the first or last week of school. Field trip length is limited between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. so buses will be available for the regular bus route schedules.

Transportation Manager Brian Cruise has been working on updating bus rules and disciplinary procedures. Cruise has also been working to maximize efficiency. The new Edulog routing system software is helping to determine the most efficient routes. Cruise has been identifying neighborhoods who are currently being transported to school that are within walking distance but now have safe walkways to school.

Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Katie Mulholland reported that the Linn County Board of Supervisors will be meeting to change the name of Randolph Road to Echo Hill Road. Mulholland also reported on activities being held for Wilkins and Linn Grove Elementary School students to better acquaint them with their new teachers and peers as a result of the boundary changes. The principals, Shannon Bisgard and Jeff Schneekloth along with Linn Grove and Wilkins staff members have hosted several welcoming events for the new students.

Legislative Priorities – 2007-08

The Board continued to discuss strategies and focus points for both the District's and IASB's legislative priorities. On-time funding and the restructuring of tax reform across the state remains the Board's primary concern.

2007-08 Market Factor Plan

The Board approved the Linn-Mar Instructional Excellence Program, a financial incentive for new and existing staff to obtain an endorsement in shortage areas as determined by the district.

Contract for Services – Compensatory Education

The Board approved the compensatory education agreement as required by an administrative law judge's ruling on February 27, 2004, to expire on June 30, 2009.

Awarding of Bids: Roof for High School

The administration recommends that the Board award a contract to T&K Roofing in the amount of \$428,900 for the High School roof replacement project.

Athletic Training Services Contract

The Board approved a three year athletic training services contract from St. Luke's Hospital in the amount of \$12,500 with a 5% annual increase.

FY07 Budget Amendment

The Board approved the FY07 budget amendment as presented.

Area	From	To	Reasons
Instruction	\$32,258,418	\$33,119,511	Additional Instructional staff due to increased enrollment
Total Support Services	\$14,063,967	\$13,902,338	Reclassification of expenditures from support to instruction
Noninstructional Programs	\$2,044,178	\$2,407,292	Increase in Nutrition cost to support increased enrollment
Total Other Expenditures	\$32,919,719	\$41,670,054	Issuance of refunding bonds in the amount of \$9.8 million

Approval of Fund Raising Requests

The Board approved the following fund raising requests.

Organization	Project	Amount	Date
Varsity Poms – Allison Schmidt	Selling raffle tickets	\$1,500	May 22-July 1, 2007
Choral Dept. – Bob Anderson	Supernova	\$5,000	June 2007 – Jan. 12, 2008
Football – Bob Read	Varsity Gold cards	\$8,000	July 30-Aug. 7, 2007
Cross Country – Todd Goodell	Varsity Gold cards	\$3,500	August 13-25, 2007
Wrestling – Doug Streicher	Sell cases of Coca-Cola	\$1,500	Winter 2007-Mar. 1, 2008

Personnel

Certified Staff

Assignment – Reassignment

Name	Assignment	Dept. Action
Adams, Allison	OR 1.0 FTE 1 st Grade Teacher	August 14, 2007
Benesh, Brooke	Wf 1.0 FTE Level I Special Ed. Teacher	August 14, 2007
Brennan, Kelly	Ex 1.0 FTE Level I Special Ed. Teacher	August 14, 2007
Brockschink, Jill	BW 1.0 FTE 5 th Grade Teacher	August 14, 2007
East, Courtney	BW 1.0 FTE 3 rd Grade	August 14, 2007

	Teacher	
Eschweiler, Katie	BW 1.0 FTE 3 rd Grade Teacher	August 14, 2007
Hackbarth, Pam	From 1.0 FTE BW Kindergarten Teacher to LG Alt. Kindergarten Teacher	August 14, 2007
Hobson, Kelly	HS 1.0 FTE Math Teacher	August 14, 2007
Kreher, Ryan	OR 1.0 FTE 2 nd Grade Teacher	August 14, 2007
Krepfle, Renee	Home School Program Coordinator	August 1, 2007
Moser, Tesha	BW 1.0 FTE 2 nd Grade Teacher	August 14, 2007
O'Neil, Andrea	OR 1.0 FTE 1 st Grade Teacher	August 14, 2007
Orris, Amanda	OR 1.0 FTE 3 rd Grade Teacher	August 14, 2007

**Certified Staff
Resignation**

Name	Assignment	Dept. Action
Moeller, Denise	Ex Special Ed. (BD) Teacher	June 4, 2007
Naylor, Al	EX Band Teacher	June 4, 2007

**Classified Staff
Assignment – Reassignment**

Name	Assignment	Dept. Action
Ashbacher, Patti	TR from Regular to Sub Bus Driver	April 13, 2007
Charipar, Deb	From HS/OR/FS to HS/FS; 6.25 to 6.5 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Colton, Norma	From NE/FS to LG/FS; 5.75 to 6 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Crawford, Matt	O&M Full-time Temporary Grounds Worker	May 7, 2007
Cruise, Jeanine	HS/FS from 6.25 to 6.5 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Johnston, Kathy	HS/FS from 3.5 to 3.75 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Kelly, Jane	LG Counselor's Secretary	August 1, 2007
Naas, Candee	HS/FS from 5.75 to 6.25 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Olinger, Delva	O&M Full-time Temporary Grounds Worker	June 4, 2007
Olinger, Delva	From NE/FS to LG/FS 8 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Richardson, Robyn	From NE/IC/FS to NE/FS; 7.75 to 8 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Salzwedel, Deb	From NE/FS to LG/FS 8 hours/day	August 14, 2007
Schroeder, Mary Beth	From NE to OR Ed. Assistant	April 23, 2007
Tyo, Linda	HS/FS from 4.75 to 5	August 14, 2007

	hours/day	
Yi, Sincha	HS/FS from 3.75 to 5 hours/day	August 14, 2007

Rescind the following Personnel Item of May 7, 2007.

Name	Assignment	Dept. Action
Brummer, Nick	HS from Student Supervisor to Custodian	June 1, 2007

Classified Staff Resignation

Name	Assignment	Dept. Action
Adams, Allison	OR 1-on-1 Ed. Assistant	June 1, 2007
Anderson, Jean	IC Ed. Assistant	June 1, 2007
Gallagher, Dennis	HS Special Ed. Program Assistant	June 1, 2007
Gamm, Karen	HS Food Service	May 2, 2007
Grimes, Cindy	Ex Food Service	May 18, 2007
Hanley, Angie	HS Food Service	May 10, 2007
Hungate, Jennifer	OR 1-on-1 Ed. Assistant	June 1, 2007
Matson, Patricia	OR 1-on-1 Ed. Assistant	May 16, 2007
Mitchell, Eric	Ex 1-on-1 Ed. Assistant	June 1, 2007
Phillips, Kristin	OR 1-on-1 Ed. Assistant	June 1, 2007
Rowenhorst, Sally	OR 1-on-1 Ed. Assistant	June 1, 2007

Open Enrollment

Student	Grade	Bldg	Residing District	Reason
Brockschink, Ashley	4 th grade	BW	Cedar Rapids	Good Cause
Brockschink, Kate	7 th grade	EX		
Natarajan, Vivek	6 th grade	OR	Cedar Rapids	Good Cause

Board Calendar

May			
May 21	5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Work Session Regular Board Meeting	ESC Board Room
May 21	7:30 p.m.	Spring Vocal Concert	HS Auditorium
May 23	12:00 p.m.	100 Hour Volunteer Luncheon	Elmcrest C.C.
May 24	7:00 p.m.	Senior Recognition Night	HS Auditorium
May 27	4:00 p.m.	Graduation	U.S. Cellular Center
May 28		Memorial Day - No School K-12	
May 30	3:30-5:30 p.m.	Reception for Retirees	HS Lower Level
May 31	6:00-9:00 p.m.	ABLE II: Building Effective Brd/Supt. Relationships	Cedar Rapids CSD
June			
June 1		Last Day of School – Early Dismissal	
June 4	5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Work Session Regular Board Meeting	ESC Board Room
June 11	5:00 p.m.	Policy Committee Meeting	ESC
June 15	11:00 a.m.	Echo Hill Ground Breaking	Echo Hill
June 18	5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Work Session Regular Board Meeting	ESC Board Room
June 25	4:00 p.m.	Budget/Audit Committee Meeting	ESC