

Sergeant Bluff, IA  
October 13, 2011

The regular October 2011 meeting of the Sergeant Bluff-Luton Board of Education was called to order by President John Baker at 6:02 p.m. with the following members present: Amiee Krogh, David Schaar, and Dean Williams. Absent: Jenna Wilson.

President Baker welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone present wished to address the board.

Neal Utesch welcomed the new board members on behalf of himself and the SBLEA.

Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to approve the agenda as printed. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

The minutes of the meetings of September 22 and October 6, 2011 were reviewed by the board. Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to approve the minutes. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

The Secretary reports were reviewed by the board. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Krogh to approve the Secretary reports. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

The financial reports and the claims were reviewed by the board. Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to approve the Current Bills, with the exception of the C.W. Suter and Electric Innovations. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Motion by Krogh and seconded by Schaar to approve the C.W. Suter bills. Ayes: Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None. Abstention: Baker.

Motion by Baker and seconded by Williams to approve Electric Innovations. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Williams. Nays: None. Abstention: Schaar.

For legislative issues, Supt. Earleywine briefly discussed the Governor's Blueprint.

Kelly Adams said the Kiwanis is recognizing Chris Pottebaum as the Educator of the Year for her work with the Power of One Book Project (Reading Initiative). The Kiwanis is also recognizing C.W. Suters as the Kiwanis' business of the year.

Jason Klingensmith recognized the SBL Foundation for the work on the Big Bash. They raised \$16,000 this year and close to \$100,000 over the past three years.

Jason Klingensmith presented information on the high school enrollment numbers, professional development, and PLC work. He discussed and showed a film on Authentic Intellectual Work (AIW), and discussed the 1:1 initiative and how exciting it has been for the students and teachers.

Supt. Earleywine presented contracts for the following:

Joel Huffman as a Jr. High Asst. Football Coach Step 4, \$1627. Motion by Williams and seconded by Schaar to approved Joel Huffman as a Jr. High Asst. Football Coach, Step 4, \$1,627. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

- David Shea- Part time custodian Level 0, \$10.31 per hour
- Dennis Wessling - Part time custodian Level 0, \$10.31 per hour

Motion by Schaar and seconded by Krogh to approve the above contracts on David Shea and Dennis Wessling. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the Board needing to approve the district's legal counsel for 11-12. He recommended our continued use of Ahler's Law Firm. Ahler's Law Firm presently charges the district \$225 per hour for Jim Hanks' services. When we use other attorney's within the firm we are charged \$175 per hour. Motion by Baker and seconded by Williams to approve Ahler's Law Firm as our legal Counsel for 2011-2012. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the Board's need to approve our official newspaper for 11-12. He recommended we continue to use the Sgt. Bluff Advocate as our official newspaper. Motion by Williams and seconded by Schaar to approve the Sgt. Bluff Advocate as our official newspaper. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the Board needing to approve an official depository maximum amount for deposits for 11-12. He and Denise recommended a maximum amount of \$8 million. Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to approve \$8 million as the maximum amount of deposits at Pioneer Bank. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the Board needing to appoint a Truancy Officer per Policy 410.3. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Williams to approve our police liaison officer as the district truancy officer. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None

Supt. Earleywine discussed the Special Education Deficit. We have a special education deficit in the amount of \$204,936.49 for fiscal year 2011. The district can ask for modified allowable growth to cover this deficit. Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to approve modified allowable growth in the amount of \$204,936.49 to cover excess expenses in our special education programs. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

The Board members have asked to re-visit the HVAC service agreement. Supt. Earleywine included copies of the bid sheets for review. He believes the service agreement is necessary to help protect the districts large investment in the HVAC system. In speaking with CW Suter and IMC they have both agreed that their current bids are still valid. Supt. Earleywine recommends that we pro-rate the service agreement to run Oct. 2011 - June 2012 (75% of the original bid). CW Suter's original bid was \$17,847 (75% = \$13,385.25). IMC's original bid was \$27,880 (75% = \$20,910). Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to approve the HVAC service agreement to CW Suter pro-rated from their original bid to run Oct. 2011 – June 2012 at a cost of 75% of their original bid of \$13,385.25. Ayes: Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None. Abstention: Baker.

Supt. Earleywine provided copies of the bid sheet for the HVAC service technician hourly rate and

material mark-up. This is bid out for the purpose of work that would need to be completed on an as needed basis or in emergency situations. IMC bid the lower hourly rate at \$75 per hour with a material mark up of 30%. In speaking with Paul Engel at IMC he suggested that IMC's bid rate would hold true if we use IMC services for the service agreement or we use their services on a regular basis. Otherwise the rate would be \$93 per hour. CW Suter bid a service technician hourly rate of \$80 per hour with the service agreement and a material mark up of 30%. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Williams to approve the service technician hourly rate of \$ 80.00 to C.W. Suter's. Ayes: Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None. Abstention: Baker.

Supt. Earleywine discussed IMC not bidding the temperature control technician or the temperature control programmer hourly rate because they do not have the personnel to work on our temperature controls. CW Suter bid \$90 per hour for the temperature control technician and the temperature control programmer hourly rate. Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to approve the temperature control technician and the temperature control programmer hourly rate of \$90 per hour to CW Suter. Ayes: Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None. Abstention: Baker.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the Music Boosters wanting to become part of the SB-L activity account. The Warrior Zone activity boosters are now part of the SB-L activity account as well. This allows these groups to continue to be a non-profit entity under the school district rather than a standalone 501 (c) 3. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Baker to approve SB-L Music Boosters to become part of the SB-L activity account. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine provided a copy of the Pre-School Handbook for review. Motion by Williams and seconded by Schaar to approve the Pre-School Handbook as presented. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine provided a copy of the USD student teacher agreement for review. Motion by Krogh and seconded by Schaar to approve the USD student teacher agreement. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine met with the board technology committee along with Daniel, Nathan and Brad to discuss our needs concerning network support services. We believe our needs have changed and a new RFP needs to be developed and put out to bid. Our current vendor will be allowed to submit a bid based upon the terms and conditions of the new RFP. They also scheduled a District Technology Committee meeting to update them on our technology, discuss our needs and get feedback from this committee. Motion by Baker and seconded by Williams to notify our current vendor of non renewal of our agreement due to our changing needs. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams. Nays: None.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the audit preliminary report. The auditors were in the district on Thursday and Friday, Sept 29 and 30th. He included a copy of the audit summary for review. The detailed audit will be presented at a later date.

Supt. Earleywine provided a copy of the district's unspent authorized budget and solvency ratio for fiscal year 2010-2011. These are still estimates at this time but should be very close to the actual numbers.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the board needing to review and update the board goals for 2011-2012. He included a copy of the 2010-2011 Goals for review along with some of his recommendations. Some suggestions and changes were made to the goals.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the district web site being updated.

Supt. Earleywine discussed needing to advertise for the lease of 33 acres of district owned farm land.

Supt. Earleywine reviewed the School District Funding power point.

Supt. Earleywine discussed the Governor's Blueprint for Education.

Items of interest for next month: Accountability of staff and what the contract says about hours worked.

Jenni McCrory recognized the local groups that helped with the Walk to School Day: Simpco, 185<sup>th</sup> Air Guard, Sergeant Bluff Rec, Long Lines, Pioneer Bank, SB-L PTO, Kiwanis and the news coverage. She also recognized Mr. Terwee and Mrs. Wulf-McGrath for taking kids to the ground breaking ceremony for Camp High Hopes.

Motion by Williams and seconded by Krogh to adjourn. Ayes: Baker, Krogh, Schaar, Williams.  
Nays: None.

Adjourn at 8:29 p.m.

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District Secretary

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Board President

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_