

Dr. Earleywine presented a new contract for Richard Twohig as a part-time custodian, Level 1, \$11.04 per hour. Motion by Schaar and seconded by Williams to approve Richard Twohig as a part-time custodian, Level 1 \$11.04 per hour. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided copies of bus specifications for a new bus. Chris Plendl would like to purchase a 77 passenger bus. The bid specs will be sent to Blue Bird, Thomas and International. The board will review and award the bid at the February board meeting. Motion by Baker and seconded by Williams to approve the specifications for the purchase of a new bus as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the At Risk/Dropout Prevention Modified Allowable Growth. Each year we are allowed to apply for modified allowable growth to help cover costs associated with at risk students and dropout prevention. Motion by Laughlin and seconded by Baker to approve the At Risk/Drop-out Prevention modified allowable growth application in the amount of \$349,799 for the 2015-2016 school year. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the City of Sergeant Bluff asking for a letter of support concerning the annexation of approximately 80 acres of land owned by the Sergeant Bluff-Luton CSD. Motion by Schaar and seconded Baker to approve a letter of support concerning the City of Sergeant Bluff's annexation of approximately 80 acres of land owned by the Sergeant Bluff-Luton Community School District. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine provided a copy of the District Developed Special Education Service Delivery Plan for review. This plan must be reviewed and approved by the board. Motion by William and seconded by Laughlin to approve the District Developed Special Education Service Delivery Plan as presented. Ayes: All Present. Nays: None.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the Technology Support RFP. He provided a copy for review. The board discussed the RFP and what services should be included. The new draft will be distributed with the suggested changes.

Dr. Earleywine provided a Technology Committee update. The District Technology Committee met on Dec. 15. Discussion centered on the planned refresh of computers for students and staff for the 15-16 school year. We are in the process of developing an RFP and bid specs for the new devices. Nathan and Dustin have been testing various brands and models to help us make the best decisions possible as we continue to expand the implementation of technology into our instructional practices. The current draft plan is to utilize Chromebooks K-8 and PCs for 9-12.

Dr. Earleywine discussed the Iowa Department of Education ruling concerning the school start date. He provided a copy of the letter he received from Dr. Buck. Unless we apply for and receive a waiver, the earliest we will be able to start with students will be Monday, Aug. 31. The administration team has met and established a list of reasons to start earlier. This list will be presented to the board for approval. The board discussed professional development days.

Items of interest for next month: School calendar, Music Boosters' Band Uniforms.