

Board of Education Meeting 08/12/2024 - 05:00 PM

Waterloo Career Center, Room 108 1348 Katoski Drive Waterloo, IA

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

Voting Members

Astor Williams, Board President Lyle Schmitt, Board Vice President (by phone) Jonathan Cox, Board Member Janelle Ewing, Board Member Jesse Knight, Board Member Krystal Madlock, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Dr. Jared Smith, Superintendent Amy Schmidt, Executive Director of Teaching & Learning Jeff Sommerfeldt, Chief Financial Officer / Board Treasurer Pam Arndorfer, Board Secretary

Absent

Stacie Mills, Board Member Anthony Spurgetis, Chief Human Resources Officer

I. Call to Order

Due to an HVAC upgrade project at the Education Service Center, the Board of Education met for the August 12, 2024, board meeting in Room 108 of the Waterloo Career Center.

President Williams called the meeting to order at 5:14pm.

II. Moment of Silence

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Mission Statement

The Waterloo Schools Mission Statement was read by Director Cox.

V. Information from Individuals and Delegations

- Rich Kurtenbach, 238 Normandy, shared his concerns regarding the design, bid, build, construction process being used for the proposed high school project
- Todd Obadal, 124 Amity Drive, spoke about the petition process regarding the proposed high school project

- The following individuals spoke regarding Lifewise Academy, asking the District to consider adopting a policy to allow students to attend religious instruction classes off campus during the school day
 - Matt Johnson, 32 Crane Creek Road, Waterloo
 - Sarah Buzysinski, 4735 Wesley Drive, Waterloo
 - Hong Winkelpleck, 400 Home Park Blvd, Waterloo
- Dwight Dierks, 810 Lisa Drive, shared concerns about funding and expenses associated with the proposed high school project, urging the board to put the project to hold
- Marvin Carroll, 607 East Airline Highway, spoke about petition signatures secured and shared concerns about the proposed high school project
- April Melton, 203 Westbourne Road, shared that she turned in petition signatures earlier this
 evening and asked board members who supported the bond resolution to reconsider their
 support

VI. Consent Agenda

The Superintendent's recommendation is that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda including items i through iii as presented.

Motion made by: Janelle Ewing Motion seconded by: Jesse Knight

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

- i. Approval of Minutes: July 29, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
- ii. Personnel Appointments and Adjustments
- iii. Bills Due & Payable and Bills Paid Between Board Meetings

VII. ARP-HCY Resource Hub Mini Grant Acceptance

The Superintendent's recommendation is that the Board of Education accepts the ARP-HCY Resource Hub Mini Grant in the amount of \$10,000 from the lowa Department of Education as outlined.

Motion made by: Jesse Knight

Motion seconded by: Krystal Madlock

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

Adriane Carlson, Associate Director of Student Services, provided information.

VIII. Technology Purchase

The Superintendent's recommendation is that the Board of Education approve a three-year purchase agreement of Google Workspace for Education Plus with K12 Tech Pro at a cost of \$43,346.75 per year.

Motion made by: Jesse Knight Motion seconded by: Janelle Ewing

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

Matt O'Brien, Director of Technology, provided information.

IX. Engagement Letter for Bond Underwriter

The Superintendent's recommendation is that the Board of Education approves the engagement letter with DA Davidson to serve as underwriters for 2024 School Infrastructure Sales and Services Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds.

Motion made by: Jesse Knight Motion seconded by: Jonathan Cox

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

Jeff Sommerfeldt, Chief Financial Officer, provided information.

X. Resolution Fixing the Date of Sale of Approximately \$14,540,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2024, and Approving Official Statement

The Superintendent's recommendation is that the Board of Education approve the resolution fixing the date of sale of approximately \$14,540,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2024, and approve the Official Statement.

Motion made by: Jesse Knight Motion seconded by: Janelle Ewing

Voting:

Astor Williams - Yes
Lyle Schmitt - Yes
Jonathan Cox - Yes
Janelle Ewing - Yes
Jesse Knight - Yes
Krystal Madlock - Yes

Jeff Sommerfeldt, Chief Financial Officer, provided information.

RESOLUTION FIXING THE DATE OF SALE OF APPROXIMATELY \$14,540,000 SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE SALES, SERVICES AND USE TAX REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2024, AND APPROVING OFFICIAL STATEMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 423F, the Board of Directors of the Waterloo Community School District (the "Issuer") is currently entitled to receive proceeds of the statewide School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use tax; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an election duly held in the District in accordance therewith on March 3, 2020, and pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 423F, the Board of Directors of the Waterloo Community School District approved a Revenue Purpose Statement and is currently entitled to expend proceeds of the statewide School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use tax; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it advisable and necessary that Bonds authorized at the election be offered for sale for the purpose authorized at the election, and it is in the best interest to issue Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it in the best interests of the School District and the residents thereof to negotiate for the purchase of the School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATERLOO

COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF BLACK HAWK, STATE OF IOWA:

- 1. That School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2024, in the aggregate amount of approximately \$14,540,000 (the "Bonds"), to be issued and dated September 23, 2024, be offered for sale on August 26, 2024.
- 2. That the preliminary Official Statement in the form presented to this meeting be and the same hereby is approved as to form and deemed final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, subject to such revisions, corrections or modifications as the Superintendent and Board Secretary, upon the advice of Disclosure Counsel and the District's Municipal Advisor, shall determine to be appropriate, and is authorized to be distributed in connection with the offering of the Bonds for sale.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of August, 2024.

XI. Board Policy Changes - First Reading

This item was presented as Information Only. Pam Arndorfer, Assistant to the Superintendent/Board Secretary, provided information.

XII. Superintendent's Report

- Petition signatures were received prior to tonight's board meeting Pam Arndorfer will work to verify signatures over the next few days and we will follow up with legal counsel to determine next steps
- We are excited for tomorrow's New Teacher/Partner-in-Education breakfast board members are encouraged to attend if they are able

XIII. Information from Board Members

Each board member was given the opportunity to comment.

XIV. Adjourn

The Superintendent's recommendation is that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Motion made by: Jesse Knight Motion seconded by: Janelle Ewing Voting: Unanimously Approved

The meeting adjourned at 6:11pm.

Pamela G. Arndorfer, Board Secretary