

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**February 10, 2016**

The Board of Directors of the Sigourney Community School District met in regular session on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at the Sigourney Jr/Sr High School Media Center, Sigourney, Iowa. Board members present included Mark O'Rourke, Denise Conrad, Anne Arduser, Ruth Manchester, Chuck Moore, and Shellie Striegel. Justin Boender was absent. Also present: Superintendent Dave Harper, Elementary Principal Deanna Hutchings, Jr/Sr High Principal Shannon Webb, Athletic Director Lee Crawford, Maintenance Director Don Deutsch, and Business Manager/Board Secretary Susan Huls.

**Call Meeting to Order:** Mark O'Rourke called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Manchester moved, seconded by Striegel to open the meeting. Motion carried 6/0.

**Good News/Comments:** Mr. Harper and Ms. Webb commented on the excitement at the wrestling tournament last night; Shellie Striegel complimented the Honor Band, Ms. Louwsma gave the Speech competition results, and Mr. Harper noted that the drama students presented at the Kiwanis meeting.

**Focus on Education:** Joleen Louwsma introduced Stacy Moore, Colin Svenby, and Eric Meiners who performed their Musical Theatre competition pieces for the board.

**Approve Agenda:** Striegel moved, seconded by Conrad to approve the agenda. Motion carried 6/0.

**Welcome Visitors and Guests/Public Comment:** Mark O'Rourke welcomed visitors and guests Jenny Bell and Julie Tremmel.

**Consent Agenda:** Conrad moved, seconded by Arduser to approve the consent section of the agenda to include the minutes of the January 13, 2016 board meeting, the list of bills including the additional list presented for the amount of \$4,772.34 and the financial reports. Motion carried 6/0.

**Action Items:** Manchester moved, seconded by Conrad to approve Jenny Thompson's resignation from the Sigourney Community School District as associate and coach effective at the end of the 2015-16 school year. Motion carried 6/0.

Conrad moved, seconded by Striegel to approve Drew Bahlmann as Trap Shooting Coach for the 2015-2016 school year; Paula Rasplicka as Administrative Assistant beginning July 1, 2016, and Bruce Hahn as JH Boys Track Coach for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried 6/0.

Striegel moved, seconded by Arduser to approve the Teacher Quality Committee school calendar for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried 6/0.

Manchester moved, seconded by Conrad to approve advertising for the removal of the old elementary playground equipment. Motion carried 6/0.

Conrad moved, seconded by Arduser to approve Jenny Thompson's application to participate in the Early Retirement Incentive Plan offered by the district as per the guidelines of the approved plan. Motion carried 6/0.

Manchester moved, seconded by Conrad to approve increasing lunch prices by .10¢ for the 2016-2017 school year as required by the School Nutrition Program price adjustment calculator. Motion carried 6/0.

Conrad moved, seconded by Striegel to approve the quote from DR&C to replace the JHHS kitchen roof at a cost of \$25,400 to be completed prior to the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried 6/0.

Manchester moved, seconded by Conrad to approve the quote from DR&C to replace the JHHS band room roof at a cost of \$29,140 to be completed prior to the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried 6/0.

Conrad moved, seconded by Arduser to approve the request for modified supplemental amount of \$136,722 to fund our At Risk/ Drop-Out Prevention programs. Motion carried 6/0.

Conrad moved, seconded by Arduser to approve the Resolution of Support for the High School science room remodels, all-weather track & weight room improvements for funding from the Washington County Riverboat Foundation. Motion carried 6/0.

Conrad moved, seconded by Moore to approve the 28E Sharing Agreement with the Pekin Community School District to share the services of superintendent at 50% beginning July 1, 2016. Motion carried 6/0.

**Committee Reports:** Finance, waived; Bldgs. & Grounds- Mr. Harper reported that there will be two additional architects coming soon to review the proposed projects; the estimated costs of renovating the locker rooms ourselves, and that he has requested a quote on replacing the ceiling at the entrance area of the high school. Negotiations, no report; Policy met earlier today. Will present first reading in March.

Administration and Director's reports were included in the board packets.

**Closed Session:** At 6:23 pm, Conrad moved, seconded by Manchester to hold a closed session as authorized by section 21.5(1) (i) of the open meetings law. Roll call vote: O'Rourke, aye; Conrad, aye; Arduser, aye; Manchester, aye; Moore, aye; Striegel, aye. Motion carried 6/0.

Return to open session at 7:00 pm.

**Adjourn:** Conrad moved, seconded by Manchester to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm. Motion carried 6/0.

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Mark O'Rourke, President

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Susan Huls, Secretary