

DES MOINES PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
BOARDROOM — 1800 GRAND AVENUE

MINUTES
JUNE 1, 2010

PUBLIC FORUM – 5:45 p.m.

Speakers: Heidi Bagg, 2509 48th Street

The Board of Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, June 1, 2010, in the boardroom at 1800 Grand Ave., Connie Boesen presiding.

Present: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods
Absent: None

REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 p.m.

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Absent: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Boesen stated the following revisions to the agenda:

- Agenda Item No. 8, Award of Contracts on Bid, Custodial Equipment, the Bid No. should be B6140
- Preliminary plans for North High addition and renovations were available and finals plans and specifications will be formally presented for Board review and potential approval
- In the absence of Patti Schroeder, it was necessary to appoint an acting Board secretary and as Board president Ms. Boesen appointed Beth Nigut to fill that role

Ms. Strong moved to approve the agenda. Second by Link.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods
Nay: None
Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF May 18 and May 25, 2010

Ms. Link moved approval of the minutes of May 18 and May 25, 2010. Second by Buckton.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods
Nay: None

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Motion carried.

DISTRICT RECOGNITION

Dr. Sebring recognized Ruth Ann Gaines on winning the Apple Award from the Broadway League, the national trade association for the Broadway industry. Rachel Reiner from the Boardway League and Jeff Chelsvig, President and CEO of the Civic Center presented the award to Ms. Gaines.

Dr. Sebring introduced Greg Davis, Executive Director of Technology and he recognized Roxanne Conlin for her lawsuit against the Microsoft Corporation which allowed the district to receive a substantial amount of money for technology.

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Ms. Link moved approval of the consent items including payment of bills previously authorized and certified by the secretary and reviewed by her as paid in the amount of \$2,137,964.60 and unpaid bills in the amount of \$1,223,931.02. Second by Murphy.

Mrs. Woods asked about Contract 10-020, the contracting of package foods for summer meals and why the district is contracting this work when there are employees working in the summer in that could prepare those meals.

Mr. Bill Good responded the district is doing this at a lower cost.

Ms. Woods asked for figures demonstrating what the district is paying for this contract work vs. using district staff to prepare the meals.

Ms. Good responded he will provide those figures. He commented that labor costs exceed the proposed contract with ES Foods.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson asked if the revenue items in Contracts No. 10-017 and 10-018 reflect the reduced amounts those programs can expect.

Ms. Boesen confirmed the district had received information regarding reductions in funding.

Mr. Bryce Amos clarified on contract 10-019, the figure for the maximum annual amount the district will pay PACE should reflect \$100,000.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong
Nay: Woods
Motion carried.

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REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION — 7:10 p.m.

- Cost of contracting summer meals vs. district staff doing the work.
- List of support services available to the Board

CHAIR’S REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Sebring reported she and Connie Boesen will be in Washington DC next week and will represent the district. Ms. Boesen will be lobbying for preschool funding. They have a meeting scheduled with the assistant secretary of education. Dr. Sebring welcomed Melissa Spencer as a new leader of DMEA.

ADJOURN 7:14 p.m.

Item No. 7**Page 1 of 4****Subject: CONTRACTS FOR APPROVAL****For: ACTION****Contact: Various****Attachments: None**

Contract No. 10-017**Project:** 2010/11 Community Impact Investment Agreement**Contractor:** United Way of Central Iowa Women's Leadership Connection**Background:** For the past three years, United Way Women's Leadership Connection has provided funding for an intensive reading intervention program for students in grades K-5th at Carver Elementary School. Curriculum and services for an intensive after school tutoring program are provided to the school. Students attend four days per week based on student need. 78 students attended during the 2009/10 school year. The Houghton Mifflin Voyager Passport Curriculum is currently being used.**Financial:**

Revenues: \$35,000.00

Expenses: \$0

Funding Source: United Way of Central Iowa Women's Leadership Connection**Term:** July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011**New or Renewal:** Renewal**Contact:** Susie Guest
(susie.guest@dmps.k12.ia.us; 323-8612)**Contract No. 10-018****Project:** 2010/11 Community Impact Investment Agreement**Contractor:** United Way of Central Iowa Women's Leadership Connection

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Background: For the past three years, United Way Women's Leadership Connection has provided funding for two preschool teachers and two associates at Carver Elementary. The students are from the neighborhood and meet income requirements. Next school year United Way would like to expand to Moulton Elementary and will provide partial funding for a preschool teacher and associate. The preschool classrooms support United Way's mission of school readiness and preparing children to enter school developmentally on track in terms of literacy, social, emotional, and intellectual skills

Financial:

Revenues: \$215,000.00

Expenses: \$0

Funding Source: United Way of Central Iowa Women's Leadership Connection

Term: July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011

New or Renewal: Renewal

Contact: Susie Guest

(susie.guest@dmps.k12.ia.us; 323-8612)

Contract No. 10-019

Project: School Based Supervision Program with Iowa Department of Human Services, DMPS, Orchard Place-PACE Juvenile Center

Contractor: None.

Background: The parties to the agreement have retained PACE Juvenile Center to provide school based services to assist youth in achieving positive self improvement, accountability, and judgment that will enhance community safety.

Financial:

Expenses: The maximum monthly amount that the district will pay PACE is \$20,634.33, and the maximum annual amount that the district will pay PACE is \$100,000.00.

Funding: General Fund

Term: July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011

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New or Renewal: Renewal

Contact: Bryce Amos

(bryce.amos@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7660)

Contract No. 10-020

Project: Summer Meals

Contractor: ES Foods

Background: Pre-packaged meals are used for the summer meal program to meet the needs of field trips, special programs and fluctuations in attendance at meal sites. ES Foods provides a meal that meets the nutritional requirements of the National School Lunch Program, utilizes commodity food allocations and meets storage requirements at the Central Nutrition Center.

Financial:

Expenses: \$51,055.20

Funding Source: Food and Nutrition

Term: one year

New or Renewal: New

Contact: Sandy Huisman

(sandy.huisman@dmps.k12.ia.us 242-7712)

Contract No. 10-021

Project: Purchase Order for Legal Fees

Contractor: N/A

Background: This is to approve up to \$300,000 to be expended for outside legal fees during the 2010-11 school year. This is an approximation.

Funding: General Fund

Term: July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011

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Contract No. 10-022

Project: Hoover High School Heating and Cooling Controls

Contractor: Johnson Controls

Background: Johnson Controls agrees to provide DMPS with materials and labor to retrofit the heating and cooling system controls at Hoover High School.

Financial:

Revenues: \$0

Funding Source: 23HVENERGY-0450

Expenses: \$89,994

Term: June 2010 to July 2011

New or Renewal: New

Contact: Bill Good

(harold.good@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-8321)

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Subject: AWARD OF CONTRACTS ON BID

For: ACTION

Contacts: Various

Attachments: None

Issue: Bids have been advertised, issued and received for various equipment items, supplies, and services as outlined below.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the contracts as shown below be approved.

Background: The suggested bid awards and detailed information for each of the bids are as shown below.

Where cost comparisons are shown, they are merely a representative sample of the item on the bid, and are not intended to be all inclusive.

A. B6133 Waste Management and Recycling Services FY 2010-2011

Artistic Disposal	Des Moines, IA	\$ 204,595.00
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Bids were examined by the purchasing and custodial services departments. A complete tabulation is available in the purchasing department. The bid is being awarded to the lowest bidder meeting specifications.

Eight bids were sent out, four bids were received; four no response

Funding: Funds available in custodial services account

Contacts: Kyle Black/Sheila Mason

(kyle.black@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7584/sheila.mason@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7980)

B. Bid 6140 for Custodial Equipment

Capital Sanitary	Des Moines, IA	1 item	\$ 8,533.20
Amsan	Urbandale, IA	<u>4 items</u>	<u>\$ 36,816.00</u>
Total		5 items	\$ 45,349.20

The suggested awards are low bids meeting specifications.

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Bids were examined by the purchasing and custodial services departments.

A complete tabulation of the bid is available.

21 bids were mailed, nine bids were received, and 12 did not respond.

Funding: Funds are provided in PPEL, custodial services and operations management accounts.

Equipment to be used at various locations based on need.

Contacts: Sheila Mason/Kyle Black

(sheila.mason@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7980/kyle.black@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7584)

C. Bid 5133-07 for Incidental Office Supplies

Office Depot (Incidental Office Supplies) Estimated Award \$ 275,000.00

The vendor has agreed to extend the contract at last year's terms. Increases from year to year are due to increase in price and usage. Discount percentages have remained the same throughout this contract period.

Incidental office supplies are requested by various sites throughout the district.

This is the third extension.

2009-2010 Estimated Expense	\$271,166.77
2008-2009 Estimated Expense	\$223,782.41
2007-2008 Estimated Expense	\$250,000.00

Funding: Funds are provided by various account numbers throughout the district when ordered by each department or building.

Contact: Sheila Mason

(sheila.mason@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7980)

D. Bid 5246-09 Food Service Paper and Plastic FY 2010-2011

National Paper Corp	Omaha, NE	5 items	Est. Award	\$ 16,112.00
Sink Paper	Urbandale, IA	29 items	Est. Award	\$ 38,266.00
Iowa Des Moines Supply	Des Moines, IA	16 items	Est. Award	<u>\$ 46,322.00</u>

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Total Estimated Amount

\$100,700.00

The vendors agreed to extend the contract with last year's terms and conditions. Food service paper and plastics are used throughout the district. The food service paper and plastics are ordered as needed by food and nutrition programs.

Funding: Funds are provided in food and nutrition management account.

This is the first extension.

2009-2010 Estimated Expense \$ 95,900.00

Contacts: Sheila Mason/Sandy Huisman

(sheila.mason@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7980/sandy.huisman@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7636)

E. Bid 5127-07 for High Speed Digital Stencil Duplicators — Rental

Midwest Office Technology Des Moines, Iowa

\$ 200,000.00

The vendor has agreed to extend the contract at the same cost per copy of \$.0072 which includes machine rental, Hecon keypads, all supplies, parts and labor, but excludes paper.

This is the third extension.

2007-2008	Actual	\$ 165,876.57
2008-2009	Actual	\$ 207,305.12
2009-2010	Estimated Expense	\$ 157,000.00

Funding: Funds available in various district-wide accounts

Contacts: Greg Davis/Bill Schoenenberger

(greg.davis@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7773/bill.schoenenberger@dmps.k12.ia.us;8192)

F. Bid 5243-09 Community Education Catalog (Distribution Only)

Des Moines Register

Des Moines, IA

Est.	\$ 32,000.00
	\$ 32,000.00

The vendor has agreed to extend the contract. The catalogs are distributed throughout the Greater Des Moines area to publicize our programs in the community at large.

This is the first extension.

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2009-2010 Estimated Award \$ 32,000.00

Funding: Funds are provided in community education account: 24DWCONTED-0550

Contact: David Albee
(david.albee@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-8529)

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Subject: STAFF COMPENSATION FOR 2010-2011

For: ACTION

Contact: Twyla Woods

Attachments: 10-024/10-025

(twyla.woods@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7972)

TEACHERS

Teacher Election List is Attachment 10-025

Issue: Teachers salaries for the 2010/11 contract year. This group was represented by collective bargaining.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2010/11 total compensation package for the listed employee group.

Background: Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa will continue to be the exclusive health insurance carrier. Alliance Select deductibles will remain at \$1000/\$2000 and out-of-pocket maximums will remain at \$2000/\$4000. A three-tiered prescription drug plan continues with co-pays of 10/30/50. Blue Access deductible will remain at \$500/\$1000. Blue Access also has a three-tiered prescription drug plan with 10/30/50 co-pays. Life and Disability coverage will remain with Principal. No coverage changes are being made.

Total Compensation Package

Teachers = 1.98%

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS/NURSES/ASSOCIATES

Issue: Substitute salaries for the 2010/11 contract year. This group is not represented by collective bargaining.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the board approve the 2010/11 total compensation package for the listed employee groups.

Background:

Substitute Teachers	
• Daily Rate	\$127 per day (no benefits)
• After 10 consecutive days in an assignment	\$162 per day (no benefits)
• After 80 consecutive days in an assignment may be placed on appropriate salary schedule	(eligible for benefits)

Substitute Nurses	
• Degree	\$127 per day (no benefits)
• After 10 consecutive days in an assignment	\$162 per day (no benefits)
• RN	\$122 per day (no benefits)
• After 10 consecutive days of an assignment	\$157 per day (no benefits)
Substitute Associates	
• Daily Rate	\$77 per day (no benefits)
• After 10 consecutive school days in the same assignment (Substitute Associates will be paid retro starting on the 11 th day of their assignment.)	\$82 per day (no benefits)

ADMINISTRATORS

Administrator Election List is Attachment 10-024

Issue: Administrators salaries for the 2010-2011 contract year. This group is not represented by collective bargaining.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2010-2011 total compensation package for the listed employee group.

Background: Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa will continue to be the exclusive health insurance carrier. Alliance Select deductibles will remain at \$1000/\$2000 and out-of-pocket maximums will remain at \$2000/\$4000. A three-tiered prescription drug plan continues with co-pays of 10/30/50. Blue Access deductible will remain at \$500/\$1000. Blue Access also has a three-tiered prescription drug plan with 10/30/50 co-pays. Life and Disability coverage will remain with Principal. No coverage changes are being made.

The total compensation package for this group will be:

Administrators	1.98%
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SPECIALISTS

Issue: Specialists salaries for the 2010/11 contract year. This group is not represented by collective bargaining.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2010/11 total compensation package for the listed employee group.

Background: Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa will continue to be the exclusive health insurance carrier. Alliance Select deductibles will remain at \$1000/\$2000 and out-of-pocket maximums will remain at \$2000/\$4000. A three-tiered prescription drug plan continues with co-pays of 10/30/50. Blue Access deductible will remain at \$500/\$1000. Blue Access also has a three-tiered prescription drug plan with 10/30/50 co-pays. Life and Disability coverage will remain with Principal. No coverage changes are being made.

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The total compensation package for this group will be:

Specialists	1.98%
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PARAPROFESSIONALS

Issue: Paraprofessional salaries for the 2010/11 contract year. These groups are not represented by collective bargaining.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2010/11 total compensation package for the listed employee groups.

Background: Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa will continue to be the exclusive health insurance carrier. Alliance Select deductibles will remain at \$1000/\$2000 and out-of-pocket maximums will remain at \$2000/\$4000. A three-tiered prescription drug plan continues with co-pays of 10/30/50. Blue Access deductible will remain at \$500/\$1000. Blue Access also has a three-tiered prescription drug plan with 10/30/50 co-pays. Life and Disability coverage will remain with Principal. No coverage changes are being made.

The total compensation package for these groups will be:

Campus Monitors	1.98%
Executive Secretaries	1.98%
Hearing Interpreters	1.98%
Sign Language Interpreters	1.98%
Support Staff	1.98%
Tutors	1.98%

CHILD CARE TEAM LEADERS AND FOOD SERVICE MANAGERS

Issue: Staff salaries for the 2010/11 contract year. These groups are not represented by collective bargaining.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2010/11 total compensation package for the listed employee groups.

Background: Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Iowa will continue to be the exclusive health insurance carrier. Alliance Select deductibles will remain at \$1000/\$2000 and out-of-pocket maximums will remain at \$2000/\$4000. A three-tiered prescription drug plan continues with co-pays of 10/30/50. Blue Access deductible will remain at \$500/\$1000. Blue Access also has a three-tiered prescription drug plan with 10/30/50

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co-pays. Life and disability coverage will remain with Principal. No coverage changes will be made.

The total compensation package for these groups will be:

Food Service Managers	1.98%
Child Care Team Leaders (all participate in Blue Access)	1.98%

Item No. 10**Page 1 of 1****Subject: PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS****For: ACTION****Contact: Twyla Woods**
(twyla.woods@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7972)**Attachments: None**

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board approve the personnel recommendations.

Background:**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Name	School, Position	Effective Date	Reason
Thorson, Erica	Student and Family Services, Speech Language Pathologist	08/10-08/11	Family responsibilities

RESIGNATION

Name	School, Position	Effective Date	Reason
Abbott Lewis, Ann	Hiatt, Reading	06/08/10	Position out of district
King, Terri	Pleasant Hill, 1st Grade	06/08/10	Moving
Koenigs, Kjersten	Moulton, Multicategorical	06/08/10	Position out of district
Parsons, Danielle	Roosevelt, Counselor	06/08/10	New job
Person, Karen	Student and Family Services, Psychologist	06/08/10	Personal
Rich, Joseph	Merrill, Student Services Coordinator	06/08/10	Personal
Utman, Nancy	Lincoln, Counselor	06/08/10	Personal

COACHING DIFFERENTIAL

School	Name	Position	Effective Date	Amount
East	Schoon, Greg	Head Football	05/24/2010	\$6,281.
Hoover	Rice, Tim	Assistant Baseball	05/01/2010	\$2,599.
Lincoln	Grier, Bradley	Assistant Baseball	05/01/2010	\$2,599.

COACHING RESIGNATION

School	Name	Position	Effective Date
East	Roberts, Richard	Head Football	04/28/2010
East	Schoon, Greg	Assistant Football	05/24/2010
Hoover	Thorsen, Eric	Head/Assistant Swim	05/19/2010
Hoover	Imhoff, Jay	Head Girls Tennis	05/20/2010
Lincoln	Beckel, Adam	Assistant Football	05/01/2010
Lincoln	Hiesterman, Gerald	Assistant Football	05/01/2010
Lincoln	McClelland, Scott	Assistant Football	05/01/2010

ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT

Name	Position	Amount	Effective Date
Cook, Kathryn	Special Education Zone Administrator, Student Services	\$89,265	7/1/2010

Masters Degree in Education, University of Northern Iowa, 2001. Bachelors Degree in Education, University of Northern Iowa, 1996. Experience: Special Education Lead Support, North Zone, Des Moines School District, 2007-present; Special Education Teacher, Jackson Elementary School, Des Moines School District, 2003-2004; Special Education Consultant, North Zone, Des Moines School District, 2004-2007; 7th Grade Multi-categorical Resource Teacher, McCombs Middle School, Des Moines School District, 2002-2003; Third Grade Teacher, Lakewood Elementary, Norwalk School District, 2000-2002; Fourth Grade Collaborative Teacher, Lakewood Elementary, Norwalk School District, 1998-2000; Severe and Profound Special Education Teacher, Beaver Creek Elementary, Johnston School District, 1996-1998; Address: Johnston, Iowa.

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Subject: LIST OF BILLS FOR APPROVAL

For: ACTION

Contact: Patricia Schroeder

(patricia.schroeder@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-8527)

Attachments: None

Issue: A list of bills will be furnished to the Board of Directors at the Board meeting for approval. The secretary will be glad to furnish information as requested on any of these items. Prior to the meeting, one member of the board will have checked this list with the invoices.

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Subject: SALE OF JEFFERSON WOODS

For: PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION

Contact: BILL GOOD

(harold.good@dmps.k12.ia.us: 242-8321)

Attachments: None

Issue: Sale of property located at Southwest 26th Street, between Thornton Avenue and Watrous Avenue, Des Moines, IA. The resolution to hold the public hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on May 20, 2010.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends that the Board hold a public hearing and then approve the sale of Jefferson Woods located at Southwest 26th Street, between Thornton Avenue and Watrous Avenue to Steve Dawdy and Luke Dawdy, in the amount of \$110,000.00.

Presenters: None. Bill Good will be present to answer any questions.

Background: Since January 2010, the district has been actively marketing this property. Previous bids were declined and we now have an offer significantly higher.

Minutes

Ms. Boesen called the public hearing to order. There being no speakers she closed the public hearing and Dr. Sebring introduced the matter recommending the Board approve the sale of Jefferson Woods.

Ms. Strong moved to approve the sale of Jefferson Woods. Second by Link.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson wanted to confirm this property will be sold as is.

Ms. Boesen responded the property will be sold as is.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods

Nay: None

Motion carried.

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Subject: SALE OF 1800 EAST EUCLID

For: PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION

Contact: BILL GOOD

(harold.good@dmps.k12.ia.us: 242-8321)

Attachments: None

Issue: Sale of property located at 1800 East Euclid, Des Moines, Iowa. The resolution to hold the public hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on May 20, 2010.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends that the Board hold a public hearing and then approve the sale of 1800 East Euclid to AWS-DSM, LLC of Minneapolis, Minnesota in the amount of \$420,000.00

Presenters: None. Bill Good will be present to answer any questions.

Background: Since January 2010, the district has been actively marketing this property. Previous bids were declined and we now have an offer significantly higher.

Minutes

Ms. Boesen called the public hearing to order. There being no speakers she closed the public hearing and Dr. Sebring introduced the matter recommending the Board approve the sale of 1800 East Euclid.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson moved to approve the sale of 1800 East Euclid. Second by Murphy.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods

Nay: None

Motion carried

Item No. 14**Page 1 of 1****Subject: AMOS HIATT MIDDLE SCHOOL MASONRY REPAIR****For: PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION****Contact: BILL GOOD**

(harold.good@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-8321)

Attachments: None

Issue: Due to water leaks from masonry deterioration the building is in need of masonry repair. The resolution to hold the public hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on May 26, 2010.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board approve the plans and specifications and estimate of construction cost (\$250,000) to be prepared by Angelo Architects and facility management for the repairs to the envelope of the masonry building.

Presenters: None. Bill Good will be available to answer any questions.

Background: To correct moisture infiltration problems masonry will be removed and replaced. Bids will be solicited as detailed in Chapter 26 of the Iowa Code. Bids are due on June 9, 2010. Facility Management will seek Board approval of the lowest responsive, responsible bid at the Board meeting on June 15, 2010. Plans are available at facility management.

Funding Source: PPEL

Minutes

Ms. Boesen called the public hearing to order. There being no speakers she closed the public hearing and Dr. Sebring introduced the matter recommending the Board approve the plans and specifications for repairs to the Hiatt Middle School building.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson moved to approve the recommendation for the repairs. Second by Buckton.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods

Nay: None

Motion carried.

Item No. 15
Page 1 of 1**Subject: AWARD OF BID NO. B6125 — STUDENT DROP OFF FOR COWLES SCHOOL****For: PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION****Contact: BILL GOOD**

(harold.good@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-8321)

Attachments: None

Issue: Conduct a public hearing and award of contract for a new student drop off at Cowles School. The resolution to hold the public hearing was published in the Des Moines Register on May 19, 2010.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board conduct the public hearing and award a contract for the base bid to the lowest responsive/responsible bidder, DDVI of Indianola, IA in the amount of \$130,000.

Presenters: None. Bill Good will be present to answer any questions.

Background: This project is financed by the statewide penny funding.

- Base Bid: Installation of a new student drop off lane and parking lot to improve student safety.

The district received bids on May 25, 2010. The results are as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid
DDVI	\$130,000
Jensen Builders	\$130,300
Absolute Concrete	\$136,970
Concrete Technologies	\$138,900
Grimes Asphalt	\$146,410
Edge Commercial	\$167,100
Elder Corporation	\$204,264

Funding Source: Statewide Penny (Students First Program)

Minutes

Ms. Boesen called the public hearing to order. There being no speakers she closed the public hearing and Dr. Sebring introduced the matter recommending the Board approve the contract for the student drop off for Cowles Elementary.

Ms. Strong moved to approve the construction of the student drop off at Cowles. Second by Link.

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Mrs. Woods asked if this project was being awarded to the same contractor that worked at Callanan and commented that, if so, she thinks the bid that was \$300 higher would be the better choice.

Mr. Good responded that DDVI is being recommended because they are a responsible licensed contractor in this community and they were the lowest responsive bidder and the district will hold the company accountable.

Ms. Nigut commented that in order for the Board to declare a bidder non-responsive, non-responsible, there has to be a public hearing where the district would have to provide reasons why the position was taken that the company was non-responsive and non-responsible and they would have the option to refute that. There is a process to declare a bidder non-responsive and non-responsible.

Mr. Good commented that some of the concepts that students at Cowles suggested were incorporated with this drop off design.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods

Pass: Murphy

Nay: Woods

Motion carried.

Item No. 17**Page 1 of 3****Subject: IOWA SCHOOL MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT****For: INFORMATION****Contact: Greg Davis**
(greg.davis@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7773)**Attachments: None**

Issue: Iowa School Microsoft Settlement**Presenters:** None. Greg Davis will be available for questions.

Background: The Iowa School Microsoft Settlement is the result of the settlement of a class-action lawsuit brought by Iowa consumers and businesses concerning certain Microsoft software. As part of this settlement, over \$60,000,000 in program vouchers was made available to the Iowa Department of Education to be distributed to eligible public schools in Iowa.

Most schools in DMPS are eligible to receive program vouchers. Two types of program vouchers are provided: general purpose vouchers and software vouchers. General purpose vouchers can be used for purchases of eligible hardware and professional services related to professional development and technical support. Software vouchers may be used for reimbursement of purchases of software published or sold by any software provider including operating system software, word processing software, spreadsheet software, presentation software, desktop relational database software, web-authoring software, productivity suite software, and encyclopedia software.

In total, DMPS will receive \$2.6 million in general purpose vouchers and \$2.6 million in software vouchers, for a total of \$5.2 million in program vouchers. The vouchers can be redeemed for purchases through May of 2014. The vouchers are required to be used for technology integration strategies in support of the district's implementation of the Iowa Core. The program requires the district to select focus areas, and the district has selected the focus area of literacy in grades K-12, and math in grades 8-9.

All strategies developed for the program must be approved by the Iowa Department of Education before program vouchers can be accessed. The district is currently in the process of seeking approval for the first set of program strategies. As the program moves forward, additional strategies in support of the district's implementation of the Iowa Core will be developed and included in the project plan.

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Mr. Greg Davis was available for questions.

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Ms. Caldwell-Johnson wanted to confirm what this money can be used for.

Mr. Davis responded that the Microsoft school settlement is targeted toward implementation of the Iowa Core Curriculum [ICC] by the integration of technology in the classroom.

Ms. Buckton asked if the implementation of the software purchases were beginning at a particular grade level and wondered how the plan will evolve over the next four years.

Mr. Davis responded that the funding comes to schools but the projects are managed at the district level. There is an allocation of funding in this program that goes to almost every school in the district. Schools were chosen based on their percentage of students who qualify for free and reduced price lunch [FRPL], and every school in the state that was above the state midpoint was allocated funding on a per pupil basis based on 2007 enrollments. In this district, all but three buildings met that criterion. The funding is now allocated to buildings in the district, K-12, and strategies will be developed for each building in support of the ICC.

Ms. Link wanted to confirm that three buildings in the district were not allocated funding for this project but other funding sources are being looked at to make sure there is no inequity. Those three schools are Jefferson, Downtown School, and Cowles.

Mr. Murphy asked how the decision was made to align the Microsoft money with the ICC.

Mr. Davis responded that the settlement stipulated half the money that was not claimed by consumers would go to the Iowa Department of Education (DE). The DE then crafted a plan for allocation of its share of the money in support of the ICC.

Mr. Murphy asked if tying the money to the ICC leaves out areas in the curriculum that are not directly linked to it.

Mr. Davis responded that one area of the ICC that is an opportunity for schools to focus on is 21st century skills as a core area. 21st century skills can be adapted to include any curriculum area. In this district the areas are literacy and math for purposes of this project.

Dr. Sebring commented that the ICC does not require districts to offer certain courses, just that you meet the core expectations. The district is looking to embed those expectations in various curriculum areas.

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Mr. Murphy is concerned about ICC limitations being imposed by the DE and the district which would eliminate administrative and non-core academic uses of the funding.

Mr. Davis commented that one of the strategies is focused on data analysis in the classroom and collaboration among teachers.

Mrs. Wood said the district is already embedding math and literacy into all curriculum areas and asked how the money will affect something the district is already doing.

Dr. Sebring responded that the district is looking at expanding that emphasis.

Mr. Davis said that an area this money will have an immediate impact on next year is the area of professional development for technology integration. The funding requires that 30% of the general purpose money in this program be devoted to professional development.

Ms. Link asked for clarification about the general purpose money.

Mr. Davis responded the money comes to the schools in two buckets — the software vouchers and the general purpose vouchers. The general purpose vouchers can be used to support the professional development and a wide range of other things. The software vouchers can be used primarily for software and only for software that is on a prescribed list.

Ms. Boesen asked where the approved list of software comes from.

Mr. Davis responded the software list is part of the settlement. There is a wide range of software on the list other than Microsoft software. He commented the district is looking very closely at software the district really wants and is already investing in.

Ms. Boesen asked if there was a possibility the district wouldn't be able to spend all the money on software.

Mr. Davis responded there is a plan to make good use of the software vouchers.

Item No. 18**Page 1 of 2****Subject: ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE MIDDLE SCHOOL TO BE LOCATED AT 1800 GRAND AVENUE****For: ACTION****Contacts: David Johns/Tina Jensen****Attachments: None**

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Issue: Establishing a comprehensive secondary school to be located at 1800 Grand Avenue.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board approve the comprehensive secondary school.

Presenters: None. David Johns will be available for questions.

Background: On April 11, 2006, the Board approved the district's budget which included a commitment to establishing the first International Baccalaureate (IB) program in Iowa which is recognized worldwide for its rigorous international curriculum based on international educational standards.

On April 10, 2007, the Board approved the district's budget which recognized a continuing commitment toward funding the district's IB program and expressed the intent to provide opportunities for students across the district to experience the full IB continuum, which is from PK–12th grade.

On April 13, 2010, the Board approved the district's budget which includes a commitment to begin a comprehensive middle school at 1800 Grand Avenue to provide a continuation of IB education for elementary students from Park Avenue and Walnut Street, two IB candidate schools, as well as to students from other elementary schools who would like to begin the IB learning experience in middle school.

On May 4, 2010, the Board viewed and discussed the proposed pathway students would follow if they chose to stay in the IB programs from PK-12th grade in our district. This included the 6th–10th grade IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) to be housed at Central Campus in a comprehensive school tentatively called the Gateway School. Given that the IB MYP is delivered through eight subject areas and must be offered to all students enrolled in a school, the Gateway School must be recognized as a *comprehensive* school and not a program within Central Campus. Students enrolled in the Gateway School will not travel between Central Campus and a "home" middle school. They will spend the entire day at the Gateway School.

On May 18, 2010, the Board heard from a panel of students, teachers, parents and administrators affiliated with our IB schools and IB candidate schools. The intent of this

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panel was to communicate the impact IB programming has on a school community. The Board also received a projection for enrollment, staffing and a budget for the new Gateway School.

Minutes

Speaker: Jim Patch 2803 Stanton

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the plan to establish a comprehensive middle school at 1800 Grand. Second by Strong.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson wanted to confirm that the middle school project is not being accelerated in any way ahead of other projects that were scheduled in the 1800 Grand building.

Mr. Good responded the middle school program will be going into some existing rooms on the third floor so some programs are being moved around. The district is not expending dollars to accelerate the middle schools program.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods

Nay: None

Motion carried.

Item No. 19
Page 1 of 1**Subject: BOARD MEETING DATES FOR FY 2011****For: ACTION****Contact: Nancy Sebring****Attachments: None**

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Issue: The schedule for regular meetings of the Board of Directors needs to be approved for fiscal year 2010-2011.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board approve the dates listed below for regular meetings of the board of directors.

Presenters: None

Background: School Board Policy 241 states: Except in March, July and December, the regular meetings of the Board will be held on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Regular meetings in March, July and December shall be held on the second Tuesday.

The following dates are recommended for Board meetings during the 2010-2011 fiscal year:

July 13	January 4
August 3	January 18
August 17	February 1
September 7	February 15
September 21	March 8
October 5	April 5
October 19	April 19
November 2	May 3
November 16	May 17
December 14	June 7
	June 21

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Ms. Buckton moved to approve the dates for the Board meetings for 2011. Second by Link.

Aye: Boesen, Buckton, Caldwell-Johnson, Link, Murphy, Strong, Woods

Nay: None

Motion carried.

Item No. 20**Page 1 of 1****Subject: PRELIMINARY PLANS FOR HOOVER HIGH SCHOOL AND MEREDITH MIDDLE SCHOOL — ADDITION AND RENOVATIONS****For: INFORMATION****Contact: Bill Good**

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Attachments: None

Issue: Preliminary plans for Hoover High School and Meredith Middle School addition and renovations.

Presenters: None

Background: As part of Students First/Statewide Penny, preliminary plans are now available for review. At an upcoming Board meeting, final plans and specifications will be formally presented for Board review and potential approval.

The main focus of this project is an addition between Hoover and Meredith which will be a new joint library/technology center. The office at Hoover will be moved to the front of the building (within the previous library) and the existing office converted to classrooms.

Preliminary plans can be reviewed at the operations center at 1917 Dean Ave.

Minutes

Plans were available to Board members and were displayed in the Boardroom for the public. Mr. Bill Good gave a brief description of the preliminary design. He said the plans are also available at facilities management. He pointed out that the main focuses of the improvements are moving the office to the front of the building for better security and community service and building a new, shared media center between Hoover and Meredith that the schools will share. The existing library at Meredith will be turned into a multi-purpose room. The estimated construction costs are \$3.3 million.

Ms. Boesen asked when the project will begin.

Mr. Good responded the final plans will be brought to the Board at the next meeting and more specific information will be made available at that time, but hopefully in the fall of 2010.

Item No. 21**Page 1 of 3****Subject: BOARD MEMBERSHIPS TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS****For: DISCUSSION****Contacts: Board****Attachments: None**

Issue: Consideration of the Board memberships to various organizations.

Background: Currently the Board is a member of the Iowa Association of School Boards and the National Association of School Boards. In the past, the Board has also been a member of the Great City Schools. That membership, however, was discontinued. Membership dues through June 2010 in the amount of \$10,366 were paid to IASB. Membership dues through December 31, 2010 in the amount of \$13,750 were paid to NSBA.

The Board will discuss various association memberships.

Minutes

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson wanted to confirm what memberships the Board currently has and how much money is budgeted for those.

Ms. Boesen responded the Board currently has memberships in IASB (Iowa Association of School Boards), NSBA (National School Board Association) and UEN (Urban Educational Network). The total dollar amount is around \$30,000.

Mrs. Woods asked how the internal financial problems at IASB affect DMPS.

Dr. Sebring responded that IASB maintains there will not be any reduction of services.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson asked what the Board and district currently gain in terms of support services and what would the district lose if the board voted not to rejoin any or all of the groups.

Ms. Boesen commented that the services are being accessed very little. If the Board chooses not to rejoin, attendance at conferences and conventions is still available. She feels UEN membership has been valuable in terms of lobbying support.

Ms. Link asked if administrators are members of any of these groups. The response was that the memberships are only available to Board members.

Ms. Link asked if the Board could join NSBA but not IASB. The answer is the Board must join at the state level in order to join nationally.

Ms. Buckton commented that if the Board is a member in the state association, there is an automatic membership in the NSBA. Des Moines is also a CUBE (Counsel of Urban Boards of Education) through our affiliate membership.

Mrs. Woods asked how much the Board/district benefits from being a CUBE member.

Ms. Link commented she feels the CUBE membership has been valuable and asked if the Board is no longer a member would the information still be available when conferences are taking place.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson feels there are some publications the Board would not receive if the membership were not renewed.

Mr. Murphy commented he does not think NSBA is doing nationally what school boards should be focusing on such as how to hire a superintendent, how to compensate your superintendent, etc. There are many organizations that put on conferences for curriculum, etc. and do a great job. The job of the Board however is not to develop curriculum, the Board's job is to govern. He feels the Board is not getting support and services from IASB that this Board needs right now. He supports keeping the membership with UEN but suggests taking a year to look at what else the Board could do with the money.

Ms. Link feels it is very beneficial to stay with UEN. She feels she gained a lot by attending the CUBE conference.

Ms. Strong stated there is some time for the Board to consider renewing any memberships, She is supportive of publications such as the American School Board Journal, Education Week, The Urban Advocate, etc. She suggested the publication Education Week would be a worthwhile subscription, and thinks the Board should take a year in the uncertain economic times to decide where the money for membership dues would be best invested — possibly attend more conferences and not spend the money on dues.

Ms. Boesen asked if Board members would look at the possible memberships, publications, etc. to evaluate what services are available and what services are being used.

Ms. Link stated she would look at the Council of Great City Schools.

Ms. Murphy suggested the Board take a year without renewing memberships to attend conferences and decide how the money would be best spent.

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Ms. Caldwell-Johnson commented the Board needs to make sure the decision not to renew the membership to IASB is not based on the financial situation of the organization but it is based on the needs and budget situation of the district. She feels there is some benefit to the affiliation with organizations that establish the platform for what the duties of the Board are. Ms. Caldwell-Johnson would like the Board to renew the membership and spend a year reconsidering its value.

Ms. Strong commented the Board has had this discussion before about the benefits of being a member of a national organization. She stated the reason she is considering not being a member right now is because of the economic times the district is facing. She wants the Board to continue evaluating how taxpayer dollars are being spent for memberships, not just when the district is in difficult economic times.

Ms. Boesen feels the Board can continue to have this discussion.

Mr. Murphy reiterated this Board discussion is not taking place because of internal problems with IASB. He wants the Board to look at what resources are more appropriate for what the Board is trying to get done. He would like the Board to consider the National Policy Governance Workshop. He would like the Board to have a more lengthy discussion on this topic.

Ms. Caldwell-Johnson suggested compiling a list of all the services available to the Board and what they offer.

Ms. Boesen agreed the Board should research the available services.

The IASB membership will expire this June so the Board agreed to let the membership expire for now and decide at a later date whether to renew the membership.