URBANDALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2014

BOARD MEETING - 7:00 P.M.

URBANDALE HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER – 7111 AURORA AVENUE ADAM OBRECHT, PRESIDENT

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Adam Obrecht called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. At roll call, the following members were present: Directors Graham Giles, Chris Gunnare, Cate Newberg, and Mark Wierson. Vice President Kyle Kruidenier and Director Aaron Applegate were absent.

Approval of Agenda

Director Gunnare moved, and Director Newberg seconded the motion to approve the agenda as posted. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

Consent Agenda Items

- A. Monday, March 10, 2014 Board Minutes
- B. Open Enrollment report, with two students enrolling into the District for 2013-14, one student denied enrolling in for 2014-15, and two student enrolling out for 2013-14, and three students enrolling out for the 2014-15 school year.
- C. Personnel Report as submitted
- D. Web Site Hosting Agreement with Flying Hippo

Director Newberg moved, and Director Gunnare seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items A through D. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

- A. <u>Discussion and Approval of Proposed Budget Publication for 2014-15</u> Shelly Clifford, CFO, submitted the District's Proposed Certified Budget for fiscal year 2014-15. Ms. Clifford reviewed the proposed budget for total resources, expenditures, and the proposed tax rates for each fund. The total proposed tax rate is \$17.62, a five cent decrease from prior year. Board members discussed the budget documents and the certification process. Director Gunnare moved, and Director Giles seconded the motion to approve the 2014-15 proposed budget publication. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.
- B. Approve Budget Amendment for 2013-14
 Shelly Clifford, CFO, updated the Board of Directors about a Budget
 Amendment for the 2013-14 fiscal year, and requested approval to publish a
 public hearing notice for the purpose of amending the 2013-14 Certified
 Budget. The Amendment does not affect the current tax rates, and is

necessary to account for additional debt payments, due to the issuance of crossover refunding bonds. Director Gunnare moved, and Director Newberg seconded the motion to approve the 2013-14 Budget Amendment publication. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

C. Set Public Hearing Date for 2013-14 Budget Amendment

Shelly Clifford, CFO, recommended April 7, 2014 as the public hearing date for the Board of Directors to hear public testimony about the proposed Budget Amendment. Director Giles moved, and Director Newberg seconded the motion to set April 7, 2014 as a public hearing date for the Budget Amendment. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

D. Approval of SBRC Request for Modified Supplemental Spending Authority Shelly Clifford, CFO, explained that the Department of Education will be adjusting the Special Education deficits of those districts that filed High Cost Claims during the 2012-13 fiscal year. The adjustment allows districts to apply for the supplemental spending authority associated with excess costs of Special Education Programming. The District's adjustment totals \$129,888.39. Director Wierson moved, and Director Newberg seconded the motion to approve the SBRC request for Supplemental Spending Authority in the amount of \$129,888.39. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

E. Early Retirement Discussion

Dr. Stilwell, Superintendent of Schools, updated the Board of Directors about participation in the District's Early Retirement Plan. Eligible staff members will notify Dr. Stilwell by the end of the month as to their interest in the plan.

F. Approval of District Health Insurance Plan Changes/Premium Increases

The District Insurance Committee has worked to evaluate past performance of the Self Insurance Fund, and the future anticipated expenses. The committee recommended premium costs and plan changes, including the addition of an Employee +1 tier for the Blue Choice health plan. Board members discussed the plan changes and premium costs, questioning the premium cost for the Employee +1. Director Wierson moved, and Director Gunnare seconded the motion to table action on the plan changes and premium increases, in order to review all health insurance premium rates. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

G. Overview and Preparation for Site Visit

Dr. Doug Stilwell, Superintendent of Schools, reviewed the District's work to prepare for the upcoming Department of Education site visit.

H. Accept Financial Reports

Shelly Clifford, Chief Financial Officer, requested Board acceptance of the financial reports for February. Director Newberg moved, and Director Gunnare seconded the motion to accept the financial reports as submitted. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

I. Authorization to Pay Bills

Shelly Clifford, Chief Financial Officer, requested Board authorization to pay the list of bills totaling \$374623.67. Director Newberg moved, and Director Wierson seconded the motion to approve payment of the bills as submitted. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

Report of the President

President Obrecht reported that taxing entities are entitled to representation on the Conference board of the County Assessor's Office. After discussion, the Board appointed Director Graham Giles as the District's representative.

Discussion of Other Matters

Dr. Stilwell reported that five Urbandale High School students will represent the District at the Iowa Recognition for Performance Excellence on April 2, 2014.

Adjourn

Director Giles moved, and Director Newberg seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M. Motion passed with all ayes 5-0.

Board President

Date

ATTEST:

Board Secretary

Date

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting on April 7, 2014.