

Certified Budget Hearing & Special Meeting
March 30, 2015

The Board of Directors of the Louisa-Muscatine CSD met on Monday, March 30, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Admin Office, 14478 170th Street, Letts IA. Directors present included Angie Kemp, Scott Wilson, and Bob Nowak. Eric Schlutz arrived at 5:05 and Pam Lee attended electronically. Also present were Supt. Mike Van Sickle, Curriculum Director Amy Lantigua, visitors Angie Morrison and Nancy Blow representing IASBO, and Charles Domer.

President Kemp called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Nowak moved, and Wilson seconded, to approve the agenda with a revision to include "Community Forum". Motion carried, 4-0.

Nancy Blow and Angie Morrison, representing the Iowa Association of School Business Officials, presented Karron Stineman with the IASBO Professional Leadership award that included a \$1000 scholarship for a graduating senior.

President Kemp announced that it was the time and place designated for the hearing on the FY16 Certified Budget. There were no citizens present for the hearing. President Kemp closed the meeting and called for a motion. Wilson moved, and Nowak seconded, to adopt the proposed budget as published with a tax rate of \$12.63488 per \$1000 of assessed valuation, based on 0% state supplemental aid, an increase of \$1.4257. A portion of the increase (.33) is due to the passing of a higher voted PPEL rate and the discontinuation of the income surtax portion of the PPEL funding (.1324). Supplemental state aid for Fy16 has not yet been set by the legislature. The roll was called and the motion passed unanimously.

Nowak moved, and Wilson seconded, to approve appointment of Vicki Shady to the district homeless liaison position. Supt. Van Sickle explained that the homeless aspect is a natural fit with the at-risk program of which Mrs. Shady is the coordinator. Motion carried, 5-0.

Wilson moved, and Schlutz seconded, to approve the professional service agreement and

amendment with Shive-Hattery Architecture-Engineering for the roof work, at a fee of \$42,500 plus \$4500 in anticipated expenses. Motion carried, 5-0.

Supt. Van Sickle presented his cost reduction plan outlining several scenarios for savings in the next two fiscal years. He has investigated possible sharing opportunities, both internally and externally, reducing positions and eliminating an art position.

The board reviewed a portion of the questions that will be asked at the Department of Education compliance visit next month.

Schlutz moved, and Wilson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried, 5-0.

Angie Kemp, President

Karron Stineman, Secretary