

DES MOINES PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
1800 GRAND BOARDROOM
TENTATIVE AGENDA
MAY 1, 2012

PPROXIMATE TIME	ITEM	POLICY REFERENCE	STATUS
5:45 p.m.	Public Forum 1. Call to Order 2. Roll Call		
6:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting 3. Call to Order 4. Roll Call 5. Approval of Agenda 6. Approval of Minutes — April 17, 2012	ML 2.8	Action
6:05 p.m.	District Recognitions		
6:15 p.m.	Consent Items 7. Approval of Contract(s) 8. Award of Contract (s) on Bid 9. Award of Bid 6511 — North High School East Parking Lot Replacement 10. Final Acceptance of Bid 5226-09 — A3 Renovation of Roosevelt High School 11. Purchase of English Language Learner Instructional Materials 12. Purchase of Instructional Materials and Teacher Resource Upgrade — Grade K-6 Literacy 13. Scholarship Award —Des Moines School Employees Association Scholarship 14. Personnel Recommendations 15. List of Bills	ML 2.8	Action
6:20 p.m.	Public Hearings 16. Easement to MidAmerican Energy — Underground Electrical Line at Meredith Middle School	ML 2.8	Action

6:25 p.m.	Other 17. Adjusted Start/Dismissal Times — 2012-13	ML 2.8	Disc/Action
7:00 p.m.	18. Charter School Update	ML 2.8	Discussion
7:15 p.m.	Requests for Information	BD 3.1	
7:20 p.m.	Chair's Report		
7:25 p.m.	Superintendent's Report		
7:30 p.m.	Adjourn		

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Subject: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT(S)

For: ACTION

Contact: Dave Silver

(david.silver@dmschools.org: 242-7700)

Attachments: None

Issue: Playground equipment throughout the district is reviewed annually to ensure the safety of the students and compliance with state and federal requirements. The result of this annual review requires the repair or replacement of equipment.

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

Background: The Board approved the use of the Houston – Galveston Area Council's (HGAC) Cooperative Procurement Program for the bidding process at its April 19, 2011 meeting (Contract 11-020). The Facility Management Department is now seeking Board approval to spend the amount below to repair / replace eight playground sites throughout the district.

A. Playground Equipment; District-wide

Fry & Associates	North Kansas City, MO	1 Item	\$ 135,000
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Funding Source: Public Education and Recreation Levy (PERL) and individual site accounts.

Item No. 8
Page 1 of 2**Subject: AWARD OF CONTRACT(S) ON BID****For: ACTION****Contact: 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 contract(s) 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. B6060 Floor Finishes — Various Sites FY 2012-2013

Ecolab, Inc	St. Paul, MN	5 items	Estimated Award	\$ 60,000.00
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The vendor has agreed to extend the contract with the same terms, conditions and pricing. This vendor provides floor care product used by Custodial Services at sites throughout the district. Amount of usage and cost vary each year based on floor care schedules and funding.

Funding Source: Individual custodial accounts district-wide.

This is the second extension.

2011-2012	Estimated Expenditure	\$ 61,500.00
2010-2011	Actual Expenditure	\$ 43,730.03

Contact: Sheila Mason
(sheila.mason@dmschools.org; 242-7980)

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Page 2 of 2**B. Bid B6490 Custodial Equipment**

AmSan	Urbandale, IA	13 Items	\$ 38,530.00
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Bid B6352 Custodial Equipment

AmSan	Urbandale, IA	<u>1 Item</u>	<u>\$ 3,072.00</u>
		TOTAL	\$41,602.00

Bids were examined by the Purchasing and Custodial Services Departments. 41 bids were sent, 5 bids were received, 36 did not respond. A complete tabulation of the bids is available online at: <http://www.dmschools.org/departments/operations/purchasing-central-stores/purchasing/open-proposals/>

Funding Source: Individual school custodial accounts.

Contact: Sheila Mason

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Item No. 9**Page 1 of 1****Subject: AWARD OF BID NO. B6511 — NORTH HIGH SCHOOL; EAST PARKING LOT REPLACEMENT****For: ACTION****Contact: Bill Good**
(harold.good@dmschools.org: 242-8321)**Attachments: None****Issue:** Award of contract for the replacement of the east parking lot at North High School.**Superintendent's Recommendation:** The superintendent recommends a contract for the Base Bid and Alternates 1 and 2 be awarded to the lowest responsive/responsible bidder, Concrete Technologies Inc. in the amount of \$422,800.00.**Presenters:** None. Bill Good will be present to answer any questions.**Background:** This is a project under the Statewide Penny funding.

- **Base Bid:** The complete removal and replacement of the east parking lot at North. Work to include paving, sidewalks, storm sewer, and landscaping work.
- **Alternate 1:** Remove and replace additional sidewalk
- **Alternate 2:** Install new parking lot lighting.

The district received bids on April 24, 2012. The results are as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid	Alternate 1	Alternate 2
Concrete Technologies – Urbandale, IA	\$ 363,400	\$ 13,900	\$ 45,500
Elder Corporation – Des Moines, IA	\$ 369,055.46	\$ 11,372.52	\$ 45,164.58
Absolute Concrete – Slater, IA	\$ 374,199	\$ 15,019	\$ 41,000
Nehring Construction – Des Moines, IA	\$ 383,815.25	\$ 10,699.13	\$ 46,747
Joiner Construction Co.- Plano, IA	\$ 392,450	\$ 9,000	\$ 47,000
Alliance Construction Group – Grimes, IA	\$ 410,785	\$14,310	\$46,850
Jensen Builders LTD – Ames, IA	\$ 416,400	\$ 15,100	\$47,700
TK Concrete – Pella, IA	\$ 424,893	\$ 8,000	\$ 50,000
McAninch Corp. – Des Moines, IA	\$ 453,000	\$ 25,900	\$ 62,240

Funding Source: Statewide Penny (Students First Program)

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Subject: FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF BID NO. 5226-09 — A3 RENOVATION OF ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL

For: ACTION

Contact: Bill Good
(harold.good@dmschools.org : 242-8321)

Attachments: None

Superintendent's Recommendation: The Superintendent recommends the Board give final acceptance to the project listed below and approve final payment to the contractor listed, subject to the conditions and in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 26 and 573 of the Code of Iowa.

SCHOOL: Roosevelt High School

PROJECT: A3 Renovation

CONTRACTOR: Larson & Larson Construction, LLC

CONTRACTED AMOUNT: \$ 18,036,590.00

CONTRACT BALANCE: \$ 276,829.50

Item No. 11**Page 1 of 1****Subject: PURCHASE OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS****For: ACTION****Contact: Vinh Nguyen**

(vinh.nguyen@dmschools.org; 242-7853)

Attachments: None

Issue: Purchase of Supplementary Instructional Materials for elementary English Language Learners (ELL) program.

Background:

The primary purposes for recommending K-5 ELL supplementary materials were:

- to fill a gap that exists in the Des Moines schools for materials which promote academic language, literacy, and content development at the 3rd-5th level;
- to align high quality ELL materials with DMPS standards; and
- to differentiate assessments and instruction for ELL's at various levels of language proficiency.

After reviewing materials from approximately 18 companies, the K-5 ELL Supplementary Materials Committee found Benchmark Education materials came closest to meeting the purposes stated above. The committee recommended *Vocabulary, Content, and Language* (V-C-L) materials to build academic vocabulary and background knowledge for DMPS Science and Social Science units of study in the upper elementary grades. *English Explorers* (which align with V-C-L) were chosen to provide our upper grade ELL's access to rigorous small group reading curriculum (regardless of their level of language proficiency).

The *English Explorer* books are organized by Science and Social Studies themes with six titles per theme at four levels of language acquisition. In addition, *English Explorer* books can be easily aligned with literacy standards.

Although most of the committee's recommendations were for upper elementary ELL's, the committee also recommended *Anchor Comprehension Posters* to facilitate the alignment of ELL instruction with Common Core comprehension instruction at both the K-2nd and 3rd-5th grade levels. The highly visual *Anchor Comprehension Posters* allow teachers to explicitly teach a comprehension strategy through modeling, guided practice, and applied practice.

Finally, through the *Comprehension Strategy Assessment for ELLs* and *English Explorer Assessment Kits*, ELLs will benefit from high quality, differentiated assessments to guide initial placement and to monitor language and literacy growth over time.

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Total: \$149,988.60

Funding Source: FY-2011-2012 Immigrant Grant: DWIMMINZF 0610. The publishers have guaranteed receipt of these materials by June 30, 2012.

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Subject: PURCHASE OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND TEACHER RESOURCE UPGRADE — GRADES K-6 LITERACY

For: ACTION

Contact: Holly Crandell/Thomas Ahart

Attachments: None

(holly.crandell@dmschools.org; 242-7892/thomas.ahart@dmschools.org; 242-7536)

Issue: Purchase of instructional materials/teacher resources for Grades K-6.

Superintendent’s Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board approve the purchase of these materials.

Background: *Journeys* is an updated edition of our current core reading program, Houghton Mifflin Reading. This edition is closely aligned to the Common Core Standards and provides K-6 students with greater access to nonfiction texts. Included in this quote are instructional materials to support our English Language Learners and students in need of additional instructional support.

The materials are for the following grades listed below:

- *Grades K-6* *Journeys* Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

TOTAL **\$1,498,670.60**

Presenter: None. Tom Ahart will be available to answer questions.

Funding Source:

FY2011-2012 Curriculum Materials Budget Account No. HSRGHMZJ – 0641

Publishers have guaranteed receipt of these materials by June 30, 2012.

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Subject: SCHOLARSHIP AWARD — DES MOINES SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

For: ACTION

Contact: Mr. Tom Ahart

(thomas.ahart@dmschools.org; 242-7536)

Attachments: None

Issue: For the 2011-2012 school year, the Selection Committee nominates Samantha Snodgrass, 4817 E. 38th Street, North High School, for the Des Moines School Employees Association Scholarship.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board authorize payment of the scholarship award to the student nominated by the Des Moines School Employees Association Scholarship Committee.

Presenters: None

Background: Information about the scholarship: The Des Moines School Employees Association, established as a burial fund for its membership, disbanded in 1984 because the membership decreased to five members in good standing. After benefit payments were paid to the remaining members, the remaining assets of the Association, totaling \$15,000, were donated to the district and invested in a U.S. Treasury bond with a yield of 11.6 percent. The earnings from the bond provided funds for the payment of one scholarship payment in 1985 and two \$850 scholarship payments annually from 1986 to 2005. Because of a reduction in the earnings from the bond, starting with the 2005-2006 school year, the scholarship was reduced to payment of one award of \$500 to a district employee's child. The scholarship is non-renewable.

To qualify for the scholarship: (1) The applicant must be a graduating senior of a Des Moines Public Schools high school. (2) The parent must be a current Des Moines Public Schools employee who has worked for the district for two or more years. (3) The applicant must be an average or above-average student. (4) The applicant must attend school regularly. (5) The applicant must have selected a career goal. (6) Applicant's participation in both school and community activities will be rated by the selection committee. (7) The applicant may attend either a two-year or four-year, post-secondary institution of the student's choice. (8) Financial need will be considered.

Applications are screened and selection of the recipient made by a committee consisting of (1) an Associate Superintendent or a designee, (2) the K-12 Counseling Coordinator, (3) the Director of Operations, (4) the Director of Food and Nutrition Management, and (5) the Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent.

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Final approval of the recipient will be made by the Des Moines Public Schools Board of Directors. The recipient will be notified by letter of the selection following approval by the Board of Directors.

Information about the nominee: Samantha Snodgrass, a senior at North High School, is presented as the nominee to receive Des Moines Employees Association Scholarship award of \$500.

Samantha has been accepted at Grinnell College. She plans to major in Plant Genetics. Samantha is the daughter of Jessica Gogerty, a School Improvement Leader at North High School.

Samantha was selected from a field of six very fine applicants.

Item No. 14**Page 1 of 2****Subject: PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS****For: ACTION****Contact: Scott R. Mikesh****Attachments: None**

(scott.mikesh@dmps.k12.ia.us; 242-7972)

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

Background:**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Name	School, Position	Effective Date	Reason
Albright, Sara	Roosevelt, SLC	08/22/2012	Personal

RESIGNATION

Name	School, Position	Effective Date	Reason
Christopher, Heather	Weeks, Math	08/22/2012	Personal
Cooney, Hillari	Hoover, English	08/22/2012	Personal
Eggert, Andrew	Harding, Science	08/22/2012	Personal
Franke, Natalie	Jefferson, 2 nd	08/22/2012	Position out of district
Goodrich, LaVon	Curriculum, Math Coach	08/22/2012	Personal
Haddinger, Margaret	Weeks, BD	08/22/2012	Personal
Kelley, Sarah	East/Lincoln, ELL	08/22/2012	Personal
Lally, Kathryn	Lincoln, Science	08/22/2012	Personal
Lee, Anna	Hoover, Music-Vocal	08/22/2012	Personal
Rebel, Jennifer	East, Counselor	08/22/2012	Personal
Sorensen, Sarah	Hiatt, Science	08/22/2012	Personal

REGULAR RETIREMENT

Name	School, Position	Effective Date	Reason
Storey, Patricia	Leave of Absence	05/19/2012	Personal

ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT

Name	Position	Amount	Effective Date
Chapman, Deborah S.	Principal, Hiatt Middle School	\$97,659	07/01/2012

Doctor of Education Degree in Educational Administration, University of Arkansas, Little Rock, Arkansas, 2004. Educational Specialist Degree in Educational Administration, University of Arkansas, Little Rock, Arkansas, 2002. Masters Degree in Secondary Education, Middle Level, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, 1997. Bachelors Degree in Mathematics Education, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, 1992. Experience: School Improvement Leader, Lincoln High School, Des Moines Public School District, 2010-present; K-12 Curriculum and Instruction Coordinator - Mathematics Assessment, and Professional Development, Ankeny Community School District, Ankeny, Iowa, 2008-2010; Arkansas State Director of Mathematics, JBHM Education Group, Jackson, Mississippi, 2006-2008; K-12 Curriculum and Instruction Coordinator – Mathematics, Pulaski County Special School District, Little Rock, Arkansas, 2002-2006; Instructor, University of Arkansas, Little Rock, Arkansas, 2004-2006; Middle School Mathematics Teacher (Grades 5-6), Cabot Public School District, Cabot, Arkansas, 1999-2002; Middle School Mathematics Teacher (Grades 6-8), Farmington Public School District, Farmington, Missouri, 1992-1999. Address: Norwalk, Iowa

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ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT

Name	Position	Amount	Effective Date
Langston, Tina	Principal, Cowles Montessori School	\$86,846	07/01/2012

Masters Degree in Education Administration, University of Missouri, Kansas City, Missouri, 2001. Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education, Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska, 1996. Experience: Principal, PreK-6, Border Star Montessori, Kansas City Public School District, Kansas City, Missouri, 2007-present; Vice Principal, K-5, McCoy Elementary and Weeks Elementary Schools, Kansas City Public School District, Kansas City, Missouri, 2001-2007; Teacher, Grades 1 and 5, Gladstone Elementary School, Kansas City Public School District, Kansas City, Missouri, 1996-2001. Address: Kansas City, Missouri.

ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT

Name	Position	Amount	Effective Date
Tate, Brian H.	Activities Director, North High School	\$79,185 <i>(to be prorated)</i>	04/16/2012

Masters Degree in Education Administration Secondary, Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, 2002. Bachelors Degree in History and Secondary Education, Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa, 1990. Experience: School Improvement Leader, North High School, Des Moines Public School District, 2011-present; Social Science Teacher, Lincoln High School, Des Moines Public School District, 2010-2011; Dean of Students, North High School, Des Moines Public School District, 2007-2010; Social Science Teacher, Lincoln High School, Des Moines Public School District, 2006-2007; Social Science Teacher, Hoover High School, Des Moines Public School District, 2002-2006; Social Science Teacher, Harding Middle School, Des Moines Public School District, 1991-2002. Head Football Coach, Hoover High School, 2002-2005. Address: Johnston, Iowa.

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Subject: LIST OF BILLS FOR APPROVAL

For: ACTION

Contact: Thomas Harper

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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: EASEMENT TO MIDAMERICAN ENERGY FOR UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL LINE AT MEREDITH MIDDLE SCHOOL

For: PUBLIC HEARING/ACTION

Contact: Bill Good

(Harold.good@dmschools.org; 242-8321)

Attachments: None

Issue: MidAmerican is requesting an underground electric line easement at Meredith Middle School, 4827 Madison Ave as follows:

Property containing easement area: The West 1,650 feet of the North Half (N ½) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 19, township 79 North, Range 24 West of the 5th P.M., (except the South 25 feet thereof) containing in all 50.166 acres an Official Plat, now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

Said easement being 5 feet on each side of the following described centerline: beginning at a point on the East property line that is 450 feet, more or less, North of the South property line; thence Northeasterly for a distance of 195 feet, more or less; thence West for a distance of 105 feet, more or less, to the point of termination.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board hold the public hearing and approve the granting of an underground electric line easement to MidAmerican Energy for \$1.

Background: On April 17, 2012 the Board approved a resolution to hold a public hearing. As required by law, the notice of public hearing was published on April 18, 2012.

Item No. 17**Page 1 of 1****Subject: DISMISSAL TIMES FOR 2012-13****For: DISCUSSION/ACTION****Contact: Tom Ahart/Holly Crandell****Attachments: None**

(thomas.ahart@dmschools.org/242-7536;

Issue: Whether adequate, regular time for professional development and teacher collaboration is best achieved by a late start or an early dismissal one day during the school week and which day should be designated for that purpose.

Superintendent's Recommendation: The superintendent recommends the Board approve the allotment of 90 minutes each week for professional development and teacher collaboration during contract hours throughout the 2012-13 school year. The Board may then consider at its next regular meeting on which day and at what time they would be most efficiently scheduled.

Background: In 2010-11 and 2011-12 DMPS has dismissed all schools early on Wednesdays in order to accommodate a consistent delivery of professional development for instructional staff and provide them with enough time for meaningful collaboration. The regular devotion of time for those purposes has had a positive impact on student achievement but there have been suggestions to switch from an early dismissal to a late start time and/or from Wednesday to a different day of the week.

Presenters: Tom Ahart, Holly Crandell

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Subject: CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE
For: DISCUSSION
Contact: Dick Murphy, Cindy Elsbernd
Pat Sweeney **Attachments:** None

Issue: The work group will provide an update on the Charter School.

Presentation: None.