May Board Notes

- IV. We need to hold a hearing and amend our budget for the current school year. The primary reason is the added costs of starting the construction project that was not planned for in our budget. We may also look at a couple of other areas just in case we go over. Our preliminary numbers look like we will be okay but it will be close so we may do it just in case.
- V. d. Financial reports remain on track as in the past.
- f. We have received a resignation from Matt Schult from sixth grade teaching and all of his coaching duties. Ms. Ferrie recommends Susan Nosbisch as an At-Risk Behavior Specialist, Theresa Knutson as a preschool teacher, Amanda Ries as a preschool teacher, and Diane Ollendieck as a Transitional Kindergarten Teacher pending finding a suitable replacement for the library position.
- IX. I will review the audit report with you and the specific concerns that are in it.
- X. a. We need to handle some things related to the issuance of the bonds on June 1st. Bob will walk you through the specific items at the meeting.
- b. We need to approve the amount we will allow to be deposited in our bank to account for the bond receipts. Bank Iowa has agreed to pay .95% interest on our deposit there.
- c. We would like to add a Multiple Occupational Cooperative Education Program at the high school. With this program, a senior who is on track to graduate may get a job in the community and work half the school day at the job and earn high school credit. They would have to attend an MOC class every day and then go to work each day as well. The MOC class would discuss employment issues as they happen and also discuss ways to help improve their skills. The MOC instructor would also stay in contact with the employer to see how the student is doing in the job placement. The student would earn three credits for this. Two for working on the job and one for taking the MOC class. NICC is making the required endorsement available to those who qualify for free. Krissy Anderson has agreed to obtain the endorsement. Currently Krissy has been employed half time, but has been helping out at Iowa BIG on an hourly per diem basis as needed. This year she taught five classes each semester plus another class at Iowa BIG. We are also proposing to expand her time to full-time. She taught a full-time schedule this year at half-time pay plus some extra per diem pay.
- d. Charles City is planning to start a soccer program. Mr. Schmitt has some survey data that shows out of 190 students in grades 9-11 and at St. Joe's 29 have indicated soccer as a first choice. The majority has indicated they would be willing to travel to another school to participate. We would pay a pro-rated cost based on actual costs divided by the total number of participates times the number of our participants. Charles City currently does this with Mason City and they pay about \$268 per athlete for soccer.

- e. and f. I am recommending a 2% increase for administrators and contracted support staff for the coming year. This falls in line with what we gave to teachers and support staff.
- g. We need to approve meal prices for next year. All meals are increasing by 10 cents. Adult lunch \$3.60, all breakfast \$1.50, High School Lunch \$2.45, and elementary Lunch \$2.35. Extra Entrée/Milk remains at \$1.50. This information comes from the Department of Ed website where they have a meal calculator to help us determine what we should be charging.
- h. We need to approve the AEA Purchasing agreement. This allows us to participate in the bulk purchasing with the AEA and it's a good thing that saves us money in the lunch program.
- i. We need to approve the paint bids for the DOT garage. We're looking at painting the trim on the main building and then the other wooden building and the tin building as well. I wasn't sure on the tin building, but since the bids came in where they did, I think we should give it a try.
 - j. I will share the results of our most recent fire inspection.
 - k. I will update you on the facilities project
- l. We need to approve the second progress payment to FCMG. We should be getting close to exiting the design phase and moving into the construction/bidding phase.
- m. We need to do my evaluation. I recommend we complete it at the June meeting as we've done in the past and I will ask for a closed session. I will start with an update in open session and then move to close to complete it.