

ALLAMAKEE COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
WORK SESSION MINUTES
HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2017
7:00 A.M.

Those present:

Board Members: Tom Baxter, Scott Melcher, Patty Nordheim, Allan Rissman and Tim Waters;

Staff Members: Joe Griffith, Randy Nordheim, Bill Hennessy, Julie Askelson, Jen Garin, Jaime Curtin, Board Secretary and Dave Herold, Superintendent;

Visitors: Bill Halvorson;

Reporter: Brianne Eilers.

The Allamakee Community School District Board of Education held a Work Session on Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. The purpose of the Work Session was to discuss the superintendent search, the industrial arts ventilation system, any additional questions and/or concerns regarding Waterville and other items.

The Board reviewed the three proposals received from executive search firms and discussed the potential strengths and weaknesses of each. It was determined that two firms would be asked to present to the Board at the December 12th work session. Mrs. Curtin would contact the Else Leadership Group as the first to present and the Board members would conduct reference calls on the other two firms to determine which one would also present at that work session.

Mr. Hennessy gave a brief explanation of the issues with the current ventilation system and discussed the plan for a new system. This will be an action item at the December 18th Board meeting.

Mr. Rissman invited the Board to voice concerns and/or ask questions regarding the Waterville Elementary decision. Several board members spoke about concerns that they have heard from community members and the emotional aspect of this decision. Mrs. Askelson and Mr. Griffith discussed some ideas regarding a transition plan if Waterville Elementary were to close. Mr. Rissman thanked all of the staff for their work on all of the questions thus far, however it was noted that better communication is needed. Therefore, the Board decided to hold another work session to have a conversation with the Waterville parents. This work session is scheduled for Thursday, December 7, 2017 at the Waterville Elementary Library at 5:30 p.m.

The Work Session adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Allan L. Rissman
Board President

Jaime Curtin
Board Secretary