Board of Directors Meeting Minutes (October 24, 1977)

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A special meeting of the Des Moines Area Community College Board of Directors was held in Room 15, Building #2, Ankeny campus, Ankeny, Iowa, on October 24, 1977. The meeting was called to order by Board President Donald Rowen, at 7:20 p.m. This meeting was preceded by a presentation on an Urban Center location by Mayor Olson, City Manager Wilkey, and other members of the City of Des Moines staff at 5:30 p.m. and a dinner recess at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Maurice Campbell
Murray Goodman
Walter Hetzel
Max Kreager
Eldon Leonard
Theodore Nemmers
Donald Rowen
Walter A. Stover, Jr.
Harold Welin

It was moved by E. Leonard, seconded by W. Stover, that the DMACC Board withdraw the OFFER TO BUY of certain property known as the Ruan Building, located at Third and Keo in Des Moines. Motion passed after the following roll call vote was taken:

AYES: M. Campbell
M. Goodman
E. Leonard
T. Nemmers
D. Rowen
W. Stover

NAYS: W. Hetzel
M. Kreager
H. Welin

It was moved by W. Stover that the Washington Irving School be purchased from the Des Moines School System. The motion died for lack of a second.

It was moved by E. Leonard, seconded by M. Campbell, that the Board direct the Superintendent, college staff, and legal counsel to meet with the Des Moines city officials for the finalization of acquisition plans for parcels "B" and "D" with the addition of approximately 200 feet north of Ascension Street consistent with the presentation of the college's architects and that a budget of $1,800,000 for the project also be approved. The motion was defeated on a roll call as follows:

AYES: M. Campbell
E. Leonard
D. Rowen
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NAYS: M. Goodman
    W. Hetzel
    M. Kreager
    T. Nemmers
    W. Stover
    H. Welin

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF A CHAPTER 28E AGREEMENT FOR URBAN CENTER DEVELOPMENT

Director M. Goodman introduced Resolution 77-2 (Attachment #1), RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A JOINT PROJECT BETWEEN THE DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE CITY OF DES MOINES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PERMANENT URBAN CENTER, and moved that same be adopted. Director E. Leonard seconded the motion. Motion passed after the following roll call vote was taken:

AYES: M. Campbell
    M. Goodman
    E. Leonard
    T. Nemmers
    D. Rowen

NAYS: W. Hetzel
    M. Kreager
    W. Stover
    H. Welin

UNEMPLOYMENT PENSATION

It was moved by W. Hetzel, seconded by M. Kreager, that the college staff be authorized to elect Option 2 on Attachment #2, which specifies that the Des Moines Area Community College will become a Government Reimbursable Employer for unemployment insurance effective January 1, 1978. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by E. Leonard, seconded by M. Kreager, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

EUGENE R. SNYDERS, Secretary

DONALD P. ROWEN, President
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A JOINT PROJECT
BETWEEN THE DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE CITY OF DES MOINES
FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PERMANENT URBAN CENTER

WHEREAS, representatives of the City of Des Moines, Iowa and Des Moines Area Community College have met on numerous occasions to consider various alternatives for a joint project for the development of a permanent urban campus for Des Moines Area Community College and for redevelopment of the adjacent area pursuant to urban renewal authority of the City; and

WHEREAS, the last of such meetings this date has resulted in a jointly conceived proposal for meeting such objectives which has been orally presented to this Board and which in the judgment of this Board meets the objectives of the Des Moines Area Community College and is in the apparent best interests of the College; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended by legal counsel in furtherance thereof that such proposal be restated in the form of a written Agreement to be approved by and executed by both the College and City to guide the future proceedings of both such parties in carrying out such joint project; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Des Moines Area Community College that:

1. The said proposal for such joint project as so conceived and orally stated this date is hereby approved in concept.

2. That the Superintendent and legal counsel are authorized and directed to meet with their counterparts on the staff of the City and prepare a Chapter 28E type of Agreement defining precise procedures to be followed by each party in the initiation of such joint project.

3. That the Superintendent and legal counsel are expressly authorized to take any and all steps reasonably necessary to expedite the preparation of such agreement and to prepare preliminarily for the execution thereof.
PASSED AND APPROVED, this 20th day of October, 1977.

[Signature]
President of the Board of Directors

Attest:

[Signature]
Secretary of the Board of Directors
The College has been notified by the Iowa Department of Job Service that, effective January 1, 1978, employees of state and local government (to include DMACC employees) will be entitled to receive Job Insurance benefits, more commonly referred to as Unemployment Insurance.

These benefits must be financed by the employer, and may be handled in one of two optional procedures as follows:

1. Become a Government Contributing Employer. This requires that the employer elect to pay a contribution tax for a minimum period of two calendar years on each employee's taxable wages. The tax base for 1978 will be the first $6,500 of wages for each employee at a rate of 1%, or maximum of $65 per employee for the year. This rate will be adjusted for the following year between a minimum of 0.85% and a maximum of 2%, based on an experience factor.

2. Become a Government Reimbursable Employer. This option requires that the employer pay to the Job Insurance trust fund an amount equal to the total benefits paid out to former employees in Job Insurance benefits.

Following an analysis of previous unemployment claims and an estimate of Cost factors involved with each of the above options, it is recommended that the College elect Option number 2 at this time and that we, in so doing it, establish a contingency fund to be used when needed for payment of Unemployment Claims.

Option number 1 is estimated to cost the College $42,000 for the calendar year 1978, whereby, Option number 2 could conceivably be a minimal cost by comparison ($12,600 based on actual experience for the past year). There are, of course, unknown factors which could change these costing comparisons and would tend to have us prefer to elect Option 1 in future years, however, for the initial first period, Option 2 appears more practical.

Job Service requires that a decision be made on options no later than October 30, 1977.