Lease, Sale or Disposal of School District Buildings and Sites

The board shall make decisions regarding the lease, sale or disposal of school district real property. In making its decision the board will consider the needs of the education program and the efficient use of public funds.

Prior to the board's final decision regarding real property, a public hearing shall be held. The board shall adopt a resolution announcing the proposed sale which shall contain notice of the time and place of the public hearing and the description of the property or locally known address. Notice of the time and place of the public hearing shall be published at least once, but not less than ten days and not more than twenty days, prior to the hearing date. Upon completion of the public hearing, the board may dispose of the property.

If the real property contains less than two acres, is located outside of a city, is not adjacent to a city, and was previously used as a schoolhouse site, the property may revert to the owner of the tract from whom the property was taken following the procedures set forth in Iowa law.

In the case of the demolition of a school district facility or structure, the board will follow all applicable laws regarding competitive bidding for the demolition project.

The superintendent shall be responsible for coordinating the action necessary for the board to accomplish the lease, sale or disposal of school district real property, including student-constructed buildings. It shall also be the responsibility of the superintendent to make a recommendation to the board regarding the use of school district real property not being utilized for the education program.

Proceeds from the disposition of real property will be placed in the school district's physical plant and equipment levy fund. Proceeds from the lease of real property will be placed in the school district's general fund.

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