

ANKENY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE
July 13, 2010

The school board considered three cost-saving measures at the 07/12 workshop.

1 - Instituting a 'cut' policy in activities. Estimated savings of \$10,000-\$20,000/yr. The consensus was that a two high school track is supposed to create additional opportunities for students to get involved. It would not make sense, then, to limit opportunities for such a small savings.

2 - Eliminate busing for Terrace student who have to cross Ankeny Blvd. Estimated savings of \$70,000/yr minus the hiring of 2 crossing guards @ \$24,000/yr. (\$22,000 net). The consensus was to further study this option, and also include all busing that is done within the two-mile radius of a building. It was also noted that when elementary #9 is built, all bus routes and boundaries will be adjusted.

3 - The cost of renting out school facilities. Currently produces \$170,000/yr in revenue. The consensus was to gather data on how much surrounding districts charge in anticipation of increasing ACSD fees to a higher 'market value' amount. The District was also charged to determine (if possible) just how much it costs the District to have a gym, or other room, open for an hour or evening.