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2021 Fiesta Royalty



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

The 2021 Mexican Fiesta court for the 100th Anniversary of the event were crowned Friday night during the Fiesta in the Mexican Village on Avenue O. From left to right are Mexican Queen Ava Taylor, Mexican Princess Jacqueline Vincent, and American Queen Marlee Weiler.



We are now officially the Jetsons

Space Tourists?
Did youuuu see thaaaat?
Elon Musk is a whack job and a total genius. Even if it's not his mind that created that rocketship that took those four civilian explorers into space Wednesday, it was his mind that created the notion – that created the institution – that created the funding – that created the new designs for rocket fuel and o-rings and computers – that resulted in what was nothing less than the largest step into the future of space travel our generation MAY ever see.

I was blown away. And you should have been blown away as well.

In less than six minutes those four brave souls strapped themselves onto 1 million pounds of rocket fuel, and with thumbs up (from two of the astronauts – the other two had to have been wiggin' out) shot straight out into the darkness of space that is soon to become a strip mall.

And you know Starbucks is going to anchor that sucker.

But on some mission of fate, I stepped out of the office for a bite to eat downstairs and the network had a live feed of this launch on, and it was about a minute 30 from take off. In that 90 seconds, Chris Hayes, literally was All In, and he brought us up to speed on what was happening.

I'm not even sure I can put into words how I felt about that moment. I know my mouth and eyes were wide open. Four people in a remote controlled rocket -no onboard pilot – were going to spin around the earth 45 times in the three days and then come back down and land, I believe, on a remote-controlled platform in the middle of an ocean.

Folks, we officially are the Jetsons.

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BLOODHOUNDS

Fort Madison wins wild one in Washington

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

WASHINGTON – The story lines out of Fort Madison's 23-19 win over Washington Friday night are numerous, but in the end it was a couple sophomores that sealed the deal.

With 26 seconds left in the game, on 1st and 10 from the Fort Madison 20-yard line, sophomore lineman Ike Thacher sneaked through the Washington line and chased quarterback Ethan Patterson to the Demons' sideline.

Under the pressure Patterson hurried a pass over the heads of two receivers near the sideline, where Bloodhound sophomore Henry Wiseman was patrolling the back corner of the endzone and intercepted the throw. He scrambled out of the endzone to keep the clock running, and then went down at about the six with 23 seconds left.

The Hounds were able to take a knee twice and run out the clock on a game that seemed to be destined to go to the Demons down the stretch.

It was the second Washington turn- See **WIN**, page 4



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg

Fort Madison's Tate Johnson turns toward the endzone after catching a Landes Williams' pass in the third quarter of Friday's 23-19 win over Washington.

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MON 20 Sep..... Hot and Rainy, 91° F/ 68° F
TUE 21 Sep..... Cooler with Light Rain, 73° F/ 56° F
WED 22 Sep..... Sunny and Cool, 71° F/ 49° F

IOWA LOTTERY

LOTTO AMERICA 09/18.....15 25 27 37 49, Star Ball: 6, All Star Bonus: 2
LUCKY FOR LIFE 09/18.....4 10 26 30 47, Lucky Ball: 6
MEGA MILLIONS 09/17.....17 32 40 59 61, Mega Ball: 18 Megaplier: 3
PICK 3 09/16, 09/17, 09/18 MIDDAY.....1 6 4, 0 4 6, 5 7 6
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OBITUARIES

DARREN BUNNELL

Darren Bunnell, 54, of West Point, IA, and formerly Oskaloosa, passed away Sunday, September 5, 2021, near West Point.

Darren Eugene Bunnell, son of Delbert Wylie and Regina Kay (Shaffer) Bunnell, was born February 12, 1967, in Oskaloosa. Growing up in Oskaloosa, he enjoyed Little League and later became an avid bowler with his brothers. While in school, he worked at Fareway and Bonanza Restaurant. After graduating from Oskaloosa High School in 1985, he attended Indian Hills Community College, where he studied Machine Technology and earned his Associate Degree. He went on to utilize his skills working at Pella Corp. and Precision Pulley. Darren married Kayla Miller on April 29, 2006. They later divorced. Darren loved reading Western novels and watching Western movies; he wanted to be a cowboy early in his life. He loved the out-of-doors, enjoyed walking in nature, fishing, and had a real fascination for eagles.

His family includes his children: Melissa (Cameron) Upton of Oskaloosa, Darren Jr. "D.J." Bunnell of Quincy, IL, and Kiersten Bunnell, also of Quincy, IL; two grandchildren: Lilith and Lorelei; his parents: Delbert (Kerry) Bunnell of Winfield, IA, and Regina Bunnell of Oskaloosa; his siblings, Mechele (Ted) Harger of Oskaloosa, Jeremy Bunnell of Oskaloosa, Justin Bunnell of Smyrna, TN, and Noah Bunnell of West Branch, IA; and six nieces and nephews and three grand-nieces.

Darren was preceded in death by his grandparents: Ruby Neuendorf, Lester Bunnell, and Earl and Lucille Shaffer.

As was his wish, Darren's body has been cremated. A gathering of family and friends will be held from 5-8 p.m., Tuesday, September 28, 2021, at the Gateway Church of the Nazarene. Instead of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to his children for an education fund. Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory has been entrusted with his arrangements.



BUNNELL

OBITUARIES

BERNICE E. McCARTY

Bernice E. McCarty, 94, of Keokuk, passed away on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at her home in Keokuk.

Bernice was born on Jan 23, 1927, in Keokuk, Iowa, the daughter of Arthur L. and Marie E. (Murphy) Jones. She graduated from St. Peter's High School, and in 1953, she was united in marriage to Charles R. McCarty in Carthage. They renewed their vows at St. Peter's Catholic Church in 1962. He preceded her in death in 1993.

Bernice worked several jobs in the area, most recently working in home health care. She was a member of All Saints Catholic Church and the Ladies of Charity. She was an avid cook and baker, creating delicious food and treats for her whole family, whom she loved deeply.

Bernice is survived by four children: Debora (Rick) Jinkens of Wayland, Missouri; Robert (Renee) McCarty of Keokuk, Iowa; Lonnie McCarty of Keokuk; and Larry (Eveline) McCarty of Camas, Washington; a niece that was like a daughter: Teresa (Dennis) Roberts; her daughter-in-law Mary McCarty of Fort Madison, Iowa; eighteen grandchildren: Alycia (Brent) Cavanias, Justin (Samantha) Swinderman, Chrissy (Matt) Englund, Meagan Walton, Josh Swinderman, Shannon (Tasha) Jinkens, Ricky (Nisha) Jinkens, Tim McCarty, Whitney McCarty, Tyler McCarty, Danielle (Joe) Hambleton, Samantha McCarty, Dillan McCarty, Sean McCarty, Chloe McCarty, Michael McCarty, Katie Kanellopoulos and Judy Roberts; thirty-two great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Bernice is preceded in death by her parents, her son Dick McCarty of Keokuk; her brother Lonnie Jones, her sister Marie Tallman; three grandchildren: Tony McCarty, Amy Swinderman and Lonnie McCarty, Jr.; a great-grandson; and her niece Judith Van Zant.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 10 am on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at All Saints Catholic Church in Keokuk, with burial to follow at Keokuk National Cemetery in Keokuk. Visitation will be held on Monday from 2 to 7 pm, with family meeting friends from 5 to 7 pm at DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home in Keokuk. A Christian Vigil Service will be held on Monday at 7 pm directly following the visitation.

Memorials may be directed to Lee County Hospice.

Tributes and condolences may be left at www.dejongsfuneralhome.com.

DeJong-Greaves-Printy Funeral Home of Keokuk is in charge of arrangements.



MCCARTY

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Sports

Friday win a "gut-check" for Bloodhounds

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over in the final minute and half.

After Fort Madison scored on a wild 37-yard pass play with five minutes remaining, Washington would take the kick and drive back to the Hounds' 16 in eight plays.

With Fort Madison on their heels, Washington running back Ethan Ziegowski would fumble right in front of the Demons' sideline and the Hounds would recover on what would have been a Washington first down inside the 15.

The Demon weren't ready to give in, however, and would hold Jakob McGowan in check on two gut runs trying to eat up clock. Washington still had two timeouts and was able to stall Fort Madison without a first down forcing a Xander Wellman punt.

In another crazy sequence, the Demons were whistled for an illegal block on the punt play, but the same ref through is hat when he caught a Bloodhound making a horsecollar grab. Since the horsecollar and the illegal block both came after the change of possession, the offsetting penalties resulted in Washington keeping the ball at their own 27 with :37 on the clock.

Patterson would pick up yardage on first down but with time running out the Demons went to the air resulting in Wiseman's pick.

"As cliché as it sounds, it sucks that there's a team that has to take an 'L' on that because they played lights out, Doherty said of the back-and-forth affair. "(Washington's) a fast, physical football team, with a wonderful staff, and they're going to do some things."

Doherty said the win was a gut-check for players and the staff having to navigate the final two possessions.

"I'm proud of our kids and the coaching staff, too. They're probably not happy with me right now because there was some real back and forth going on in the headset," Doherty said.

"Clock management is something we think about a lot and practice, but until you're in that situation with adrenaline flowing and your kids' hard work on the line - ooof, I've honestly never been in that situation like that before as a coach, and I'm glad it worked out."

Washington scored first on their first possession when Patterson hooked up with Lucas Kroll on a 54-yard touchdown down the Hounds' sideline. Safety Xander Wellman made a play on the ball and it got just over his outstretched hand into Kroll's who ran untouched the rest of the way. The 2-point try failed.

Fort Madison would respond with its own big play on the next possession. After Landes Williams threw a jet screen to the right to Kane Williams for a couple yards, Jakob McGowan slipped off right tackle and cut to the Hounds' sidelines racing 51 yards for the score. Wellman would add the extra point.

Washington got two plays into their next possession before Tate Johnson picked off Ziegowski on a half back pass at the Demons' 25.

The Hounds would go just seven yards on the next three plays and Wellman would come in and boot a 28-yard field goal that just cleared the bar for a Fort Madison 10-6 lead that would hold up until halftime.

The Demons would try to take the lead in the 2nd quarter and looked to have done so when Patterson again got on top of the Hounds' secondary for an 80-yard TD, but a holding penalty negated the play.

A couple of exchanged four-and-outs left the Hounds with the ball at their own 17 and 4:24 left in the half.

Fort Madison put together a 12-play drive highlighted by Gavin Wiseman fighting away a ball from a defender on a 24-yard pass play to the Demons' 13.

McGowan would get taken down for a 4-yard loss and then Williams called his own number on three straight to get to 1st and goal at the 3 with :23 left in the half.

Fort Madison went to a rare 3-back set and gave the ball to Teague Smith on a counter, but the ball popped out and Washington recovered at the 1.

The Demons tried to catch lightning in the bottle, but it almost backfired in a wild end to the half. Patterson took the ball and found room running to his left. An interior Hound grabbed his jersey on the way by causing the ball to pop out. The Hounds recovered and advanced the ball back to the three with about six seconds left, but the referees ruled Patterson in the grasp, and ruled the play down to end the half.

Fort Madison received to start the third but were stalled on the possession. The forced punt was blocked and Washington took over at Fort Madison's 39. A 32-yard pass play set up 1st and goal and Patterson would sneak in for a 13-10 Washington lead.

Fort Madison answered on an 8-play, 62-yard scoring strike highlighted by Johnson's catch on 4th and 3 for a first down at the Demon 37. Johnson would get rewarded with another target, this time on a fly route down the Demons' sideline. Johnson hauled the throw in over his right shoulder at the 5 and scampered in for the score.

The Hounds would get a stop on the next series with Gavin Wiseman breaking up a long pass play on 3rd and 15 to force another punt.

Fort Madison would then put together another clock-eater going 33 yards in 12 plays. Back-to-back penalties pushed Fort Madison back to to their own 44, but Wiseman would haul in a 24-yard strike on 3rd and 21 to keep things going.

The drive would stall at the Hounds' 22, where Wellman, who had been cramping in his right leg, missed a 37-yard field goal attempt giving Washington the ball at the 20.

Both teams would punt away their next possessions before Washington would take over at their own 36 after a Bloodhound punt.

Two plays later Patterson rolling to his right under heavy pressure from Tanner Settles heaved up an air ball that got over safety Mikey DiPrima trying to make a pick and landed in the waiting hands of Ziegowski who turned to open field and ran 61 yards for the score and the 19-17 lead with 6:36 left in the game.

Johnson, who has two kickoff returns for touchdowns the season, didn't get a sniff from Washington on kicks Friday night, which resulted in some favorable field position with the Demons regularly squibbing it to the right side.

Starting at their own 36, Landes Williams took a 6-yard sack on 1st and 10 and then found Gavin Wiseman for a seven-yard jet screen to the right. On 3rd and 9 from the Demons' 37, Williams rolled to his left under pressure and threw down the Hounds' sideline where younger brother Kane had gotten behind his receiver, with Johnson also lurking in the area.

Williams caught the pass running backward over a Demons defender and turned to an empty field and sprinted down the sidelines. He was almost tripped up at the four with a Washington defender flying in to catch the play, but Williams kept his feet and slipped into the endzone. The Hounds 2 pt. attempt was turned away for a 23-19 score setting up the Demons' final two possessions.

Landes Williams said he just saw both receivers in the area and didn't want to hold onto the ball for another sack.

"I was in the pocket and I had to roll out with some pressure, but I was looking downfield and saw Tate and Kane down there so I just threw it in that direction and Kane came down with it," Williams said.

It was the second time the two had hooked up on touchdowns this year. Kane said that was his biggest varsity football moment yet, and said catching it from his brother made it more special.

"That was my first really crazy varsity moment, and I wouldn't have wanted it to have been from anybody else," Kane said.

Doherty said the moment was born out of a little older brother scolding.

"The funny part of that is early in the game, Landes was scrambling and Kane didn't go high and find a spot, and Landes let him have it. Big brother laid down the hammer and little brother listened and came through," Doherty said.

Landes Williams was 18 of 26 for 231 yards and two touchdowns. He also had 56 yards on 12 carries. Johnson had seven receptions for 72 yards and a score. Kane Williams had six receptions for 95 yards and the touchdown. Gavin Wiseman had five catches for 64 yards. Jakob McGowan had 79 yards on 14 carries.

Defensively Daniel Sokolik led the Hounds with seven tackles, three for losses and one quarterback sack. Teague Smith had 6.5 tackles. McGowan and Ike Thacher also had a sack each for the Bloodhounds. Johnson and Henry Wiseman each had interceptions.

Sokolik was regularly disrupting the Demons read-option sets and has been a big part of the Hounds' success on the line this year.

"I have to use a lot more effort than in the past because I'm a lot smaller than other big men. But I have to say a lot about the other defensive lineman helping me by creating spaces in there," Sokolik said.

"They needed to me step up and fill in because we lost some valuable lineman last year. I put on some weight during quarantine, so I just stepped up for the job."

Landes Williams was frank about the play after the win.

"That was interesting - because we didn't play very well," he said. "They adjusted to us well at halftime and started some blitz packages, but we were getting four or five yards per run early."

Williams missed Johnson on two seam routes down the middle of the field in the first half.

"We were getting open looks down field and I just missed on a couple throws to Tate that I'm sure would have been scores. That's on me."

Doherty said Williams assessment of the Hounds play is spot on.

"He's right on. We all felt off. I made some bad play calls off certain series and had to collect myself and say 'Derek - what are you doing?' I don't know what it is about this place, but again we couldn't find our sync all game," he said.

"It's a credit to the whole team that we didn't get into a rhythm, but still competed with a really tough ball club," Doherty said.

The Hounds (4-0) hit the road again next week when they take on Mt. Pleasant, who knocked off West Burlington 24-20 Friday night.

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FORT MADISON
COMMUNITY SCHOOL
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PUBLIC HEARING
September 20, 2021
6:00 P.M.**

Note: To view this meeting please see the link on the FMCS D Website Calendar or click on the link below

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AGENDA

- I. Call meeting to order and determination of a quorum
- II. Approve the agenda
- III. Hearing on the Proposed Issuance of Approximately \$30,000,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds
- IV. Receive written comments
- V. Receive oral comments
- VI. Adjourn

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REGULAR MEETING
September 20, 2021
6:05 P.M.**

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AGENDA

- I. Call meeting to order and determination of a quorum
- II. Recognition of guests
- III. Reading of Foundation documents
- IV. Monthly communications
 - A. Student Rep Report - Tyler Horn & Logan Johnson
 - B. Curriculum Corner:
 - C. "Did You Know?":
 - D. Superintendent Goal Report
 - E. District Presentations:
 - Summer project status report
 - V. Approve the agenda
 - VI. Consent Agenda
 - A. Minutes
 1. August 16, 2021 Regular Meeting
 2. August 26, 2021 Special Meeting
 - B. Financial reports
 1. August Balance Sheet
 2. Revenue Summary Report
 3. Expenditure Report
 4. Student Activity Report
 - C. Accounts payable
 1. August General Account Board Bills for Approval

2. September General Account Board Bills for Approval
3. Student Activity Account Board Bills for Approval
4. Nutrition Fund Board Bills for Approval
5. American Express Board Bills for Approval
- D. Consider personnel resignations
 1. Valerie Beckman, Food Service, RE
 2. Jonah Diaz, Sp. Ed. Assoc., MS
 3. Dawn Linneman, Bus Associate
 4. Carissa Marx, Sp. Ed. Assoc., RE
 5. Elizabeth Nabors, Sp. Ed. Assoc., MS
 6. Tyler Schramm, Food Service
 7. Michelle Shaw, Clerical Assoc., LE
 8. Ryan Wilson, Asst. Baseball Coach ½ time
- E. Consider employment of personnel
 1. Hailey Ramatowski, 5th grade band tutor
 2. Bernadine Shoup, Custodian
- F. Consider contract modifications
 1. Consider approval of Contract Lane Change
 - G. Consider leave of absence
 - H. Consider open enrollment requests
 - I. Other reports
 1. Activity and athletic fundraisers
- Director (blank) moved and director (blank) seconded the documents submitted in the consent section of the agenda be approved and/or filed as submitted.
- VII. Action Items
 - A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services – Kim Harmon
 1. Consider approval of REVISED Carousel Preschool Contract

2. Consider approval of the After School Program Wage list
3. Consider approval of the 21-22 Mentor Buddy Stipend
4. Consider approval of the 21-22 Grandwood 28E Agreement
- B. Superintendent – Erin Slater
 1. Consider approval of REVISED City of Fort Madison School Resource Officer Agreement
 2. Consider approval of AFSCME Hourly Wage list
 3. Policy changes:
 - a. 100 School District Legal Status - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 - b. 101 Educational Philosophy - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 - c. 102 Equal Educational & Employment Opportunity and Non-Discrimination, Non-Harassment, Non-Retaliation - **OLD; recommend adopt new IASB model**
 - d. 102 Equal Educa-

- tional Opportunity - **NEW; recommend to adopt this IASB model**
- e. 102-E-1 Notice of Non-Discrimination - **OLD; recommend to adopt new IASB model**
- f. 102-E-1 Annual Notice of Non-Discrimination - **NEW; recommend to adopt this IASB model**
- g. 102-E-2 Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Compliance Program - **OLD; recommend new adopt IASB model**
- h. 102-E-2 Continuous Notice of Nondiscrimination - **NEW; recommend to adopt this IASB model**
- i. 102-E-3 Notice of Section 504 Student and Parental Rights - **no changes**
- j. 102-E-3.1 Grievance Form for Complaints of Discrimination or Non-Compliance with Federal or State Regulations Requiring Non-Discrimination - **ours only; recommend to delete**
- k. 102-E-4 Complaint Form - **minor changes;**

- recommend move to IASB model
- l. 102-E-4.1 Grievance Documentation - **ours only; recommend to delete**
- m. 102-E-5 Student and Parental Rights - **OLD; recommend to adopt new IASB model**
- n. 102-E-5 Witness Disclosure Form - **NEW; recommend to adopt this IASB model**
- o. 102-E-6 Disposition of Complaint Form - **ours only; recommend to delete**
- p. 102-E-7 Witness Disclosure Form - **ours only; recommend to delete**
- q. 102-R-1 General Grievance Procedure - **OLD; recommend adopt new IASB model**
- r. 102-R-1 Grievance Procedure - **NEW; recommend to adopt this IASB model**
- s. 102-R-2 Title IX Grievance Procedure - **ours only; recommend to delete**
- C. Board Secretary/ Business Manager – San-

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 1. Resolution Supporting the Proposed Issuance of Approximately \$30,000,000 School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Bonds
 2. Resolution Authorizing the Redemption of Outstanding School Infrastructure Sales, Services and Use Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2019
 3. Consider approval of engagement letter

with Beth Grob of Ahlers and Cooney for attorney services related to the issuance of Bonds
 4. Consider approval of Agreement with Piper Sandler & Co. for Financial Services related to the issuance of Bonds
 5. Consider approval of Depository Resolution
 6. Consider approval of disposal report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021
 7. Consider approval of the DLR contract for

architectural services
 8. Consider approval of Terracon invoice for Sub-surface Exploration and Geotechnical Engineering Report
 9. Consider approval of Terracon Supplement to Agreement for Services/Change to Scope of Services and Fees
 VIII. Discussion Items
 A. Director of Curriculum and Student Services – Kim Harmon
 1. Lee County Robotics Team
 B. Superintendent –

Erin Slater
 1. ESSER Funding update
 2. Return to Learn protocols
 3. IASB Quarterly Policy Updates
 a. 409.2 Employee Leaves of Absence - **new policy; recommend to adopt IASB policy**
 b. 701.1 Depository of Funds - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 c. 701.2 Transfer of Funds - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 d. 701.3 Financial Records - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 e. 702 Cash in School Buildings - **new policy; recommend to adopt IASB policy**
 f. 703.1 Budget Planning - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 g. 704.1 Local - State - Federal - Miscellaneous Revenue - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 h. 704.5 Student Activities Fund - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 i. 704.6 Online Fundraising Campaigns - Crowdfunding - **changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 j. 706.2 Payroll Deductions - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 4. Chronological Policy Updates
 a. 103 Long-Range Needs Assessment - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 b. 103-R-1 Long-Range Needs Assessment - **new regulation; recommend to adopt IASB reg.**
 c. 103.1 Evaluation of the Board of Directors Operational Procedures - **ours only; recommend to**

delete
 d. 103-E-1 Board Self-Evaluation - **ours only; recommend to delete**
 e. 103.2 Student Representation at Board Meetings - **ours only; recommend to delete**
 f. 103.3 School District Goals - **ours only; recommend to delete**
 g. 103.4 Recognition for Accomplishment - **ours only; recommend to delete**
 h. 104 Anti-Bullying/Anti-Harassment Policy - **OLD; recommend move to IASB model**
 i. 104 Anti-Bullying/Anti-Harassment Policy - **NEW; recommend move to this IASB model**
 j. 104-E-1 Harassment/Bullying Complaint Form - **OLD; recommend move to IASB model**
 k. 104-E-1 Complaint Form - **NEW; recommend move to this IASB model**
 l. 104-E-2 Peer Conflict Complaint/Resolution Form - **OLD; recommend move to IASB model**
 m. 104-E-2 Witness Disclosure Form - **NEW; recommend move to this IASB model**
 n. 104-R-1 Anti-Bullying/Anti-Harassment Investigation Procedures - **minor changes; recommend move to IASB model**
 o. 106 Discrimination and Harassment Based on Sex Prohibited - **NEW policy; recommend adopt this IASB policy**
 C. Board Secretary/Business Manager – Sandy Elmore
 1. School Board Candidates
 D. Board Member Attendance
 E. Certified Staff Attendance
 IX. Comments from the audience
 X. Legislative update
 XI. Announcements
 A. October 4, 2021, 6:00 p.m. Work Session, Board Room, Central Office
 B. October 18, 2021, 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting, Board Room, Central Office
 C. November 1, 2021 6:00 p.m. Work Session/Special Meeting, Central Office
 D. November 15, 2021 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting, Board Room, Central Office
 XII. Adjourn

Agenda
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Pledge of Allegiance
 Approve Agenda
 Public Input
 Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation
 Consider Approval of Resolution Supporting Great River Housing Trust Fund Canvass of September 14, 2021 Keokuk School District Special Election Consider Approval to Replace Correctional Officer
 Consider Approval to Amend FY22 Budget and Set Public Hearing Date
 Consider Approval of Monday, September 13, 2021 Board Minutes
 Consider Approval of Claims Reports:
 A. Sheriff's Monthly Report
 Commission or Committee Reports
 Adjourn

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Sports/From the Front

Space tourists newest explorers

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Above, Fort Madison's Ike Tacher tries to block a pass from Washington's Ethan Patterson. Below, Bloodhound Gavin Wiseman tries to break free of a couple Demon defenders.



About a minute into the liftoff, which by all comparison is a vast understatement, this Falcon 9's booster rockets separated. I think they call it B-SEP (for booster separation - I'm the jack of all trades and king of none). Anyhow, the things had cameras on the outside by what looked like aluminum flaps. I think you use aluminum alloy because it can take a lot of heat, but cools quickly. See? Jack of all trades.

Anyway, these cameras recorded the whole descent back to earth of these floating fuel canisters. Really BIG canisters. Oh... and they have boosters on them to allow the things to land VERTICALLY on the platform. SpaceX actually is working to have these boosters ready for reuse - ready to send more civilians into space - within HOURS of recapturing them.

I can see it now. They land these things on this platform, a little guy in a wet suit with a DX logo on the lapel, runs out with a hose, opens a flap, sticks a spout into a hole, and then runs back and pulls a handle on the dispenser that runs up a charge for the fill-up - swipes an AmEx card. He probably has a

red cloth hanging from his back pocket and is chewing Wrigley's.

Back to the inner part of outer space, like where the space station is.

So 24 hours into this orbiting, after aligning with the launch location, a second booster falls off and this too is recaptured remotely and landed safely back on earth. It's just amazing, and I hate that word with a passion. Not the word itself, it's never done anything to me, it's just never done anything for me.

Anyway, so they recapture all this launch equipment and reuse it, and then they recapture the space travelers.

As I watched these four souls launched at speeds that exceeded 10,000 mph, one thing entered my mind. What would I be like inside one of those suits at that moment? First of all, I would never be in one of those suits. I don't even like a five-wide 767. So let's be clear about that. This reporter would only get in one of those seats strapped in, if it was taking me to my daughter.

Aside from that, what that camera would catch of my 6'3" frame in plastic white garb and a helmet - is nothing. I would be so passed out they'd think I was dead.

My youngest brother Mike would do that trip in a heartbeat. He has no fear of the unknown. Once in the Smoky Mountains, he rode in one of those bubble choppers above the mountains and told the pilot, "You know, if you want me to take over the pedals or anything, just say so."

He got a quick No Thanks on that, but - whaaaaat? Why would you - no training? Just let's see what this feels like, or what? Those aren't like a go-cart. Idiot.

I once saw a video of him riding in one of those rides that spins way up into the sky on this single erector set thingy and then holds up there until gravity pulls it back down - really fast!. My oldest daughter was on the ride with him in the seat and she was so scared it scared me.

I was watching -on video - and had both fists over my face. This nutbar brother of mine gets up to the top where it holds you for a second and has his arm around my daughter. Good - someone at least to comfort her.

He looks at her with his other thumb and forefinger on his chin as if in thought and says, "Umm I think it's broken," and my daughter, who's like 17 at the time, screams at him. He laughs and says, "NOPE" and down they fall. I almost peed myself in the fear of watching my oldest daughter plunge to the earth while this mad man laughed all the way down, only to get another rotation to the top.

I'm so happy I didn't know this when they got off the ride. I woulda pummeled him on the spot. He may have 50 pounds on me, but he has no legs.

Mike would go into space. Chuck would not go into space.

It's frightening, but awesome and inspiring at the same time, to actually see these things take place. Talk about your bucket lists. I saw Michael Bubl  in Moline this week and checked something off.

This stuff is epic. But God Bless those souls that are currently hurling at about 16,000 miles per hour around the earth. What a view that must be, and Godspeed on the return home. I can't wait to read about it - But that's Beside the Point.



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