

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
O'FALLON COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 90
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2014
7:00 P.M.
118 E. WASHINGTON STREET**

President Hellin called the Regular Board of Education Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for a Roll Call.

PRESENT: Mary Baskett, Chris Pulcher, Todd Roach, Steve Springer, John Wagon, and Steven Hellin

ABSENT: Becky Drury

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Heidi Mueller, Jami Bossart, Lex White, Michelle Dippel, Ryan Keller, Becky Williams, Joi Wills, Kristie Belobrajdic, Rob Stoelzle, Mark Raeber, Brian Kreisler, Grady Niles, Jennifer Janning, Tracy Newton, Sara Mudd, Patti Bjornson, Mary Jane Hilden, Carrie Bohnert, Steve Tripi, Jill Doyle, Lisa Poignee, Denise Trelow, Janet Schuyler, Karen Baxter, Madeline DeVine, Ann Sodam, Brittany Kline, Jamie Smallwood, Allison Lauer, Ellen Hays, Matt Weld, Jana Vasquez and Kelli Daenzer

President Hellin led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITION

Lex White from CSX, presented Jami Bossart a check for \$4,000 for the Autism Program. Mrs. Bossart demonstrated some of the items that were purchased with their donation. The Board of Education thanked CSX and Mr. White for their generosity to District 90.

Moved by Springer, seconded by Wagon, to approve the Minutes of 8/19/2014 as written. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Springer, seconded by Baskett, to approve payment of all bills for September as listed. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The balance in the Operating Funds, including investments, at the end of August was \$5,979,874.21. The balance in the Restricted Funds including investments, at the end of August was \$4,338,806.47 for a combined balance of \$10,318,680.68.

Expenses, combined through all funds for August, were 52% salaries, 20% benefits, purchased services 16%, supplies 7% and other 5%. Revenue, combined through all funds for August, was 83% local (R.E. taxes), 11% state, 5% other, and 1% federal. Revenue for August for all funds totaled \$4,736,413.13 while expenses for August across all funds totaled \$2,234,394.31. June, July, August and September are the months that we receive the most income due to R.E. Taxes. The rest of the year, the revenue is mainly from General State Aid. The bulk of the expenses are paid up front at the beginning of the school to pay for teacher supplies, and students' books. At the beginning of the school year, the building fund pays for all of the cleaning supplies needed for summer cleaning and maintenance.

The revenue vs. expenditure graphs look good at the beginning of the school year because we receive the majority of our revenue in June, July, August and September. As the school year progresses, and the revenues dip, the graph is reversed to show more expenses than revenues. This usually happens around March to April.

Moved by Wagon, seconded by Pulcher, to approve the financial Reports as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Any Board Member that is interested in attending the Southwest Division Dinner/Meeting is asked to let June know so reservations can be made.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Steve Tripi, from the auditing firm of Schorb and Schmersahl, presented their findings in the annual school audit.

Mr. Tripi explained that the audit was different this year in that the District received two tax disbursements for fiscal year (FY)15 (begins July 1, 2014) at the end of June which is still FY14. Those two tax disbursements were direct deposited by the County Clerk into the district

account in June, which resulted in the Operations and Maintenance Fund and the Tort Fund showing a positive fund balance instead of showing the deficit balance of \$33,986.00 in the Operations and Maintenance Fund and \$17,198 in the Tort Fund. The auditing firm thought it would be in the best interest of the District to journal entry the two tax disbursements out of FY14 and put them into FY15, which in theory it would have been. By journaling the revenues out of FY14, the fund balance of the Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Fund and the Tort Fund showed the deficit balance which is frowned upon by the ISBE. At the end of each fiscal year, if a fund has a negative balance, money must be transferred from the working cash fund to reflect a positive balance. No fund can end with a negative balance at the end of a fiscal year. Later in the meeting the Board will be asked to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Abatement of the Working Cash Fund to cover the two funds that showed a negative balance at the end of FY14 (June 30, 2014).

Mr. Tripi stated that there were no accounting discrepancies discovered.

Mr. Tripi said the available credit, or debt margin, is \$10,536,689.

Springer asked if the audit report could be presented at a special meeting where we can break it down and ask questions. Wagnon thought that would be a good idea. Baskett was comfortable with the expert opinion. Roach agreed with Springer.

Mr. Tripi said he would be willing to meet with the Board to answer any questions. He also said some decision would have to be made by 2020 to cover the five million dollar debt service payment. He will ask for an extension to November 15 on the audit.

Moved by Roach, seconded by Wagnon, to table the approval of the audit report until further explanations can be given. All voted aye. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dr. Wood, Greg Brown from FGM Architects, Mark Dismukes and Rob Bohnenstiehl met to discuss Life Safety projects and inspections. District 90 is due for a ten year L/S Inspection this year. The next meeting is October 16.

Finance Committee Chairman Springer said the committee met last week to review changes to the FY15 budget. Brian Kreisler joined the meeting to discuss insurance companies and premiums. Allen Scharf also attended the committee meeting.

Policy Committee has not met but later in the meeting will be a second reading of proposed changes to Board Policies.

BASSC Committee Chairperson Baskett. Sid the committee met and discussed negotiations. No agreement has been reached yet.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The enrollment as of the end of August was 3444 students. That is 28 more students than last year at this time. Including the Pre-K program, the enrollment is 3524 students.

Moved by Wagon, seconded by Pulcher, to accept the following resignations:

Badgley, Tara – Speech Language Pathologist – Hinchcliffe – Effective last day 9/5/2014
 Carter, Jarrod – Custodian – Carriel – Effective 9/1/2014
 Chinn, Dana – IT Administrative Assistant – District - Tech Department
 Little, Ann – Art Club Sponsor (Extra Duty) – Carriel
 Pitts, Paul – Drama Sponsor (Extra Duty) - Fulton

Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Baskett, seconded by Wagon, to hire the following individuals for 2014-15:

Barker, Megan – Program Aide – Hinchcliffe – Effective 9/8/2014
 Chinn, Dana – Information Systems Manager – District – Tech Department
 Gainey, Scott – Computer Technician – District – Effective 9/8/2014
 Hudder, Lisa – Elementary Secretary – Schaefer – Effective 8/25/2014
 Marchand, Amy – Before and After Care (p.m.) – Moyer – 9/15/2014
 Maxwell, Leigh – Individual Care Aide – Moyer - Effective 9/2/2014
 Pace, Dawn – Tuition Preschool Assistant – Schaefer – Effective 8/21/2014
 Taylor, Kara – Program Aide – Kampmeyer – Effective 9/15/2014
 Valmores, Bonnie – PreK AtRisk Assistant (Grant Funded) – Schaefer – Effective 8/27/2014

Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Wagon, seconded by Pulcher to approve the reassignments of the following individuals for the 2014-2015 school year:

Cleveland, Dee – Individual Care Aide to Program Aide at Moyer – Effective 9/2/2014
 May, Alex – Custodian at Moyer to Carriel – Effective 9/2/2014
 Ricucci, Nick – Program Aide to Individual Care Aide at Hinchcliffe – Effective 9/2/2014

Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Wagon, seconded by Pulcher, to hire Substitute List No. 2 for the 2014-2015 school year:

Teacher/Para:
 Brimm, Stacey
 Cox, Renee

Nurse:
 Smith, Dana

Hammon, Amy
 Manspeaker, Patricia
 Mitchell, Trena
 O’Leary, Kathleen
 Thomas, Sandra
 Tomei, Melanie
 Wroblewski, Michelle

Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Wood explained the changes made to the proposed Budget for FY15 as not having enough money in the Life/Safety Fund to complete the projects that the District had applied for grants to do, but did not receive the grants. Those two projects were removed from the L/S Fund so there wouldn’t be deficit spending.

Dr. Wood thanked the Board for allowing Allen Scharf, retired superintendent, to work with him.

Moved by Springer, seconded by Baskett, to approve the proposed FY15 Budget as presented. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of the Before and After Care Job Descriptions was held.

Moved by Roach, seconded by Baskett, to approve the Before and After Care Site Supervisor and the Before and After Care Care Giver Job Descriptions as written. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The second reading of the following Board Policies was held.

- 4:11 Insurance Management
- 4:160 Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds
- 4:170 Safety
- 4:175 Convicted Child Sex Offender; Criminal Background Check and/or Screen Notification
- 5:280 Support Personnel Duties and Qualifications
- 6:150 Home and Hospital Instruction
- 7:250 Student Support Services

Roll call. Pulcher, Roach, Wagnon, Baskett and Hellin voted aye. Springer Abstained. Motion carried 5-0-1.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Roach, seconded by Pulcher, to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Abatement of the Working Cash Fund. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

An Abatement of the Working Cash Fund and a transfer of thirty-three thousand nine hundred eighty six and no/100 (\$33,986.00) from that Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund and a transfer of seventeen thousand one hundred ninety-eight and 00/100 dollars (\$17,198.00) from that Fund to the Tort Fund will maintain an amount to the credit of the Working Cash Fund sufficient to meet the minimum requirement of the School Code.

Moved by Springer, seconded by Pulcher, to acknowledge that funds have been received from the Booster Club for the fall sports.

Springer and Wagnon requested a cost analysis of what it would cost to bring back the athletic programs.

Moved by Wagnon, seconded by Pulcher, to hire the following individuals for approval of extra-curricular programming and funding:

Carriel and Fulton: Tracy Lauderdale – Athletic Director

Carriel:

JV Girls Softball – Becky Klotz

Cross Country: Roger Williams

Cheer Coach: Jennifer Wombacher

Poms Coach: Lindsey VanderPol

Fulton:

Cross Country: Shane Flaar

Cheer Coach: Cori Scott

Poms Co Coaches: Sherry Papachrisanthou and Jana Vasquez

Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Pulcher, seconded by Wagnon to approve the Application for Recognition of Schools. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Wagnon, seconded by Pulcher, to acknowledge and post the Administrative Compensation Salary Report. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Brian Kreisler from Warmer, Whitter, Kreisler was present to answer questions about the District's insurance. Cincinnati Insurance proposed raising the rate for commercial insurance 33%. This was largely due to the hail storm of April 20, 2013 claims.

After researching insurance companies, Mr. Kreisler offered a proposal from Liberty Mutual which covers Commercial, Earthquake and School Legal Liability coverage. The deductible would be \$10,000 where Cincinnati was proposing a two percent deductible which if all buildings were hit with wind or hail, our deductible would have been two million dollars. With the Liberty Mutual, all of the separate policies we had in prior years are combined into one policy. The Legal Liability Coverage comes due in July in the amount of \$9,880 which has already been paid. We will receive a refund from the Legal Liability Coverage which will be cancelled effective October 1, 2014. The premium total excluding the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act is \$122,544. For an additional \$3,000 fee, the District can receive an additional \$10,000,000 in Umbrella Coverage.

Moved by Baskett, seconded by Springer, to accept the Liberty Mutual proposal for property and casualty insurance with the additional \$10,000,000 umbrella for \$3,000 additional premium. Roll call. All voted aye. Motion carried.

There are different payment plans. Mr. Kreisler said that he would pay the fee of \$6 per month if we choose a payment plan instead of one payment per year.

Roach volunteered to be the Triple I Conference Delegate.

An Executive Session was not needed.

Moved by Wagnon, seconded by Baskett to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.
Adjournment time was 8:35 p.m.

Steven Hellin, President

Becky Drury, Secretary

June Wilkey Isselhardt
Recording Secretary