



WEBSTER GROVES SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015  
CENTRAL OFFICE BOARD ROOM  
400 E. LOCKWOOD AVE.  
SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI 63119

CALL TO  
ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m., Monday, May 11, 2015, by its president, David Addison. The following members were present:

David Addison	President
Amy Clendennen	
Emerson Smith	
Steve Loher	
Jean Dugan	(arrived 7:10 p.m.)
Joel Oliver	
Michael Shipley	

Also present were:

Sarah Booth Riss	Superintendent
John Simpson	Asst. Superintendent for C&I
Diane Moore	Asst. Superintendent/COO
Linda Holliday	Human Resources Consultant
Cathy Vespereny	Director of Community Relations
John M. Thomas	Director of Student Services
Jane Baumgartner	Secretary
Doug Copeland	Attorney

PLEDGE OF  
ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Addison called for and led the Pledge of Allegiance prior to beginning the meeting.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Loher, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Riss recognized *Kimberlee Shaw* for receiving the Missouri Scholars Award. Only 100 students in Missouri receive this award. Kimberlee described her experience in Columbia and what her next steps are after high school.

Dr. Riss recognized *Jessica Oliphant* for receiving the Missouri Outstanding Achievement in Citizenship Award. Only 15 students in Missouri receive this award. Jessica described her experience in Jefferson City and what her next steps are after high school.

Dr. Riss recognized *Henry Zychinski* for receiving the Eagle Award. Henry described his plans for next year.

Dr. Riss recognized *Jay Blossom*, Head Boys Basketball Coach for his induction into the Missouri Basketball Hall of Fame. Coach Blossom thanked the District for its support and dedicated the award to his team and the school district.

Mr. Lohr attended the Science Fair Awards presentation, coordinated by Betsy Guthrey. He noted this year's number of outstanding projects and great leadership.

Mrs. Dugan congratulated all Scholar Athletes for their balance of academic and athletic accomplishments. She also attended the A-Capella concert and thanked district parents for their continued support of their children in extracurricular activities.

Mr. Oliver attended the Blacktop Ball at Bristol. He noted the high attendance.

Mr. Shipley attended a baseball game with his son and also congratulated the WGSD and WGHS Administrators for graduating another great group of seniors.

Ms. Clendennen attended Clark's PTO movie night. She also mentioned that while treating his Freshmen Baseball Team to Cici's Pizza, her husband was approached by another patron who complimented the behavior and respect level of his team while dining in the restaurant.

Mr. Addison attended the strings and orchestra concert. He noted the importance of music in the WGSD and complimented the students for dedicating so much time outside of school to work on their skills in music.

Cathy Vespereny recognized the 24 Award-Winning Latin students, Orchestra/Band honors, and students inducted into the German National Honor Society.

Sarah Riss congratulated Hudson Elementary for receiving Gold Level PBS Recognition. Hudson will be honored at the Summer Training Institute at Tan-Tar-A on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. Hudson is the first district school to earn this award.

Updated Correspondence Log was reviewed. No additional questions were asked.

PUBLIC  
COMMENTS

No public comments were offered.

LIAISON  
ACTIVITIES

Ms. Clendennen provided an update on the June 13-14 MSBA Leadership Summit. She reminded board members to RSVP to Jane if planning on attending.

Mr. Addison reminded board members of the upcoming retreat on June 20, 2015 in the Central Office Board Room. He encouraged submissions of additional meeting topics. Any further BOE calendar dates will be covered as they become closer.

Mr. Addison updated the board on the superintendent search process. 11 firms were sent RFQs on May 8, 2015. Search firms have until June 1, 2015 to submit a proposal. Every board member will be included in the interview and selection process.

REPORTS FROM  
SUPT. AND STAFF

Diane Moore introduced Rob Steuber to present the WGSD Service Center and Storage Facility bid. Rob reviewed the bid process and summarized the four companies who submitted bids for the project. He assured the board that the work is necessary to meet ADA codes and allow the district to properly utilize the facility. He is recommending that the contract be awarded to Lawlor Corporation at the cost of \$171,099. Mrs. Dugan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Oliver, that the Board of Education approve Lawlor Corporation to complete ADA and code compliance work for the Service Center/Storage Facility. The cost to complete this work should not exceed \$171,099. Motion passed 6-1.

Diane Moore presented the 2014-15 budget update. Operating revenues have increased and expenses have been adjusted in the areas of Gas/Electric/Water and Food Service. The current budget reflects a projected deficit of \$490,012. Final revenues and expenses will be brought to the board for approval at the June meeting.

David Addison reviewed the BOE graduation responsibilities. No additional questions were asked.

David Addison reviewed the BOE staff recognition responsibilities. No additional questions were asked.

John Simpson highlighted components from the 2015-16 Professional Development Plan. He included information on creating responsive learning environments, Garage Band, Google Classroom, continuation of the work from The Collaborative, and creating learning opportunities such as STEAM workshops, Experiential learning camp, and Tweet Up.

PUBLIC  
COMMENTS

Craig Niehaus, 82 Frederick Ln. Glendale, MO asked if the District publicized the increases in commercial and personal tax rates that would have been attributable to Props S&W, if passed. Ms. Clendennen and Mr. Addison assured Mr. Niehaus that someone would respond to his question at a later time.

CONSENT  
AGENDA

Mr. Loher moved, seconded by Mrs. Dugan, approval of the **consent agenda**:

- 007a Approve Minutes from April 27, 2015 Special/Workshop Meeting
- 007b Payment of Bills
- 007c Approve Personnel Report
- 007d Approve Social Studies Curriculum
- 007e Approve Science Curriculum
- 007f Approve Gifted Curriculum
- 007f Approve Contract with BAFC Consulting Group
- 007h Approve Professional Development Plan for 2015-16

The motion carried 7-0.

RECESS INTO  
EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

Mr. Loher moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver, that the meeting recess and move into executive session at 7:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing Property [Sec. 610.021(2) RS MO], Personnel [Sec.610.021(3) RS MO], and a Student Matter [Sec.610.021(6) RS MO]. Mr. Smith, yes; Mr. Oliver, yes; Mrs. Dugan, yes; Ms. Clendennen, yes; Mr. Addison, yes; Mr. Shipley, yes; Mr. Loher, yes. The motion carried 7-0.

RECONVENE

Open Meeting was reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

ADJOURN

Mrs. Dugan moved, seconded by Mr. Loher, that the open meeting adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Motion passed 7-0.

President

Secretary

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