



EXCELSIOR SPRINGS
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If you have any questions about any of the agenda items, or other topics about the district, please feel free to call Dr. Lawrence at 630-9200.

Board of Education Meeting Notes for April 11, 2016

Consent Agenda

Approved bills, financial reports, resignations, substitute teacher lists, building reports, meeting minutes, Waste Management Services contract and Gillis-Cornerstones of Care Contract.

You can read the details of each of these items via our website www.essd40.com click on “Board of Education” button on bottom of page, click on “Board Meeting Documents” bottom right of page, and finally click on the meeting date you want to view. Use “View the Agenda” button and pull up the supporting documents that are attached to each agenda item you want to review.

Recognition(s)

Classified Employee of the Month Award was presented to Romeo Templeton, technology technician.

SkillsUSA National Qualifiers:

1. Brandon Meyers / 1st Place - Firefighting / Excelsior Springs HS
2. Braden Moser / 1st Place - Information Technology Services / Excelsior Springs HS and also elected a SkillsUSA State Officer.
3. Cole Riffle / 1st Place - Robotics: Urban Search and Rescue / Lathrop HS
4. Jeremiah Oliphant / 1st Place - Robotics: Urban Search and Rescue / Excelsior Springs HS
5. Owen Liehti / 1st Place - Teamworks (team of 4) / Excelsior Springs HS
6. Alex Jensen / 1st Place - Teamworks (team of 4) / Polo HS
7. Brendan Newcomer / 1st Place - Teamworks (team of 4) / Lawson HS
8. Garrett Siegel / 1st Place - Teamworks (team of 4) / Excelsior Springs HS

Mr. Ed Gouldsmith and Mrs. Sherry Ballinger (SkillsUSA advisors) also spoke about the state competition and the students.

Apple Bus Company (Ryan Kisner and Tabitha Hess), was recognized for their recent 100% passing rate by the Missouri Highway Patrol Inspection.

Educational Foundation Report

Mr. Harkins noted the Foundation has teamed with the local Rotary Club and the Gregg Williams Foundation and is hosting a reverse raffle event on July 14th at The Elms Hotel.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Lawrence's Superintendent's Report included updates on the following (a complete copy is available online via BoardDocs; April 11, 2016 meeting).

The focus of the April 25th board workshop will be a review of this year's budget and planning for fiscal year 2017. The workshop will be held on April 25th at 7 p.m. in the Boardroom.

The 2016 legislative session was on spring break March 21-25 and during that time Dr. Lawrence had the opportunity to meet with Senator Hegeman.

The Area Job Corps Center has a new director, Al Ford, and which Dr. Lawrence met him at their luncheon held on March 22nd. They spoke briefly about some possible "win-win" opportunities with their trade classes and those offered by the Career Center.

Health insurance renewal rates have come in and with a 3% increase. The District Finance Team are scheduled to meet on April 19th to review the options available and select one for Board approval.

Presented a recap and the responses to those questions and comments from the March 28th Listening Post.

Discussion/Action Items

Detailed copies of the following agenda items / reports can be found on BoardDocs as outlined above.

1. Continuous Improvement Survey Results

Dr. Lawrence presented a detailed report on the results of the Continuous Improvement Survey sent to the community, students, teachers and administrators in February. Discussion was had on the surveys and how the information will be used in developing the District's Measures of Success as they relate to continuous improvement. He also noted it is great information for the various stakeholders and those areas where better communication is needed.

2. Approval of Real Estate Broker Services

Accepting a bid for real estate broker services for the Career Center house is on hold until it's within 30 days of completion.

3. Elementary Principals Academic Progress Reports

Elementary principals Christi Rice, Rita Linhart and Larry Nelson, presented updates on their building's Math Fact Fluency and Scholastic Reading Inventory progress to date and the processes that have been implemented for improvement.

4. Approval of Carpet Replacement Bid - Westview Elementary

The bid from Taff's Carpet in the amount of \$16,727.93 for the carpet replacement at Westview Elementary (library, server room, counselor's office, school office and classrooms 1,2,3 and 4) was accepted.

5. Recognition of Outgoing Board Member - Matt Hartwig

Mr. Harkins recognized outgoing board member Matt Hartwig for his service and dedication during his three-year term. He was presented with a plaque on behalf of the Board of Education and District.

The board adjourned sine die for 2015-2016 and following a short break the second agenda / meeting was called to order by Dr. Lawrence.

The Oath of Office was administered to incumbent Tray Harkins and new member Darren McKown.

Tray Harkins and Troy Snelling were re-elected president and vice president respectively. Dr. Lawrence and Lisa Shelton were re-elected treasurer and secretary respectively. Dr. Houck was re-appointed MSBA delegate and Darren McKown the alternate.

*Next Regular Board of Education meeting will be held at the Early Childhood Center at 113 Line Street on **May 9, 2016 at 7:00pm.**