



**Board of Education Meeting Notes for February 13, 2017**

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Board president, Tray Harkins, called the February 13, 2017 meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7 p.m. with all members present except for Kristi Shewell and Troy Snelling.

Mr. Harkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of Open Session Minutes
  - a. Regular meeting January 9, 2017
  - b. Workshop January 23, 2017
2. Approval of Bills
3. Approval of Financial Reports
4. Approval of Resignations (See Att.)
5. Approval of Revised 2016-2017 Substitutes’ List (See Att.)
6. Approval of Building Reports
  - a. Elkhorn Elementary
  - b. Lewis Elementary
  - c. Westview Elementary
  - d. Middle School
  - e. High School
  - f. Career Center
7. Approval of Agreement(s)
  - a. MSBA Full Maintenance Service Agreement 2017
8. Approval of Board Policy Revisions
9. Declaration of Surplus Property

<b>B.04. CONSENT AGENDA – RESIGNATIONS</b>	
<b>Name</b>	<b>Position / Building</b>
Alicia Kern	Paraprofessional / Lewis Elem. (Eff. last day of school)
Chad Smith	Health / Middle School (Eff. 1/23/17)
Deanna Baxter	JV/V Asst. Softball Coach

**B.05. CONSENT AGENDA – REVISED SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIST**

<b>Certified Substitute Teachers</b>		
<b>Additions to List:</b>	<b>[* = Certified Teacher]</b>	<b>Removed from List:</b>
Dillon Stonum		
<b>Classified</b>		
Kristin Fish		

**B.08. CONSENT AGENDA – MSBA Recommended Policy Revisions**

<b>Policy Code</b>	<b>Policy Title</b>	<b>MSBA Recommendation</b>
EA	Support Services Goals	Rescind
ECA	Building and Grounds Security	Approve Revisions
GBA	Exempt and Nonexempt Employees	Approve Revisions
GBAA	Staff Extra-Duty Assignments	Approve Revisions
GCBA	Professional Staff Compensation	Approve Revisions
GCD	Professional Staff Recruiting and Hiring	Approve Revisions
GDBA	Support Staff Compensation	Approve Revisions
GDC	Support Staff Recruiting and Hiring	Approve Revisions
IGBCA	Programs For Homeless Students	Approve Revisions
IND	Ceremonies and Observances	Approve Revisions
JEC	School Admissions	Approve Revisions
JGF	Discipline Reporting and Records	Approve Revisions
KK	Visitors To District Property/Events	Approve Revisions

**C. Recognition****1. Classified Employee Recognition Award – Tami Pollard**

Dr. Tomlinson recognized Tami Pollard, library assistant at Elkhorn Elementary, as the Classified Employee of the Month for February 2017.

**D. MSBA Delegate Report**

The February 2017 MSBA Board Report video was viewed.

**E. Excelsior Springs Educational Foundation Report**

Executive Director, Courtney Cole, presented the following update on the Excelsior Springs Educational Foundation.

1. Roberts Robinson Chevrolet is going to have a Drive 4 UR School event on May 6th and for every test drive \$10 will be donated to the Foundation.
2. The wall of honor has been updated to reflect 2016 donors.
3. Currently working on a number of grants with various staff: Parents As Teachers; Kauffman Foundation (High School); Early Childhood Center, and the Department of Natural Resources (further detail in H.08.a.) to name a few.
4. Red Cross Pharmacy is going to supply all staff and students for solar eclipse viewing glasses.
5. Working with the district's registered nurse, Michelle Caron, on a grant that will provide AED's.
6. Serving on Community for All Ages board and several other community committees.

## **F. Visitors' Forum**

None.

## **G. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Lawrence presented his Superintendent's Report which included the following. A complete report can be found on the district's BoardDocs website under this agenda item.

1. Planning to have a joint workshop with the City Council on March 6th.
2. State budget update.
3. Stakeholder survey results review (i.e., teacher, students and community) noting those concerns that were below 60%.
4. Governor Greitens State of the State address and his priorities for public education:
  - \* Vouchers (Education Savings Accounts) for children with special needs
  - \* Raising beginning teacher pay
  - \* Protecting teacher pensions
  - \* Expand course access through the use of technologyHowever he is sending to legislature additional cuts to transportation (34%)
5. House Bill 634 (filed on January 30) that will allow charter schools to be operated in any school district of the state. He reviewed many of the concerns with charter schools.

## **H. Discussion / Action Items**

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

### **1. Approval of 2017-18 School Year Calendar: a) Public Comments**

Dr. Lawrence presented the proposed 2017-2018 school year calendar and the process completed by the District Leadership Team including the survey that was sent out to all stakeholders that was used in developing the calendar.

Mr. Harkins then opened up the meeting to the public for comments and questions where there were none heard.

The 2017-18 school year calendar was approved as presented by Dr. David Lawrence.

### **2. Secondary Principals Academic Progress Reports**

- a. Mark Bullimore presented Phase II of the Middle School's Quality Improvement Cycle. Reviewed their Plan, Goal and Do.
- b. John Newell presented an update on the High School's Questioning concept / instructional practice. Reviewed their goal, data to be collected, and predictions.
- c. Dr. Chris Lake presented an update on the Career Center's Embedded Math Credit focus. Reviewed how they have been building on Math annually since the 2013-14 school year when they received the TCTW Grant, their goal and plan.

Dr. Lake also noted that this Thursday during parent / teacher conferences the public is invited to the Building Trades' open house at their new May St. house that will be on the market soon.

### **3. Community Center Update**

Mr. Harkins, on behalf of the Community Center, presented the following update.

- a. The director is no longer there and an interim director (Jesse Hall) has been hired for 90 days.
- b. Memberships are at 1300 units which equals about 2500 people.
- c. The programs and facility have been very successful for the most part.

**4. Approval of Apple Bus Contract Extension**

The contract extension with Apple Bus Company was approved through the 2021-2022 school year and at the rates as outlined in Schedule A of the contract

**5. Approval of A+ Program Evaluation**

Mrs. Kelly Schick, high school Guidance Counselor, presented an update on the A+ Program including:

- a. What it is
- b. Eligibility requirements
- c. How the Algebra I EOC affects eligibility
- d. Eligible public community colleges
- e. 4 year universities offering A+ scholarships / incentives
- f. Graduation rates
- g. Strengths and concerns of the program
- h. Current district information

The A+ Program Evaluation was approved as presented by Mrs. Schick.

**6. Approval of Job Corps Concurrent Enrollment Agreement**

Dr. Reynolds presented the new Cooperative Agreement Between the District and the Job Corps Center for Con-Current Enrollment of Students. She noted the new partnership being developed between the Job Corps and the district's Career Center programs (at no additional cost) and the programs that each offers that would benefit the students of the Job Corps and the Career Center. Discussion was had on the matter.

The Cooperative Agreement Between the Excelsior Springs School District and the Excelsior Springs Job Corps Center for Con-Current Enrollment of Students was approved as presented by Dr. Stephani Reynolds.

**7. Approval of March 6th Joint Meeting with City Council**

A joint meeting of the school board and the Excelsior Springs City Council was set for March 6, 2017 at 7 p.m. (location TBD) as recommended by Dr. Lawrence.

**8. Approval of Grant(s): a) Federal Recreational Trails Program Matching Funds; and b) Missouri State Parks-Land & Water Conservation. Fund**

Courtney Cole presented and reviewed two matchings grants for which the district is eligible to apply. The Federal Recreational Trails Program Grant (through the Dept. of Natural Resources) was not approved. Discussion was had on the matter.

It was approved to apply for the Missouri State Parks Outdoor Recreation Grant in the amount of \$20,418 and which includes a 50/50 match of funds by the district in the amount of \$10,209 to renovate the Early Childhood Center's playground.

**Closed Session**

The following employment recommendations were approved.

<b>J.02.a. Employment Recommendations</b>	
<b>Certified</b>	<b>Position / Building</b>
Abigail Curry	MPP Preschool / Westview
Anneliese Gould	Elementary Principal

Ashley Zweifel	Speech Language Pathologist
Wyatt Lee	Custodian / High School (Eff. 2/13)

\*Next Regular Board of Education meeting will be held at the Early Childhood Center at 113 Line Street on **March 13, 2017 at 7:00pm.**