



Board of Education Meeting Notes for September 11, 2017

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Board president, Tray Harkins, called the September 11, 2017 meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m. with all members present.

Consent Agenda

01. Approval of Open Session Minutes
 - a. Regular meeting August 14, 2017
 - b. Tax Rate Hearing August 28, 2017
 - c. Board Work Session August 28, 2017
02. Approval of Bills
 - a. Approval to Pay Check #46277 (Tabled from Aug. 14, 2017 Mtg.)
03. Approval of Financial Reports
04. Approval of Resignations (See Att.)
05. Approval of Revised 2017-2018 Substitutes’ List (Certified & Classified) (See Att.)
06. Building Reports
 - a. Elkhorn Elementary
 - b. Lewis Elementary
 - c. Westview Elementary
 - d. Middle School
 - e. High School
 - f. Career Center
07. Approval of Program Evaluation(s)
 - a. Food Service
08. Approval of Contract(s)
 - a. Belton-Ozanam Southland Cooperative (BOSCO)
 - b. New Teacher Network Contract
09. Declaration of Surplus Property
10. Re-Adopt Policy BBFA – Board Member Conflict of Interest & Financial Disclosure
11. Approval of Network Access Control Project, Stage 2

B.04. CONSENT AGENDA – RESIGNATIONS

Name	Position / Building
Kay Brewer	Lead Custodian / Westview Elem. (Eff. 8/31/17)

Romeo Templeton	Technician 2 / Technology Dept. (Eff. 9/08/17)	
B.05. CONSENT AGENDA – REVISED SUBSTITUTE LISTS		
Certified Substitute Teachers		
Additions to List:	[* = Certified Teacher]	Removed from List:
Hope Lundy		Mike Britt
Jeffrey Lamp*		Shirley Schwab
Mary Mathis		
Timothy Madden		
Classified Staff:		
Katherine Honts		

C. Recognition

Information: 1. Retirement - Jane Haddock

Dr. Tomlinson noted health room aide, Jane Haddock, was retiring. She was unable to attend the meeting however Dr. Tomlinson noted her years of service and dedication to the staff and students of the district were deeply appreciated.

Information: 2. Classified Employee Recognition Award - Brittany Stayton

Dr. Tomlinson recognized Brittany Stayton, high school custodian, as the September 2017 Classified Employee of the Month.

D. MSBA Delegate Report

Report: 1. Report MSBA Monthly Board Report

Viewed the MSBA September Board Report video.

E. Excelsior Springs Educational Foundation Report

Information, Report: 1. Educational Foundation Report

Dr. Tomlinson presented the following update on the Education Foundation on behalf of Courtney Cole, Executive Director, who was unable to attend the meeting.

1. Working to sell skybox sponsorships for the home football games.
2. Dec. 8th is the Foundation's annual Murder Mystery Masquerade. Invitation was extended to all.
3. Working on partnering with Harrisonville for goods / services.

F. Visitors' Forum

Information: 1. Visitors' Forum

None.

G. Superintendent's Report

Action, Report: 1. Consider to Approve 2017-2018 Board of Education Goals

The following goals were approved as presented by Dr. Hoehn and as a result of the Board's work session on August 28th.

Goal 1: *Student Performance*

The Excelsior Springs School District will proceed with development and implementation of quality educational/instructional programs which supports the district's Comprehensive School Improvement Program (CSIP). The

overarching goal is to improve academic performance which will enable students and staff to meet their personal and career goals. The Excelsior Springs School District will strive to improve the DESE Annual Performance Report (APR) score by 5 % each school year.

Goal 2: *District Facilities*

The Excelsior Springs School District will maintain and construct facilities which promote a safe, quality, and innovative educational environment. By the conclusion of the 2017-2018 school year, the Board of Education will adopt Architectural Services and begin the process of developing a strategic short and long term Facility Plan.

Goal 3: *District Communication*

The Excelsior Springs School District is committed to promoting quality "internal" and "external" communication. By May of 2018, the Board of Education will review and approve updated District Communication Strategies which include measureable activities related to the school community (students, parents, staff, and district climate).

Goal 4: *Finance*

The Excelsior Springs School District is committed to providing appropriate resources to operate a safe, effective and efficient school district. The district will maintain unrestricted reserve balances of 23% (~ with 3% variance).

Goal 5: *Human Resources*

The Excelsior Springs School District seeks to employ highly qualified staff which promotes the district's vision, mission, and values. Each school year the district will strive to retain 85% of its certificated staff.

Report: 2. Enrollment Data - September

Dr. Hoehn presented the September enrollment data; noting the district is up 110 students overall.

H. Discussion / Action Items

Information, Report: 1. Career Center Proposed New Program for 2018-19

Dr. Lake presented information regarding a potential Career Center program for the 2018-2019 school year. He reviewed their process which included but is not limited to the following: rationale, program consideration, survey data, pros and cons for each of the programs being considered (cosmetology, culinary, CSI/law enforcement), education (and what the sending schools are currently offering in their districts). Discussion was had on the matter and further information will be provided as the Career Center works towards their final recommendation.

Action: 2. Approval of Library Media Services Program Evaluation

The Library Media Services Program Evaluation was approved as presented by Michelle Nebel.

Ms. Nebel also introduced building librarians Julie Houck (High School), Kathy Travis (Middle School), Cheryl Bailey (Westview) and Stephanie Rhodus (Elkhorn and Lewis). The librarians presented an overview of the program evaluations and the services provided by Library Media Services.

Report: 3. Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP) Update

Dr. Reynolds presented an update on the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP) 2017-2022. She reviewed Focus Area 1: Student Performance; Focus Area 2: Highly Qualified Staff; Focus 3: Facilities, Support and Instructional Resources; Focus 4: Parent and Community Involvement; Focus 5: Governance. Discussion was had on the CSIP and the progress that it is being made towards its goals.

Information: 4. Bank Depository Services RFP

Dr. Tomlinson noted that NBKC is closing its branch in Excelsior Springs and as a result the district is going out to bid on depository services (to be effective Nov. 1st). Bids are due on October 3rd and a formal recommendation will be presented to the Board of Education for their review and consideration for approval at their regular meeting on October 9th.

Report: 5. Clay County Children's Fund Tax

Dr. Tomlinson reported on the new Children's Sales Tax that passed in Clay County with the August 8th election. He noted, "it is estimated that the new tax will bring in \$8M per year and that \$2M each year will go to serve school district initiatives for mental health." He also noted that all Clay County schools have met and working together to ensure there is a united front to preserve everyone's access to that revenue stream that will benefit all students.

Report: 6. Apple Bus Billing

Dr. Tomlinson noted that the district noticed a large discrepancy in the transportation billing at the conclusion of summer school. Upon further review and discussion with Apple Bus it was discovered that there is an even larger discrepancy in the billing that spans a few years. Dr. Tomlinson is working with the district's attorney to determine the liability and responsibility for these contractual items.

During closed session the Board of Education accepted Terri Combs, Director of Student Services, letter of resignation (retirement) effective with the end of the school year.

They also approved the employment of Lois Tratnik, Special Education paraprofessiona.

*Next Regular Board of Education meeting will be held at the Early Childhood Center at 113 Line Street on **October 9, 2017 at 6:30 pm.**