



**Board of Education Meeting
September 13, 2010
Board Summary**

Presentation – The HS FFA, under the direction of Doug Roderick, presented information regarding the FFA chapter at Southern Boone.

Consent Calendar

- Employment Approval – Alan Campbell, Custodian
Dwayne Christian, Custodian
Gemma McKenna, MS Assistant Track
- Perpetual Calendar – Revisions were made to the district perpetual calendar. This details the reports and evaluation of program schedule for the district. This document is available on the district website.
- Approval of Special Education Compliance Plan
- Approval of a waiver of residency was granted
- Approval of updated substitute list

Reports

Charlotte Miller updated the board on the enrollment throughout the district. As of September, the district has increased by 47 students, as compared to last year at this time. She also reminded the board of the scheduled work sessions on September 15 for facility planning and September 29 for financial planning. Pat Lacy reported on several activities throughout the district this fall. He reported great participation by the students. Check out the booster club website which details many of the events for the Southern Boone School District.

www.ihigh.com/southernbooneagles/

Mr. Van Deven highlighted activities in the high school. Homecoming activities are in place for the week of September 20- 24. The schedule is detailed on the district website. Mr. Simpson and Mrs. Fatherley also highlighted the work being done in their buildings. Much work is being done by the teaching staff to improve the learning for our students. Highlights were also given from Amy Hampton from the PTA and Joe Miller reported on the work being done with the Eagle Foundation. A Golf Tournament is planned for September 25 for the purpose of supporting the efforts of the fitness center project for the school district.

Visitor Comments and Communications

The board welcomed and introduced the officers of the Athletic and Band Boosters as well as the PTA. We appreciate all that these support organizations do for the children in our district.

Instructional Reports/ Perpetual Calendar

eLearning Lab – Dale Van Deven, HS Principal updated the board on the eLearning Lab. This lab allows students to take on-line courses through MO Virtual Schools Program. This enabled the students to access Advanced Placement Courses, as well as Chinese and Latin. Students must meet specific criteria to enroll in these rigorous course offerings. Currently 9 students are accessing 15 courses through this program.

Preliminary Annual Performance Report – The Preliminary APR report has been received from the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). The APR is part of the Missouri School Improvement Program, which began 20 years ago and is the foundation of the state’s accreditation process for schools. The 14 standards cover measures such as test scores (ACT, state-required MAP and new end-of-course tests), attendance, graduation rates and other academic indicators. **We are proud to announce that the Southern Boone School District was awarded 14 out of 14 points. Our district will once again be recognized with Distinction in Performance for the 10th year in a row.**

Building School Improvement Plans – The principals reviewed their BSIP plans in their perspective buildings. The BSIP plans align with the district comprehensive school improvement plan (CSIP), and detail specific goals, strategies, and action steps to support continuous improvement at each school. A copy of the building plans is available on our website under the area of Teaching Learning and Accountability.

MAP Assessment Results – Mrs. Deffenbaugh, Asst. Superintendent reviewed information regarding the MAP results. During this month’s meeting, she analyzed results from the cohort groups. For example, she shared information relative to the same group of students as they have progressed through the years. Assessment results are available on the district website under the department of Teaching, Learning, & Accountability.

Federal Program Review – Mrs. Deffenbaugh shared the evaluation of the federal programs used by the district. We participated in Title IA, Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged, Title IIA, Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting, Title IID, Enhancing Educational Technology, and Title IVA, Safe and Drug-Free Schools. The majority of federal dollars come from Title I, which supports our reading programs. This program evaluation can be reviewed on our district web site.

Graduation Honors – Mr. Van Deven, HS principal, discussed with the board the process that he will use in making recommendations to the board for honoring students at graduation. The main purpose for this plan, is to encourage and recognize students that take rigorous courses in high school. The district is enlisting parents, students, patrons, and teachers for this task force. If interested in serving, contact the HS office.

Financial Information

Financial Reports - The board received electronically a monthly financial statement for review. Charlotte Miller, Superintendent reviewed this document. This monthly financial report is available to the public on the district web site.

Old Business

New Business

The board discussed a proposed continuation of a lease agreement with ComSpec that currently exists. The lease is regulated by the Federal Communication Commission and conforms to recent changes in FCC regulations. This agreement will allow for high-speed broadband telecommunications to be accessed by our school district. This is a new technology that will be launched in the area. The board requested that the representative address the board, to provide a better understanding of this agreement. There is no charge to the district, but does have revenue implications.

Executive Session

Executive session was held to discuss specific student issues and staff concerns.

Continuing Business for October:

Monthly financial information

Budget amendment

2009-10 Audit

District Assessment Plan approval

Review of grants received

Professional Development Plan

Follow-up on facility and financial work sessions

Educational Broadband Service (EBS) Lease Agreement

Executive Session – Teacher performance review