



**Board of Education Meeting
December 14, 2009
Board Summary**

Presentation – The board enjoyed a presentation from 2nd grade students under the direction of their music teacher, Elizabeth Tummons. The board participated in their activity utilizing a variety of instruments.

Consent Calendar

- Temporary Transfer – Jana Stockstill to HS mathematics
- Permanent Substitute – Tanya Behrens – 6th grade teacher
- Employment approved: Lucas Karr – 7th grade boys B-team basketball
Kelly Randle- 8th grade boys B-team basketball
Karen Persinger – 7th-8th grade girls B-team basketball
- Retirement – Grover (Junior) Davidson, district mechanic/bus driver
- Approval of updated substitute list
- Race to the Top Resolution – The board approved a resolution to support DESE’s application for the Race to the Top Grant. This is a federal grant awarded to states for school improvement efforts.

Reports

Charlotte Miller stated that the current enrollment for this district is 1425. She reminded patrons of board member filing dates that are set for December 15- January 19. Interested patrons should sign up in the Office of the Superintendent.

Rick Briedwell reviewed work that has been done in the area of maintenance throughout the district. An update on activities was given by Dale Van Deven. He highlighted students who received athletic recognitions. The [list](#) is posted on the HS web page. The principals highlighted events from their individual buildings. Parent/teacher conferences have been completed in all of the buildings with excellent participation.

Visitor Comments and Communications

Tammy Cundiff shared with the board her concern regarding the transfer of the 6th grade teacher to the HS math department.

Instructional Reports/ Perpetual Calendar

Annual Performance Report – DESE has just release the final [APR report](#). Southern Boone School District received 14 out of the 14 standards and once again will receive “Distinction in Performance”. The standards relate to student achievement, ACT performance, graduation rate, attendance as well as other indicators.

Random Drug Testing Report – Dale VanDeven, HS Principal updated the board on the quarterly report for the drug testing program. This [report](#) can be found on the district website.

Physics First – Carolyn Deffenbaugh and Dale VanDeven discussed with the board the **Physics First** project. Physics First is a partnership with the University of Missouri- Columbia and partner school districts. The project is funded by the National Science Foundation. The vision of the project is to prepare Missouri’s 9th grade science and math teachers to become intellectual leaders as they learn to teach a yearlong freshman physics course. One of the goals of this program is to increase interest of students in future science coursework and toward their career choice. The teachers will participate in professional development for three years of summer academies. This is a curricular change that will occur in the high school for our upcoming 9th grade students.

CSIP – The superintendent, Charlotte Miller, updated the board on the progress of the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan. The strategic planning committee finalized the district vision for the district and identifying specific objectives under each goal. The next CSIP meeting is scheduled for January 14, 6:00 PM in the MS Annex. The board approved the [district vision](#) and it can be reviewed on the district website.

Alternative School Program – Bob Simpson updated the board on the progress of alternative school. Several students have met the requirements to receive their diploma. This program has proven to meet the needs of students who require an alternative type of education. Several success stories can be shared from the results of alternative program.

Financial Information

Financial Reports - The board received electronically a [monthly financial statement](#) for review. Charlotte Miller, Superintendent, reviewed these document. These financial reports can be reviewed on the district website.

Refunding Option – Charlotte Miller recommended that the board approve a resolution to refund the 2002 General Obligation bonds. Through refunding this series of bonds, the district can reduce the bond payments by approximately \$105,125 and not lengthen the repayment schedule.

Budget Discussion – Charlotte Miller discussed with the board information regarding this year’s budget and expected revenues, as well as beginning to look toward the next fiscal year. Recently the district was notified of a reduction in Prop C revenues by \$80,000 for this school year. Several reductions were made to this year’s budget, but as the revenues continue to be reduced, more cuts will need to be made as the district plans for the next school year. Mrs. Miller plans to work with district administrators as well as teachers to identify strategies to decrease expenditures.

Old Business

Safety – Rick Briedwell discussed the bid proposal that have been received for security and video monitoring cameras. These bids will be reviewed in the next month and 2-3 companies will be selected to present to the Board of Education. The district is looking to phase in both a security system and controlled access for the school buildings.

Maintenance/Transportation Facility – The district received two proposals of interest for the lease purchase and construction of a maintenance/transportation facility. The board directed the administration to continue to explore the options for this facility.

Construction Management Bid – The board approved the bid for construction management services to Septagon Construction. Septagon has worked effectively with the district on previous construction projects. The cost for construction management services will be included in future building bond issue projects.

MSBA Board Survey Evaluation Tool – Bridget Canaday, board member reviewed the summary of the MSBA board survey tool that was completed in October. The board will continue to discuss this information at their annual retreat.

New Business

Fund Raising Proposal - Joe Miller, representing the Eagle Foundation, discussed a future fund raising campaign to create a weight facility, locker rooms and field turf at the high school. A committee would be organized to detail the campaign. This would be similar to a past community fund raising effort that enhanced the current athletic field facility.

Board Meeting Date – The board approved the change of the next board meeting to January 11.

Executive Session

Executive session was held for the purpose of discussion of personnel, student discipline and real estate. The board approved the purchase of 7.25 acres from David Nistendirk. This property is located north of the high school.

Continuing Business for January:

Monthly financial information

Budget Amendment

Discussion of 2010-2011 Budget

High School Course Revisions

EXPLORE/PLAN/ACT results

Policy- Physical Intervention to Prevent Injury/Harm

CSIP Update

Update on Security Cameras and Building Access proposals

Update on Maintenance/ Transportation Facility

Employment of buildings/grounds position

Executive Session

Review of staff performance

Performance Evaluation of / Employ/Extend Contract of Superintendent