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The Board of Education of the School District of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri, met in regular session at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, at the hour of 6:30 p.m., Central Daylight Time, Monday, the 13th day of October, 2014. Those in attendance were as follows:

President Christine King
Member Paul Cushing
Member Jan Mees
Member Darin Preis
Member Jonathan Sessions
Member Helen Wade
Vice President James Whitt
Superintendent Dr. Peter Stiepleman
Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operations Officer and Board Treasurer Linda Quinley
Executive Assistant to Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operations Officer and Board Secretary Tracy Davenport

Absent: None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President King at 6:27 p.m.

The first matter of business was consideration of the agenda for the October 13, 2014, meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the agenda be approved. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Consent Agenda

The Board considered approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on September 8, 2014; the minutes of the special and executive sessions of the Board of Education held on September 18, 2014; acceptance of the treasurer's report; approval of bills; approval of personnel recommendations; and approval of business transactions.

The monthly treasurer's report had been previously provided to the Board of Education by Ms. Quinley. The report showed a beginning balance for the month of September in the amount of \$87.87 million, cash receipts of \$8.39 million, cash disbursements of \$18.60 million, and an ending balance of \$77.66 million. The \$77.66 million was invested in government securities in the amount of \$67.30 million and daily investment accounts in the amount of \$10.36 million. The average interest rate for all investments was 0.20%.

The Board of Education had previously been provided a detailed report of bills and expenditures for the month of September 2014. The report totaled 345 pages. The following is a listing and summary of the bills as provided to the Board of Education:

General Ledger Accounts	\$4,287,960.70	Middle/Junior High Art	961.43
Elementary Instruction	129,911.30	Middle/Junior High Business	4,333.99
Elementary Health	3,465.43	Middle/Junior High Family and Cons. Sci.	2,881.49
Elementary Music	2,039.72	Middle/Junior High Ind. Tech.	26,891.02
Elementary Art	4,465.90	Middle/Junior High Physical Education	646.29
Elementary Science	5,175.04	Middle/Junior High Speech	412.93
Elementary Math	16,660.49	Senior High Instruction	101,422.76
Elementary Social Studies	10,994.02	Senior High Science	21,241.89
Elementary Physical Education	2,405.94	Senior High Math	1,556.29
Elementary Language Arts	713.70	Senior High Language Arts	17,681.91
Middle/Junior High Instruction	87,123.09	Senior High Social Studies	28,164.52
Middle/Junior High Science	7,163.72	Senior High Reading	90.80
Middle/Junior High Math	1,668.13	Senior High Foreign Language	378.23
Middle/Junior High Language Arts	2,591.43	Senior High Music	22,136.12
Middle/Junior High Social Studies	1,640.21	Senior High Art	5,864.37
Middle/Junior High Reading	261.98	Senior High Business Education	2,693.48
Middle/Junior High Foreign Language	177.61	Senior High Family and Cons. Sci.	5,332.84
Middle/Junior High Music	8,429.96	Senior High Industrial Tech.	8,076.09

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Senior High Physical Education	1,571.50	Enrichment	1,294.52
Senior High Speech and Drama	344.26	Financial Aid Office	304.00
Senior High Publications	899.00	Counseling/Guidance	8,842.12
Senior High Planetarium	2,686.19	Assessment Services	6,082.06
Secondary Summer School	2,255.92	Pupil Health Services	1,973.68
Alternate Instruction	101.25	Ancillary Services	358.04
Douglass High School	7,439.57	Staff Coordination	16,558.03
Child and Family Support	452.15	Staff In-service Training	83,191.47
Suspension Center	2,478.44	Library	33,217.01
Special Ed.—All Programs	52,458.64	Instructional and Info. Tech. Svcs.	4,070.16
Gifted Program	8,839.50	Board of Education	24,960.82
Title I	12,401.60	District Administration	22,432.45
Adjudicated Student	939.00	Office of the Principal	25,203.74
English—Second Language	3,460.89	Administration—Special Ed.	2,575.33
Early Childhood Special Ed.	14,656.85	Commencement	15.32
Voc.—All Programs	24,768.47	Administration—Vocational	2,454.25
Voc. Agriculture	1,868.64	Business Services	5,492.65
Voc. Welding	207.78	Maintenance Services	1,563,770.40
Voc. Business Ed.	5,697.86	Security Services	35,634.13
Voc. Family and Cons. Sci.	4,308.96	Transportation—District	540.58
Voc. Computer Ed.	89.00	Transportation—Contract	168,932.33
Voc. Health Sciences	15,830.38	Food Services Program	323,955.26
Voc. Occ. Culinary Arts	8,319.38	Research, Assessment, and Accountability	45,584.96
Voc. Trade and Industry	752.95	Information Services	44,665.56
Voc. Electronics	191.99	Employee Benefits	50,730.14
Voc. Auto Mechanics	4,505.50	Title I Early Childhood	8,927.42
Voc. Marketing and Coop. Ed.	222.16	Community Relations/PIE	7,353.33
Voc. Engineering	7,319.31	Parents As Teachers	1,531.94
Voc. Broadcast Journalism	8,599.35	Offset Printing	52,311.16
Voc. Programming	64.99	Early Childhood	8,332.93
Voc. Geospatial Information Sys.	276.58	Summer School	2,456.79
Voc. Teaching Professions	25.59	Infant/Toddler Day Care	1,787.12
Voc. Phototonics	1,136.83	Revolving Accounts	1,109.63
Voc. Safety and Security	1,320.00	Parent Involvement	4,109.95
Project Lead the Way	2,670.38	2010 Bonds Issued 04/12	9,913.90
Project Lead the Way—Biomedica	1,967.55	2010 Bonds Issued 01/14	3,184,483.02
Extracurricular Activities	107,865.06	2012 Bonds Issued 04/15	341,142.55
Athletics	66,005.92	Capital Projects—Tax	531,961.46
Adult Basic Education	1,072.42	Debt Services	265.00
Adult Business Education	1,143.64		
Adult Vocational Trades	5,530.33		
Health Occupations	17,788.99		
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$11,852,674.80

Candidates were recommended to the Board for employment in the district in professional and support staff positions.

Awarding of bids for materials, supplies, and equipment was recommended as follows:

Welders (Columbia Area Career Center)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Matheson of Columbia, MO, in the amount of \$52,941.00
Hitachi CAT6 data wire (district-wide)	Award to SMC Electric, Columbia, MO, at an estimated total cost of \$13,530.00 to \$22,550.00

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It was reported that there are several items of surplus property that are either no longer needed by a particular school or no longer required for use by the district, and it was requested that the Board act to dispose of the property by adoption of the following resolution:

Resolution

RESOLVED, that there are within the Columbia School District several items of school property that are either no longer needed by a particular school or no longer required for use by the district, such items being contained on the list which is submitted and made a part of this resolution.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the district redistribute or sell all of the aforesaid school property. If sold, the property will go to the highest bidder after proper publication of notice and pursuant to Section 177.091, RSMo.

Also presented for consideration were:

- Leadership and Learning Center contract for data team/DMR training
- Occupational therapy affiliation agreement with the University of Missouri
- Revisions to the following existing district policies to comport with state and federal laws or to clarify language:
 - CA, Administration Goals
 - CBG, Evaluation of the Superintendent
 - DI, Fiscal Accounting and Reporting/Accounting Systems
 - ECG, Animals on District Property
 - IL, Assessment Program
 - ILA, Test Security
- Facilities use agreement with Country Day School of Columbia, Inc. for summer science camps
- Annual architect evaluation and request to extend contract with Peckham, Wright and Associates for one year
- Business associate agreement with CoreSource Inc. (FMH) as third-party processor for self-insured medical plan claims
- Contract with RnB Learning LLC to manage summer school in 2015
- Request for Columbia Public Schools to serve as subcontractor for a National Science Foundation Award granted by Indian Hills Community College
- Agreement with the City of Columbia for preschool playground equipment at Hickman High School

It was moved by Ms. Mees that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Special Recognition

Assistance League of Mid-Missouri 20th Anniversary

The Assistance League of Mid-Missouri was recognized in honor of its 20th anniversary. The Assistance League has enhanced learning opportunities for Columbia students through its Links to Learning grant program and other philanthropic efforts.

Dr. Lou Ann Tanner-Jones, MO-CASE Outstanding New Special Education Administrator

Director of Special Services Dr. Lou Ann Tanner-Jones was recognized for her receipt of the Outstanding New Special Education Administrator Award by the Missouri Council of Administrators of Special Education.

Jan Mees, Missouri School Boards Association Paul Morris Community Service Award Finalist

Columbia Board of Education member Jan Mees was honored for her achievement as a finalist for the Missouri School Boards Association's Paul Morris Community Service Award.

Public Comment

No public comments were offered.

Board President's Report

Reports from Columbia Missouri State Teachers Association and Columbia Missouri National Education Association

Susie Adams, president of the Columbia Missouri State Teachers Association, and Susan McClintic, Columbia Missouri National Education Association president, presented reports from their respective organizations on recent and future activities.

Discussion of Amendment 3

At the Board's September 18, 2014, meeting, Board members approved a resolution expressing the Board of Education's opposition to Amendment 3, a proposed amendment to the Missouri Constitution that will be on the November 4, 2014, ballot. Mike Reid of the Missouri School Boards Association presented information about the amendment, which would affect control of such issues as teacher evaluations, teacher tenure, and teacher promotion and retention. Discussion of the amendment then took place.

Discussion of Policy ECA, "Building and Grounds Security"

President King led a discussion of policy ECA, "Building and Grounds Security," and the issue of allowing the district's Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator of Safety and Security to carry a firearm. Kelli Hopkins of the Missouri School Boards Association presented information on House Bill 656, which was vetoed by the governor but the veto later overridden by the state legislature. This bill allows teachers and administrators to carry concealed weapons, but the proposed changes to Columbia Public Schools' policy ECA would allow only two specific employees (the Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator of Safety and Security) to carry concealed weapons. Dr. Stiepleman indicated this policy will be discussed at the next meeting of the Board of Education Policy Committee on Monday, October 20, 2014.

Superintendent's Report

Report on Opportunity: Bright Futures, Restorative Practices, Poverty Work, Equity Teams

Dr. Stiepleman reiterated the district's mission, vision, purpose, and core values. He reviewed the district's organizational goals, which are:

1. We will be fiscally responsible with taxpayer money.
2. We will partner with the community to help children enter school ready to succeed.
3. Students will read on level by the end of third grade.
4. We will actively support student transitions.
5. Students will graduate with the necessary skills to enroll in college and/or a career program of their choice.
6. Ninety percent of students will attend school at least ninety percent of the time.
7. Out-of-school suspension numbers will decrease for all student groups.
8. Students will demonstrate academic progress as measured by state accountability systems.

The focus of the presentation was improving attendance, decreasing suspensions, and improving achievement for the super subgroup (which includes students receiving free or reduced-price meals, students with an IEP, English Language Learners, Hispanics, and African-Americans). Dr. Dana Clippard, Deputy Superintendent, discussed the data team process and how it improves instruction by collecting and analyzing data and prioritizing learning needs. Dr. Eryca Neville, principal of Douglass High School; and Kim Nuetzmann, Fellows Program coordinator, discussed equity teams and equity training. Jerome Sally, assistant principal at Hickman High School, presented information on restorative practices. Ben Tilley, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; Kelly Off, first grade teacher at Russell Boulevard Elementary School; and Kristina Neurohr, a second grade teacher at Derby Ridge Elementary school presented information on teaching with poverty in mind. Mr. Tilley also discussed Bright Futures, a way to engage communities and individuals to support individual student needs that cannot be met with school district resources.

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New Business

Consideration of Program and Budget Requests

Ms. Mees noted there were four separate items being presented for consideration; she moved that the item on piloting girls' lacrosse at district high schools be removed for separate consideration, and that the other requests (addition of 4.0 FTE paraprofessionals to help meet the needs of students with IEPs, 1.0 FTE paraprofessional for a student on a 504 plan, and 2.0 FTE HVAC personnel to manage filter replacement cycles in district buildings) be approved as presented. After discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Ms. Mees moved that the piloting of girls' lacrosse at district high schools be considered as a budget item for the 2015-16 school year. After Board discussion and comments from athletic directors Matt Hale (Battle High School), J.D. Coffman (Hickman High School), and David Egan (Rock Bridge High School), public comments were received from the following individuals:

- Angel Renick, 205 Snead Drive
- Keri Simon, 21 N. Cedar Lake Drive
- Megan Lilien, 409 Stallworth Court
- Devin Snyder, 1002 West Boulevard North
- Jim Guffey, 3585 Wind Chime Court
- Robert Panke, Clayton High School
- Emily Franke, 3800 Buckhorn Court
- Linda Blockus, 2009 Wynfield Drive
- Susan McClintic, 15201 W. Highway BB, Rocheport

After additional Board discussion, the vote was 5 yes—2 no (Mr. Cushing and Mr. Whitt voted no).

Consideration of Construction Contracts and Change Orders

It was moved by Mr. Preis that the current construction contracts and change orders be approved as presented. After discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Announcements

President King announced there will be no work session of the Board of Education this month; however, there will be a World Café on Wednesday, October 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the ARC, with a MyOn Reader demonstration at 6:00 p.m.

Information was shared about various activities in which Board members have recently taken part or in which they will soon take part.

Adjournment

There was no further business to come before the Board, and it was moved by Mr. Whitt that the meeting be adjourned. The vote was 7 yes—0 no. The meeting was declared adjourned at 9:10 p.m.