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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 14th day of March, 2016. Those in attendance were as follows:

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

Absent: Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operations Officer and Board Treasurer Linda Quinley

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Whitt at 6:30 p.m. Also present at the meeting were Deputy Superintendent Dr. Dana Clippard, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education Ben Tilley, and Director of School Improvement Shelli Adams.

The first matter of business was consideration of the agenda for the March 14, 2016, meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Mr. Cushing that the agenda be approved as presented. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Consent Agenda

The Board considered approval of the minutes of the regular session of the Board of Education on February 8, 2016; approval of the minutes of the special session of the Board of Education on February 18, 2016; acceptance of the treasurer's report; approval of bills; approval of personnel recommendations; approval of policies; and approval of business transactions.

The monthly treasurer's report had been previously provided to the Board of Education by Jim Cherrington, Director of Business Services. The report showed a beginning balance for the month of February in the amount of \$143.93 million, cash receipts of \$32.09 million, cash disbursements of \$37.21 million, and an ending balance of \$138.81 million. The \$138.81 million was invested in government securities in the amount of \$127.50 million and daily investment accounts in the amount of \$11.31 million. The average interest rate for all investments was 0.72%.

The Board of Education had previously been provided a detailed report of bills and expenditures for the month of January 2016. The report totaled 329 pages. The bills payable totaled \$10,001,522.66.

Personnel recommendations were made to the Board for employment and/or separations regarding professional and support staff positions in the district.

Revisions to the following policies were recommended for approval:

- DGA, "Authorized Signatures"
- FEB, "Selection of Architectural, Engineering and Land Surveying Services"
- GCA, "Professional Staff Positions"
- GDA, "Support Staff Positions"
- IGBH, "Programs for English Language Learners"
- JFH, "Student Complaints and Grievances" (rescind policy)
- JFH-R1, "Procedure for Implementation of the Grievance Policy" (rescind policy)

Awarding of bids for materials, supplies, and equipment was recommended.

Also presented for consideration were:

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- Battle High School basketball banquet facilities and services agreement with Columbia Benevolent Organization
- Battle High School fundraiser facilities and services agreement with Columbia Benevolent Organization
- Battle High School golf tournament reservation agreement with City of Columbia for Lake of the Woods Golf Course
- Douglass High School graduation facility use agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for Missouri Theatre
- 4-H Youth Futures: College Within Reach partnership agreement with University of Missouri Extension
- Hickman High School advanced placement testing facility use agreement with Forum Christian Church
- Hickman High School contract with School Datebooks
- Hickman Review facility use agreement with Orr Street Studios
- Rock Bridge High School Jazz Band contract with White Knight Coaches
- Rock Bridge High School licensing agreement with Samuel French for play rights to *The Trysting Place*
- Rock Bridge High School licensing agreement with Samuel French for play rights to *Vital Signs*
- Rock Bridge High School service agreement with Pocket Points, Inc. for mobile application
- Ameren elevated delivery of gas pressure request for Early Childhood Learning Center
- Chiller maintenance agreement renewal with Ozark Mechanical
- Fry-Wagner Mid-Missouri, Inc. master commercial moving and warehousing agreement
- Trailer relocation services agreement addendum with KW Transport & Mobile Home Service LLC for Benton Elementary School
- Trailer relocation services agreement addendum with KW Transport & Mobile Home Service LLC for Gentry Middle School
- Adventure Club agreement renewal for 2016-17 school year
- Adventure Club agreement for summer 2016
- Federal Student Aid Application File Systems (FAFSA) data access agreement
- Fuel Up to Play 60 grant application
- GovDeals, Inc. financial settlement services agreement addendum
- Annual audit services engagement with Marr and Company, P.C. for five years beginning in 2015-16 and ending in 2019-20
- Missouri Preschool Program Learning Communities Project (MPPLCP) consulting agreements
- Missouri School Boards' Association full service policy maintenance agreement
- University of Northwestern Ohio articulation agreement
- AVID agreement renewal for 2016-17
- Central Missouri Community Action BRIDGE Program memorandum of understanding
- Internet service provider contract with Socket Telecom, LLC
- Tech Hire grant program partnership agreement with State Technical College of Missouri
- Workforce Software time management services agreement
- Youth Community Coalition memorandum of understanding
- Food Bank for Central & Northeast Missouri Buddy Pack program agreement

It was moved by Ms. Mees that the agenda be approved as presented. Mr. Preis requested removal of item 1f29, the Central Missouri Community Action BRIDGE program memorandum of understanding, for separate consideration. It was moved by Mr. Sessions that the Central Missouri Community Action BRIDGE program memorandum of understanding be approved. The vote was 6 yes—0 no—1 recusal (Mr. Preis recused himself). The vote to approve the consent agenda as presented, with the exception of the Central Missouri Community Action BRIDGE program memorandum of understanding, was 7 yes—0 no.

(Copies of consent agenda documents are attached and made a part of the minutes.)

Special Recognition

Isabella Sullivan and Nicholas Sheaffer, Future Problem Solvers International Writing Competition Winners

Special recognition was given to Smithton Middle School eighth grader Isabella Sullivan and Oakland Middle School eighth grader Nicholas Sheaffer for their achievements in the Future Problem Solving Program International's recent writing competition.

Rex Beltz and Melanie Knocke, Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors

Special recognition was given to Rock Bridge High School science teacher Rex Beltz and Rock Bridge High School planetarium

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supervisor Melanie Knocke for their selection as NASA Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors.

Columbia Public Schools, District of Distinction

Columbia Public Schools has been designated as a District of Distinction by *District Administration* magazine for practices that yield quantifiable benefits, which can be replicated by peers in other districts.

Public Comment

A public comment was received from the following individual:

- Miguel Horn, 1702 Perkins Drive

Board President's Report

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

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

Superintendent's Report

Report on Student Transitions

Ben Tilley, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; Mary Rook, preschool director; Marissa Sherbo, kindergarten teacher and leader of Kindergarten Academy; Whitney Adams and Cara Johnson, fifth grade teachers and leaders of Fifth Grade Academy; Amanda Toepke, active participant in Fifth Grade Academy; and Betsy Jones, director of secondary guidance, presented a report on district support for student transitions—into kindergarten, into sixth grade, and into ninth grade and beyond.

Financial Update

Dr. Stiepleman presented information on revenue assumptions. Highlights included revenue projections for 2015-16; histories of assessed valuation, new construction, Proposition C revenue; and a summary of projected revenue and expenses for 2016-17. There is an annual need in revenue with no new buildings or programs of \$3,600,437.

Unfinished Business

Consideration of Policy for Second Read and/or Approval

It was moved by Mr. Sessions that policy FEF, "Construction Contracts Bidding and Awards," be approved as presented. After discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no. (A copy of the policy is attached and made a part of the minutes.)

New Business

Consideration of Resolution Authorizing the Offering for Sale of General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds and Engagement of Financial Advisor and Legal Counsel for Bond Sale

It was moved by Mr. Sessions that a resolution authorizing the offering for sale of the district's general obligation refunding and improvement bonds to refund a portion of the district's outstanding bonds and to pay capital expenditures, and confirming the engagement of certain professionals in connection therewith, be approved. The April sale of approximately \$36,580,000 would consist of \$35,000,000 in general obligation bonds from the April 2014 voter authorization and approximately \$1,700,000 of Series 2009 in refunding and improvement bonds. Net proceeds from this bond sale will be used to construct the east elementary school and a Rock Bridge High School stadium project, as well as to continue and begin other projects, including, but not limited to, roof replacements and improvements and technology. The sale will be brought to the Board for action in April. After discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no. (A copy of the resolution is attached and made a part of the minutes.)

Consideration of Policy for First Read and/or Approval

It was moved by Ms. Mees that policy IM, "Evaluation of Instructional Programs," be approved as presented. After discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no. (A copy of the policy is attached and made a part of the minutes.)

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Consideration of Construction Contracts and Change Orders

It was moved by Ms. King that the construction contracts and change orders be approved as presented. Recent construction contracts and change orders were presented for the Board's consideration. After discussion, The vote was 7 yes—0 no. (A copy of the construction contracts and change orders is attached and made a part of the minutes.)

Announcements

President Whitt announced Ms. Wade will appear on KFRU on Tuesday, March 15, to review and discuss the March 14 Board of Education meeting.

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

Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Sessions that the Board of Education immediately adjourn to meet in executive session at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, for the purpose of considering personnel issues and issues regarding negotiations with employee groups as authorized by the provisions of Section 610.021(1)(9)(10)(13) of the Missouri statutes. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ms. King voted	Yes
Ms. Mees voted	Yes
Mr. Sessions voted	Yes
Ms. Wade voted	Yes
Mr. Cushing voted	Yes
Mr. Preis voted	Yes
President Whitt voted	Yes

There was no further business to come before the Board, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

President

Attest: _____
Secretary