The Board of Education of the School District of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri, met in special session at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, at the hour of 7:30 a.m., Central Standard Time, Thursday, the 24th day of January, 2013. Those in attendance were as follows:

President Dr. Tom Rose  
Vice President Christine King  
Member Jan Mees  
Member Darin Preis  
Member Jonathan Sessions  
Member Helen Wade  
Superintendent Dr. Chris Belcher  
Deputy Superintendent and Secretary Dr. Nick Boren  
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Linda Quinley

Absent: Member James Whitt

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by President Rose at 7:30 a.m.

Consideration of Agenda
The first matter of business was consideration of approval of the agenda for the January 24, 2013, meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Ms. Mees that the agenda be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 6 yes—0 no—1 absent.

(At this point in the meeting, 7:32 a.m., Mr. Whitt arrived.)

Equal Opportunity Schools/AVID Update
Dr. Jolene Yoakum, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education, presented an overview of the Equal Opportunity Schools and AVID programs in the district. Both programs strive to prepare students for college and career success.

Three-tier Transportation Discussion
Dr. Boren presented several scenarios for a three-tier student transportation system. Board members discussed the merits of each scenario, and agreed that discussion of this issue will continue at the Board’s regular meeting on February 11, 2013.

(At this point in the meeting, 8:40 a.m., it was necessary for Ms. Wade to leave the meeting.)

Consideration of 2013-14 Budget Parameters
Ms. Quinley presented recommendations for parameters for the 2013-14 school year budget, as follows:

1. The Board of Education will consider program and departmental budget adjustments as necessary to promote student achievement.
2. The budget will include adequate funds to open and operate Battle High School and complete the secondary reorganization process.
3. Operating efficiencies will continue to be reviewed and considered throughout the budget process.
4. The Board of Education will consider salary improvements for all employee groups through the budget and negotiation processes.
5. The Board of Education will consider employee benefit programs for eligible employees through the budget and negotiation processes.
6. Appropriate fund balances will be maintained through reasonable budget considerations and controlled deficit spending ensuring financial integrity. A minimum fund balance of 16% will be used for current and future planning years.

It was moved by Mr. Sessions that the 2013-14 budget parameters be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Preis. After discussion, the vote was 6 yes—0 no—1 absent.
Elementary Site Selection/School Boundary Discussion

Dr. Peter Stiepleman, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, presented information on elementary school attendance area boundaries. He noted that members of the Long-range Facilities Planning Committee will visit three potential elementary school sites on Saturday, January 26, which are all located in the southwestern portion of Columbia; he also discussed the adjustments that will need to be made to elementary school attendance areas once this new elementary school opens in 2016. The consensus of the Board was that site surveys be done on all three potential sites if the committee determines, after the January 26 site visits, that all three are still desirable; and that care be taken not to cause overcrowding at Mill Creek Elementary School.

Adjournment

It was moved by Ms. King that the Board of Education adjourn to meet at 5:30 p.m. in executive session on Tuesday, January 29, 2013, at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, for the purpose of discussing pupil personnel issues and issues regarding negotiations with employee groups as authorized by the provisions of Section 610.021(6)(9)(14) of the Missouri statutes. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The roll call vote was as follows:

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There was no further business to come before the Board, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:14 a.m.