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The Board of Education of the School District of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri, met in regular session at West Junior High School, 401 Clinkscapes Road, at the hour of 6:30 p.m., Central Daylight Time, Monday, the 9th day of April, 2012.

First Session

Those in attendance were as follows:

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

Absent: None

Second Session

Those in attendance were as follows:

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

Absent: None

First Session

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Rose at 6:30 p.m.

The first matter of business was consideration of the agenda for the April 9, 2012, meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Ms. King that the agenda be approved. The second was by Ms. Mees. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Consideration of April 3, 2012, Election Results

The next order of business was the consideration of results of the election of members to the Board of Education held April 3, 2012. President Rose presented the following unofficial results of the April 3 election:

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Election of Directors

To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education each to serve for a term of three (3) years.

Christine King	9,041
Rex Cone	3,856
Paul S. Cushing	4,513
Melvin G. Blase	3,933

QUESTION 1

Shall The School District of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri, be authorized to increase the operating tax levy by forty cents (\$0.40) per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation for the purpose of maintaining current programs and staffing, due to decreased state and federal funding? If this proposition is approved, the adjusted operating levy of the school district is estimated to be \$4.4793 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation.

Yes	8,011
No	6,199

QUESTION 2

Shall The School District of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri, issue its general obligation bonds in the amount of Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000) for the purpose of acquiring and developing sites for school buildings and acquiring, constructing, improving, extending, repairing, remodeling, renovating, furnishing and equipping new and existing school facilities, including, without limitation, acquiring and developing sites for and constructing new elementary schools, renovating and constructing additions to existing buildings, roof replacement, and transportation facility site improvements? If this proposition is approved, the debt service levy of the school district is estimated to increase by approximately 12 cents, from \$0.8019 to \$0.9219, per \$100 of assessed valuation of real and personal property.

Yes	8,660
No	5,525

It was then moved by Ms. Mees that the election results be accepted, and that Christine King and Paul Cushing be presented with certificates of election acknowledging their election as members of the Columbia Board of Education for a term of three years each. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

President Rose presented a plaque to Ms. Pruitt in recognition and appreciation of her years of service as a member of the Board of Education.

There was no other business to come before the Board at the first session, and President Rose declared that the session was adjourned *sine die*.

Second Session

The second session of the April 9, 2012, meeting of the Columbia Board of Education was called to order by Board Secretary Dr. Nick Boren.

Oath of Office to Recently Elected Board of Education Members

Presentation of the Certificates of Election

Dr. Boren administered the oath of office to Christine King and Paul Cushing, and presented each of them with a certificate of election.

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Organization of the Board of Education

Election of the President

Dr. Boren then requested nominations for the position of President of the Columbia Board of Education for a term of one year. Ms. King moved that Tom Rose be nominated for the position of President for a term of one year. The second was by Mr. Sessions. There were no other nominations. Dr. Boren called for the vote to elect Tom Rose as President of the Board of Education. The vote was 7 yes—0 no, and Dr. Rose was declared unanimously elected by acclamation.

Presentation of the Gavel to the President

Dr. Boren then presented the gavel to President Rose, and President Rose began to conduct the meeting.

Election of the Vice President

President Rose then called for nominations for the position of Vice President of the Columbia Board of Education for a term of one year. It was moved by Mr. Sessions that Christine King be nominated for the position of Vice President. The second was by Ms. Wade. There were no other nominations. President Rose called for the vote to elect Christine King as Vice President of the Board of Education. The vote was 7 yes—0 no, and Ms. King was declared unanimously elected by acclamation.

Consent Agenda

The next matter of business was the consideration of the approval of consent agenda items: approval of the minutes of the regular and special meetings of the Board of Education held on March 12, 2012; approval of the minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Education held on March 22, 2012; 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 March in the amount of \$119.64 million, cash receipts of \$14.36 million, cash disbursements of \$36.57 million, and an ending balance of \$97.43 million. The \$97.43 million was invested in government securities in the amount of \$85.04 million and daily investment accounts in the amount of \$12.39 million. The average interest rate for all investments was 0.18%.

The Board of Education had previously been provided a detailed report of bills and expenditures for the month of March 2012. The report totaled 242 pages. The following is a listing and summary of the bills as provided to the Board of Education:

General Ledger Accounts	\$3,888,578.89	Middle/Junior High Speech	375.94
Elementary Instruction	42,771.44	Middle/Junior High Journalism	699.45
Elementary Health	3,827.73	Senior High Instruction	21,427.21
Elementary Music	2,620.89	Senior High Science	2,625.61
Elementary Art	9,173.15	Senior High Math	2,481.83
Elementary Science	817.43	Senior High Language Arts	400.34
Elementary Math	519.51	Senior High Social Studies	929.76
Elementary Physical Education	558.01	Senior High Foreign Language	1,924.24
Elementary Language Arts	7,405.39	Senior High Music	4,299.41
Middle/Junior High Instruction	10,522.57	Senior High Art	4,135.30
Middle/Junior High Science	3,756.84	Senior High Business Ed.	4,408.91
Middle/Junior High Math	3,068.34	Senior High Family Cons. Sci.	971.75
Middle/Junior High Language Arts	1,488.26	Senior High Industrial Tech.	1,954.26
Middle/Junior High Social Studies	6,878.28	Senior High Physical Ed.	674.55
Middle/Junior High Reading	582.89	Senior High Speech and Drama	430.27
Middle/Junior High Foreign Language	347.53	Senior High Journalism	591.28
Middle/Junior High Music	655.39	Senior High Humanities	17.96
Middle/Junior High Art	6,696.67	Secondary Summer School	66,782.28
Middle/Junior High Business	1,140.24	Douglass High School	1,638.24
Middle/Junior High Family Cons. Sci.	2,377.86	Special Ed.—All Programs	11,768.82
Middle/Junior High Ind. Tech.	2,682.12	Gifted Program	2,309.88
Middle/Junior High Physical Ed.	1,162.95	Title 1	1,344.76

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English—Second Language	10,980.24	Curriculum Development	138.17
Early Childhood Spec. Educ.	2,057.14	Staff In-service Training	44,000.24
Voc.—All Programs	5,836.54	Library	28,231.03
Voc. Agriculture	32,988.23	Instructional and Info. Tech. Svcs.	1,014.89
Voc. Welding	2,408.50	Board of Education	91,193.96
Voc. Business Education	455.85	District Administration	14,242.38
Voc. Computer Education	451.63	Office of the Principal	7,999.74
Voc. Occ. Culinary Arts	3,586.99	Administration—Special Ed.	812.03
Voc. Trade and Industrial Ed.	14,416.44	Commencement	2,758.30
Voc. Electronics	1,959.66	Administration—Vocational	1,423.53
Voc. Health Occupations	31.74	Business Services	9,642.61
Voc. Auto Mechanics	1,021.75	Maintenance Services	291,264.70
Voc. Marketing and Coop. Ed.	853.93	Security Services	25,048.45
Voc. Drafting and Design	525.93	Transportation—District	359.57
Voc. Broadcast Journalism	6,980.49	Transportation—Contract	1,210,841.94
Voc. Eval. Lab	986.50	Handicapped Pupil Trans.	378,304.69
Voc. Geospatial Information Sys.	547.20	ECSE Transportation	69,306.55
Voc. Teaching Professions	127.96	Food Services Program	401,208.68
Voc. Photonics	94.06	Research, Assessment, and Accountability	154.78
Voc. Safety and Security	384.88	Information Services	53,871.27
Extracurricular Activities	110,774.27	Employee Benefits	54,952.70
Athletics	32,944.21	Title I Early Childhood	2,688.42
Adult Basic Education	1,715.35	Community Relations/PIE	7,330.38
Adult Business Education	8,906.62	Parents As Teachers	2,935.61
Adult Vocational Trades	1,613.00	Early Childhood	17,893.49
Health Occupations	40,793.34	Family/Student Services	84.73
Enrichment	5,847.51	Revolving Accounts	1,592.91
Financial Aid Office	1,022.18	Parent Involvement	10,937.96
Supplemental Ed. Service	841.33	2007 Bonds Issued 11/09	41.35
Counseling and Guidance	4,130.26	2011 Bonds Issued 05/11	2,353,144.00
Assessment Services	93.50	Capital Projects—Tax	1,001,133.75
Home School Visitor	1,190.00	Debt Services	1,515.26
Pupil Health Services	876.44		
Ancillary Services	24,548.37	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$10,541,760.15
Staff Coordination	3,875.61		

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:

Bid	Recommendation
Art supplies (district-wide)	Award to low bidders meeting specifications, as follows: Pyramid School Products, Tampa, FL \$14,842.75 School Specialty, Mount Joy, PA 12,552.53 Commercial Art Supply, Syracuse, NY 832.71 Standard Stationery Supply, Wheeling, IL 613.59 The Educational Outback, Fairbanks, AK 401.52 Quill, Lincolnshire, IL 359.60 S&S Worldwide, Colchester, CT 102.04
Authorization to purchase Yamaha Music-In-Education keyboard lab (Rock Bridge High School)	Purchase from Yamaha Corporation of America, Buena Park, CA, in the amount of \$22,995.00
Pitt trash bags (Nutrition Services and Facilities and Construction Services)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Industrial Soap Company, St. Louis, MO, in the amount of \$91,188.00

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Bid	Recommendation
Moving existing furniture (from Bernadette and Vandiver buildings to Administration Building)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, My Father's Freight Co., Boonville, MO, \$17,000.00
Window treatments (Administration Building)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Pioneer Window Works, Columbia, MO, in the amount of \$20,412.00
Smart boards (Administration Building)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Kansas City Audio Visual, Kansas City, MO, in the amount of \$16,764.00
Consulting services for e-mail migration project (Instructional and Information Technology Services)	Purchase from Messaging Architects, Montreal, Canada, in the amount of \$83,000.00
Authorization to contract for Microsoft consulting services (Instructional and Information Technology Services)	Purchase from Microsoft Corporation, Austin, TX, in the amount of \$37,434.00, using a State of Missouri contract
Permanent record scanning and storage solution (district-wide)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Harvest Technology Group, Inc., Alpharetta, GA, in the amount of \$29,950.00
Low voltage wire installation and access points (Hickman, Rock Bridge, and Douglass high schools)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Steel-Nett, Ashland, MO, in the amount of \$20,520.00
Notification of expenditure—Roof replacement (Field School, Section E)	Purchased from low bidder meeting specifications, Weathercraft, Inc., Jefferson City, in the amount of \$32,955.00
Notification of expenditure—Tuckpointing (Field School)	Purchased from Mid-Continental Restoration, Inc., Fort Scott, KS, in the amount of \$17,637.00
Notification of expenditure—Authorization to rent generator (Instructional and Information Technology Services)	Purchased from Coastal Electric, Columbia, MO, in the amount of \$19,600.00
Notification of expenditure—Authorization to purchase Spherically access licenses (Instructional and Information Technology Services)	Purchased from NEC Corporation of America, Fairfield, OH, in the amount of \$17,193.60
Notification of expenditure—Authorization to purchase Symmetra battery and line terminations (Instructional and Information Technology Services)	Purchased from D&B Power, St. Charles, IL, in the amount of \$58,067.00
Notification of expenditure—Authorization to purchase storage area network (Instructional and Information Technology Services)	Purchased from Hewlett-Packard Co., Omaha, NE, in the amount of \$194,501.04

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.

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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 was an extension to the contract for pupil transportation services between Columbia Public Schools and First Student, Inc.

It was moved by Ms. Mees that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Sessions. After discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Special Recognition

Rock Bridge High School Girls' Basketball Team

The Rock Bridge High School girls' basketball team was recognized for its recent state championship win. The team's coach, Jill Nagel, was named the District 9 Coach of the Year and the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association State Coach of the Year.

Hickman Review

The staff of the *Hickman Review* was recognized for the magazine's recent ranking as the best literary arts magazine in the state of Missouri by the National Council of Teachers of English.

Public Comment

No public comments were offered.

Board President's Report

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

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

Board Member Appointments to Committees

President Rose appointed Mr. Whitt to serve on the City of Columbia's Enhanced Enterprise Zone Advisory Board. Other appointments of Board members to Board committees and other district-wide committees will take place at the Board's work session on April 19, 2012.

Superintendent's Report

Project Lead the Way

Linda Rawlings, director of the Columbia Area Career Center, presented a report about Project Lead the Way, a curriculum in engineering and biomedical sciences for middle-level schools and high schools which will be implemented in the Columbia School District beginning in the 2013-14 school year.

Financial Update

Dr. Belcher and Ms. Quinley presented a report on projected 2011-12 revenues, 2012-13 revenue assumptions, and budget considerations, with consideration of their impact on the five-year projection model. Increases for 2012-13 include:

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Description	FTE	Costs
Fixed costs (including transportation, utilities, insurance)		\$394,500
Salaries and benefits	32.55	\$2,987,003
Contingency	7.00	\$430,500
Services and supplies		\$2,781,725
Battle High School operating budget	18.00	\$984,619
Secondary reorganization		\$407,450
Total	57.55	\$7,985,797

Dr. Belcher noted the five-year budget projections indicate the district will have a surplus balance in 2012-13 of approximately \$250,000. Ms. Quinley reviewed the projections, indicating that the district will begin deficit spending when Battle High School opens in 2013, but that this can comfortably be done for at least the next two years. Board members then discussed the budget. Ms. Quinley said a draft of the 2012-13 budget will be presented at the Board's regular meeting on May 14, 2012.

Montessori Preschool at Grant Elementary School

Dr. Peter Stiepleman, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, presented a report regarding a partnership between Columbia Public Schools, Rollins Reading, the Columbia Housing Authority, First Chance for Children, and Columbia Community Montessori, which have come together to create a public/private preschool partnership that will be housed at Grant Elementary School. The 20 students selected to participate in the program will be made up of tuition-paying students and scholarship students from the Housing Authority. All of these students must reside in the Grant neighborhood, because the goal is to create a seamless transition to kindergarten for all children who will eventually attend Grant.

Fun City Summer School Update

Dr. Sally Beth Lyon, Chief Academic Officer, presented an update about the district's partnership to support Fun City summer programs this summer. The district will partner with the Fun City Youth Academy for this program, housed at Douglass High School, in a way that will allow the integration of the district's summer curriculum for math, science, social studies, and reading.

New Business

Consideration of Designation of Ridgeway Elementary School as a Small Autonomous School

Dr. Stiepleman requested, on behalf of the Ridgeway community (parents, teachers, and community members), that the Board authorize a five-year grant for Ridgeway Elementary School to begin operating as a small autonomous school. The school would adhere to all Board policies and would be required to make an annual presentation to the Board. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Sessions that the grant be authorized as requested, including the requirement that the Board of Education receive an annual update. The second was by Ms. King. After additional discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Consideration of 2012-13 Salary Schedules

Dr. Dana Clippard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, presented recommendations for new salary schedules and appropriate work calendars per assignment, on behalf of the Board of Education Finance Committee. The committee's recommendations for 2012-13 were:

- Adopt salary schedules for the following hourly personnel: Custodial Services, Paraprofessionals, and Nutrition Services
- Adopt a salary schedule for curriculum coordinators
- Operate all salary schedules for 2012-13, and for employees not on a salary schedule, provide an increase equivalent to the average teacher salary increase of 1.81%
- Change placement of media clerks on the Hourly Support Staff Schedule
- Adjust professional, exempt salaries for local market
- Allow advancement for educational credit and change submission deadline to October 15
- Authorize work calendars (no changes)

The approximate cost to the Operating Fund for these recommendations is \$3,268,815.

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It was moved by Ms. King that the salary schedules and work calendars for 2012-13 be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Whitt. After discussion and a public comment from Jeff Hempstead, 211 Orleans Street, the vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Consideration of Policies

The Board of Education Policy Committee has met and reviewed several policy updates and recommendations from the Policy Services division of the Missouri School Boards Association (MSBA). Dr. Belcher presented these revised policies:

- AC, "Prohibition Against Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation"
- GBEC, "Criminal Background Checks"
- GCPD, "Suspension of Professional Staff Members"

It was moved by Ms. Mees that the revised policies be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Whitt. After discussion, the vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Consideration of 2011-12 Budget Amendments

Ms. Quinley presented several proposed amendments to the 2011-12 budget. It was moved by Ms. King that the amendments be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Announcements

President Rose announced Ms. Wade will appear on KFRU on Tuesday, April 10, to review and discuss the April 9 Board of Education meeting.

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

Adjournment

It was moved by Ms. King that the Board of Education immediately adjourn to meet in executive session at West Junior High School, 401 Clinkscales Road, for the purpose of considering pupil personnel issues as authorized by the provisions of Section 610.021(6)(14) of the Missouri statutes. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The roll call vote was as follows:

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

There was no further business to come before the Board, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:54 p.m.