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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 8th day of October, 2012 Those in attendance were as follows:

President Dr. Tom Rose  
Vice President Christine King  
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

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Rose at 6:31 p.m.

The first matter of business was consideration of the agenda for the October 8, 2012 meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Ms. King that the agenda be approved. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 6 yes—0 no.

## Consent Agenda

The Board considered approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on September 10, 2012; the special session of the Board of Education held on September 20, 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 September in the amount of \$87.87 million, cash receipts of \$7.58 million, cash disbursements of \$18.88 million, and an ending balance of \$76.57 million. The \$76.57 million was invested in government securities in the amount of \$65.80 million and daily investment accounts in the amount of \$10.77 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 September 2012. The report totaled 265 pages. The following is a listing and summary of the bills as provided to the Board of Education:

General Ledger Accounts	\$3,936,428.77	Middle/Junior High Family and Cons. Sci.	2,554.15
Elementary Instruction	78,957.93	Middle/Junior High Ind. Tech.	9,144.00
Elementary Health	366.65	Middle/Junior High Physical Education	67.67
Elementary Music	1,766.61	Middle/Junior High Speech	814.73
Elementary Art	1,879.94	Senior High Instruction	39,734.65
Elementary Science	2,394.72	Senior High Science	21,496.48
Elementary Math	5,107.59	Senior High Math	-1,791.83
Elementary Social Studies	523.90	Senior High Language Arts	1,079.27
Elementary Physical Education	4,570.54	Senior High Social Studies	229.22
Elementary Language Arts	7,622.72	Senior High Foreign Language	30,534.41
Middle/Junior High Instruction	28,566.60	Senior High Music	5,917.04
Middle/Junior High Science	2,727.49	Senior High Art	2,957.01
Middle/Junior High Math	7,502.50	Senior High Business Education	9,118.84
Middle/Junior High Language Arts	5,787.20	Senior High Family and Cons. Sci.	3,586.07
Middle/Junior High Social Studies	1,033.97	Senior High Industrial Tech.	994.76
Middle/Junior High Foreign Language	549.36	Senior High Physical Education	2,181.50
Middle/Junior High Music	6,730.75	Senior High Speech and Drama	70.00
Middle/Junior High Art	447.32	Senior High Planetarium	452.17
Middle/Junior High Business	948.29	Senior High Humanities	9.78

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Secondary Summer School	121.62	Counseling/Guidance	10,454.23
Douglass High School	3,613.21	Pupil Health Services	1,502.13
Suspension Center	1,048.15	Ancillary Services	22,908.05
Special Ed.—All Programs	23,954.40	Staff Coordination	2,449.51
Gifted Program	6,044.93	Library	8,720.72
Title I	2,350.40	Instructional and Info. Tech. Svcs.	284,286.52
English—Second Language	1,723.34	Board of Education	6,279.00
Early Childhood Special Ed.	5,729.92	District Administration	18,144.32
Voc.—All Programs	19,661.64	Office of the Principal	23,829.65
Voc. Agriculture	4,923.36	Administration—Special Ed.	515.68
Voc. Welding	712.54	Administration—Vocational	3,197.62
Voc. Business Ed.	99,460.32	Business Services	7,130.22
Voc. Family and Cons. Sci.	2,133.62	Maintenance Services	697,039.17
Voc. Computer Ed.	5,519.85	Security Services	11,077.68
Voc. Health Sciences	17,691.16	Transportation—District	637.75
Voc. Occ. Culinary Arts	6,605.49	Transportation—Contract	141,505.78
Voc. Trade and Industrial Ed.	5,224.44	Food Services Program	442,748.12
Voc. Electronics	3,822.91	Information Services	29,908.92
Voc. Auto Mechanics	1,142.95	Employee Benefits	152,943.07
Voc. Marketing and Coop. Ed.	9,998.76	Title I Early Childhood	2,341.99
Voc. Engineering	2,959.14	Community Relations/PIE	7,908.75
Voc. Broadcast Journalism	399.21	Parents As Teachers	1,876.25
Voc. Programming	19.25	Offset Printing	11,716.90
Voc. Geospatial Information Systems	243.62	Early Childhood	3,101.40
Voc. Teaching Professions	108.26	Summer School	1,108.55
Voc. Photonics	631.60	Infant/Toddler Day Care	2,933.20
Voc. Safety and Security	2,248.00	Revolving Accounts	7,162.98
Project Lead the Way	6,506.02	Parent Involvement	1,789.24
Extracurricular Activities	120,502.42	2007 Bonds Issued 11/09	12,532.23
Athletics	44,501.02	2011 Bonds Issued 05/11	1,217,999.01
Student Competitions	4,500.00	2010 Bonds Issued 04/12	1,988,610.90
Adult Basic Education	2,244.42	Capital Projects—Tax	367,33.991
Adult Business Education	6,993.34		
Adult Vocational Trades	2,871.15		
Health Occupations	12,540.71		
Enrichment	1,947.77		
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$10,173,084.71</b>

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
Audiovisual equipment (Columbia Area Career Center)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, B&H Photo, New York, NY, in the amount of \$27,792.35
Authorization to renew insurance coverage for the 2012-13 school year	Award as follows:  State Farm Insurance (auto damage and liability) . . . . . \$40,678.00 Naught Naught Agency (property, general liability, commercial umbrella) . . . 511,208.00 The Insurance Group (professional liability/errors and omissions) . . . . . 84,349.00
Authorization to renew Novell license for the 2012-13 school year	Renew contract with Novell, Inc., Provo, UT, in the amount of \$37,908.00

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Bid	Recommendation
Authorization to purchase new vehicle for district security officer	Purchase through Missouri Department of Transportation contract from West Brothers, Sullivan, MO, in the amount of \$19,293.00
Authorization to purchase vehicles for custodial area supervisors	Purchase through Missouri Department of Transportation contract from Joe Machens Ford, Columbia, in the amount of \$52,632.00 (3 vehicles at \$17,544.00 each)
Emergency plumbing service work for the 2012-13 school year	Award as follows, at the following hourly rates (with an estimated total expenditure of \$5,000):  Officer Mechanical Contractors, Columbia, MO . . . \$67.45 Air Masters Corporation, Columbia, MO . . . . . 82.00 J. Louis Crum Corporation, Columbia, MO . . . . . 85.00
Emergency boiler service work for the 2012-13 school year	Award as follows, at the following hourly rates (with an estimated total expenditure of \$10,000):  Air Masters Corporation, Columbia, MO . . . . . \$82.00 J. Louis Crum Corporation, Columbia, MO . . . . . 85.00 Air Systems LLC, Columbia, MO . . . . . 85.00
Emergency HVAC service work for the 2012-13 school year	Award as follows, at the following hourly rates (with an estimated total expenditure of \$5,000):  Officer Mechanical Contractors, Columbia, MO . . . \$67.45 Air Masters Corporation, Columbia, MO . . . . . 82.00 J. Louis Crum Corporation, Columbia, MO . . . . . 85.00 Air Systems LLC, Columbia, MO . . . . . 85.00
Emergency electrical work for the 2012-13 school year	Award to Coastal Electric, Columbia, MO, at an hourly rate of \$64.00 (with an estimated total expenditure of \$37,000)
Tuckpointing service work for the 2012-13 school year	Award as follows, at the following hourly rates (with an estimated total expenditure of \$50,000):  <u>Mid-Continental Restoration Co., Inc., Fort Scott, KS</u> Mason,\$47.45; Laborer, \$35.81; Carpenter, \$41.63  <u>Atkins Weatherproofing, Springfield, MO</u> Mason,\$74.00; Laborer,\$62.00; Carpenter, \$66.00  <u>James G. Staat Tuckpointing Inc., St. Louis, MO</u> Mason, \$75.97; Laborer, \$64.84; Carpenter, \$69.78  <u>MTS Contracting Inc., North Knsas City, MO</u> Mason, \$83.00; Laborer, \$67.00; Carpenter, \$73.00
Authorization to renew contract for chiller maintenance and repair for the 2012-13 school year	Renew contract with Air Masters, Columbia, MO, in the amount of \$17,857.00
Backflow preventer inspection and repair (Facilities and Construction Services)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Air Masters, Columbia, MO, in the amount of \$15,750.00

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Snow and ice removal services (district-wide)	Award as follows (one or all of the vendors will be contacted depending on weather conditions):  Samuel Excavating, Columbia, MO Nehemiah Construction, Columbia, MO Columbia Turf, Columbia, MO
Authorization to purchase weight room equipment and flooring (Battle High School)	Purchase through National Joint Powers Alliance from Advanced Exercise Equipment, Littleton, CO, in the amount of \$148,838.35
Miscellaneous IT equipment (Battle High School)	Award to low bidders meeting expectations, as follows:  Southern Computer Warehouse, Marietta, GA   \$9,832.24 Provision Data Solutions, Chesterfield, MO . . 161,596.30 SMC Electric, Sedalia, MO . . . . . 5,643.13
Culinary food service equipment (Battle High School)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Stafford-Smith Inc., Kalamazoo, MI, in the amount of \$370,709.00
Notification of expenditure: Authorization to purchase projectors (Battle High School)	Purchased from low bidder meeting specifications, Kansas City Audio-Visual, Inc., Kansas City, MO, in the amount of \$87,191.00
Notification of expenditure: Authorization to purchase SMART boards (Battle High School)	Purchased from low bidder meeting specifications, W. Schiller & Co., St. Louis, MO, in the amount of \$147,522.00
Authorization to purchase phone hubs (Battle High School)	Purchase from Sphere Communications, Lincolnshire, IL, in the amount of \$90,000.00

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:

- Contract with Automatic Controls, St. Louis, Missouri, for automatic logic controls at several schools
- Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement between Columbia Public Schools and DLR Group Inc. for HVAC projects at several schools
- Lease agreement for space at 1907 N. Providence Road for Hickman High School wrestling program
- Lease agreement for Park Avenue preschool facility
- Contract with ReMax Boone Realty, John John, for real estate services
- Contract with RnB Learning, LLC, for 2013 summer school program
- Preliminary student transportation routes

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- Fairview Elementary School sidewalk easements

It was moved by Ms. King that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 6 yes—0 no.

## Public Comment

Public comments were received from the following individuals:

- Dr. Jolene Yoakum, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education
- Mary Hussmann, 5306 Rice Road
- Linda Green, 206 Anderson Avenue

## Board President's Report

### Report 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.

### Scholastic Crime Stoppers Report

John White, Director of Safety and Security, presented a report on the Scholastic Crime Stoppers program in the district. The program, which partners with Boone County Crime Stoppers, provides an outlet for students to make anonymous reports on issues at school ranging from bullying to major criminal activity.

### World Café Update

Dr. Belcher and Ms. King reminded Board members of the World Café on student transportation which will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10, at Stoney Creek Inn. Topics will include a three-tier bell system and school start times.

### Tobacco Tax Resolution

Dr. Rose and Ms. Mees presented information about a tobacco tax increase that is being proposed by the state of Missouri and will be on the November 6, 2012, ballot. If approved by voters, it would provide health benefits to students, such as smoking cessation programs, and might also mean additional revenue to Missouri public schools. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Sessions that this item be placed on the agenda as item 7a under New Business, "Consideration of Resolution in Support of Tobacco Tax Increase." The second was by Ms. Mees. The vote was 6 yes—0 no.

## Superintendent's Report

### Report on Contracted Custodial Services

Dr. Boren reported on recent discussions regarding a one-year pilot program of contracted custodial services for Battle High School. A committee consisting of Greg Cooper, Dana Reynolds, Linda Quinley, Dr. Dana Clippard, Charles Oestreich, Norris McKinzie, Dr. Kim Presko, Dr. Rose, and Dr. Boren reviewed a number of proposals and interviewed three firms. The committee decided to continue conversations with one of the interviewed firms, GCA Education Services of Knoxville, Tennessee. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that district representatives pursue these conversations and bring more information to the Board.

### Comprehensive School Improvement Plan Report—Student Performance

Dr. Sally Beth Lyon, Chief Academic Officer; Dr. Peter Stiepleman, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; and Dr. Jolene Yoakum, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education, provided a review of student performance data that measure current results for objectives in the district's Comprehensive School Improvement Plan in the area of student performance, as well as information regarding the district's strategies and actions to address opportunities and areas for improvement.

### Report on Elementary School Enrollment/Boundary Planning

Dr. Stiepleman presented a report on elementary school enrollment and boundary planning. He and Dr. Belcher recently met with parents from Paxton Keeley, Russell Boulevard, Fairview, Midway Heights, Rock Bridge, Grant, and Mill Creek elementary

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schools to discuss scenarios by which attendance area boundary lines might be adjusted to alleviate overcrowding at Mill Creek. Board members expressed reluctance to change attendance area boundaries, knowing a new elementary school will open in 2015 and boundaries will need to be adjusted again at that time. Dr. Belcher said more information will be brought to the Board on this issue.

## 2015 Elementary School Design Update

An update on the design of the district's elementary school scheduled to open in 2015 was presented by Chris Davis of Peckham & Wright Architects, Inc. along with Kenny Southall and Michael Kautz of ACI/Frangkiser Hutchens. The prototype design for a 400-student school may be used for future elementary schools to be constructed in the district beyond the one that will open in 2015.

At this point in the meeting (8:45 p.m.), a recess was declared. At 8:51 p.m., the Board reconvened and began to consider further agenda items.

## New Business

### Consideration of Resolution in Support of Tobacco Tax Increase

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Sessions that the Board of Education support a resolution, as formulated by the Missouri School Boards Association, for an increase in the tobacco tax. The second was by Ms. Wade. After discussion, the vote was 5 yes—1 no (Dr. Rose voted no).

### Consideration of Substitute Teacher Plan

Dr. Dana Clippard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, presented a plan for substitute teachers in the district. Due to the increasing need for substitute teachers and the district's increasing inability to fill substitute requests, Dr. Clippard recommended the district contract with Kelly Educational Staffing for an 18-month trial period, ensuring the availability of quality substitute teachers on demand. After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Mees that the district contract with Kelly Educational Staffing for a period of 18 months. The second was by Mr. Sessions. After further discussion and public comments by Ryan Keller, 4104 Congo Circle, and Susan McClintic of Columbia Missouri National Education Association, the vote was 6 yes—0 no.

### Consideration of Policies

The Board of Education Policy Committee has met and reviewed a number of policy updates and recommendations from the Policy Services division of the Missouri School Boards Association (MSBA). Item A is a proposed revision to an existing policy. Item B should be rescinded, as it has already been merged into previously approved policy IGD, "District-Sponsored Extracurricular Activities and Groups." The policies in Group C are being presented for first reading at this meeting; they will be presented for second reading at the Board's regular meeting on November 12, 2012. Dr. Belcher recommended, on behalf of the Policy Committee and the administration, that the policies designated as Items A and B be approved at this time, and that the Group C policies be approved for first reading.

Item A	Group C
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• KK, Visitors to District Property/Events</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DA, Fiscal Responsibility</li><li>• DN, School Properties Disposal Procedure</li><li>• EI, Insurance Management</li><li>• EIA, Property and Liability Insurance</li><li>• IGBM, Autonomous Schools</li></ul>
Item B	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IGDJ, Interscholastic Athletics</li></ul>	

It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the policies designated as Items A and B be approved as presented, and that the policies in Group C be approved for first reading. The second was by Ms. Wade. After discussion, the vote was 6 yes—0 no.

### Consideration of Naming of Hickman High School Stadium

Bruce Whitesides, Director of Athletics, recommended on behalf of a committee which studied the issue that the newly remodeled stadium at Hickman High School be named "Alumni Stadium." After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Mees that the stadium be named as recommended. The second was by Mr. Whitt. The vote was 6 yes—0 no.

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## **Announcements**

President Rose announced Mr. Sessions will appear on KFRU on Tuesday, October 9, to review and discuss the October 8 Board of Education meeting.

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

## **Adjournment**

There was no further business to come before the Board, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:47 p.m.