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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 Standard Time, Monday, the 11th day of November, 2013. Those in attendance were as follows:

President Christine King  
Vice President James Whitt  
Member Jan Mees  
Member Darin Preis  
Member Dr. Tom Rose  
Member Jonathan Sessions  
Member Helen Wade  
Superintendent Dr. Chris Belcher  
Executive Director of Human Resources and Employment Law and Secretary Andrea Follett

Absent: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Linda Quinley

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President King at 6:30 p.m. Members of Cub Scout Troop 989, Mill Creek Elementary School, performed a color guard ceremony and all present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance in honor of Veterans Day.

The first matter of business was consideration of the agenda for the November 11, 2013, regular meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Ms. Mees that the agenda be approved. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

## Consent Agenda

The next matter of business was the consideration of the approval of consent agenda items: approval of the minutes of the special, executive, and regular sessions of the Board of Education held on October 14, 2013; the minutes of the special session of the Board of Education held on October 24, 2013; 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 October in the amount of \$54.00 million, cash receipts of \$8.35 million, cash disbursements of \$22.00 million, and an ending balance of \$40.35 million. The \$40.35 million was invested in government securities in the amount of \$31.60 million and daily investment accounts in the amount of \$8.75 million. The average interest rate for all investments was 0.24%.

The Board of Education had previously been provided a detailed report of bills and expenditures for the month of October 2013. The report totaled 409 pages. The following is a listing and summary of the bills as provided to the Board of Education:

General Ledger Accounts	\$4,200,129.20	Middle/Junior High Art	404.98
Elementary Instruction	304,016.63	Middle/Junior High Business	1,412.28
Elementary Health	478.78	Middle/Junior High Family and Cons. Sci.	5,032.68
Elementary Music	2,042.83	Middle/Junior High Ind. Tech.	5,165.55
Elementary Art	5,770.38	Middle/Junior High Speech	251.47
Elementary Science	8,353.85	Senior High Instruction	163,289.87
Elementary Math	1,446.00	Senior High Science	15,381.49
Elementary Physical Education	4,149.29	Senior High Math	3,281.49
Elementary Language Arts	33,928.67	Senior High Language Arts	6,083.51
Middle/Junior High Instruction	148,009.03	Senior High Social Studies	86,587.40
Middle/Junior High Science	17,436.26	Senior High Reading	39.90
Middle/Junior High Math	1,466.16	Senior High Foreign Language	3,993.25
Middle/Junior High Language Arts	1,985.29	Senior High Music	31,832.65
Middle/Junior High Social Studies	5,606.67	Senior High Art	5,383.32
Middle/Junior High Foreign Language	376.13	Senior High Business Education	976.67
Middle/Junior High Music	5,185.93	Senior High Family and Cons. Sci.	1,866.53

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Senior High Industrial Tech.	6,506.05	Assessment Services	1,370.25
Senior High Physical Education	3,257.06	Home School Visitor	273.65
Senior High Speech and Drama	985.67	Pupil Health Services	5,618.68
Senior High Journalism	3,141.69	Ancillary Services	6,118.19
Senior High Planetarium	30,399.04	Staff Coordination	4,540.67
Senior High Humanities	41.80	Curriculum Development	1,684.50
Secondary Summer School	4,122.99	Staff In-service Training	71,446.54
Alternate Instruction	23.63	Library	14,973.54
Douglass High School	8,148.96	Instructional and Info. Tech. Svcs.	107,449.27
Suspension Center	48.05	Board of Education	176,411.94
Special Ed.—All Programs	31,947.26	District Administration	28,949.15
Gifted Program	7,283.28	Office of the Principal	14,136.51
Title I	226,965.44	Administration—Special Ed.	670.02
Adjudicated Student	1,000.00	Administration—Vocational	2,829.65
English—Second Language	1,583.33	Business Services	4,063.00
Early Childhood Special Ed.	17,093.90	Maintenance Services	804,937.68
Voc.—All Programs	11,934.93	Security Services	18,050.67
Voc. Agriculture	8,076.12	Transportation—District	4,850.52
Voc. Welding	2,633.43	Transportation—Contract	1,094,352.39
Voc. Business Ed.	2,090.49	Handicapped Pupil Transportation	228,935.09
Voc. Family and Cons. Sci.	2,403.30	ECSE Transportation	48,033.42
Voc. Computer Ed.	20,427.58	Food Services Program	463,803.01
Voc. Health Sciences	1,564.50	Research, Assessment, and Accountability	966.44
Voc. Occ. Culinary Arts	9,154.37	Information Services	52,280.77
Voc. Trade and Industry	2,435.25	Employee Benefits	70,496.66
Voc. Electronics	1,597.84	Title I Early Childhood	3,246.97
Voc. Auto Mechanics	617.50	Community Relations/PIE	3,758.55
Voc. Marketing and Coop. Ed.	1,634.71	Parents As Teachers	1,630.79
Voc. Engineering	31,646.11	Offset Printing	16,955.44
Voc. Broadcast Journalism	8,292.03	Early Childhood	26,308.99
Voc. Geospatial Information Sys.	517.84	Family/Student Services	2,139.00
Voc. Teaching Professions	23.44	Summer School	2,834.46
Project Lead the Way	3,510.17	Infant/Toddler Day Care	67.36
Project Lead the Way—Biomedica	430.48	Revolving Accounts	5,621.32
Extracurricular Activities	210,798.72	Parent Involvement	5,158.17
Athletics	68,283.77	2010 Bonds Issued 05/11	86,048.45
Student Competitions	1,600.00	2010 Bonds Issued 04/12	670,393.25
Adult Basic Education	921.97	2010 Bonds Issued 05/13	202,291.62
Adult Business Education	541.49	2010 Bonds Issued 01/14	1,323,758.71
Adult Vocational Trades	2,580.63	Capital Projects—Tax	283,877.43
Health Occupations	6,792.37	Debt Services	2,279.00
Enrichment	6,127.48		
Financial Aid Office	12,884.45		
Payments to Other Districts	108,867.86	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$11,811,918.78</b>
Counseling/Guidance	6,065.94		

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
Tuckpointing (Jefferson Middle School)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Mid-Continental Restoration, Fort Scott, KS, in the amount of \$645,538.00

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Bid	Recommendation
Resurfacing of wood gymnasium floors in 2014-15 (all high schools and middle schools)	Award to Stalker Flooring, New London, WI, in the amount of \$31,600.00

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:

- City of Columbia Human Rights Commission grant to bring a Tibetan monk to Columbia to speak on the human rights crisis in Tibet
- Memorandum of understanding with Boys and Girls Clubs to provide learning space and opportunities for students at Alpha Hart Lewis Elementary School and the Alternative Center for Education

It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

## Special Recognition

### Linda Rawlings, Columbia Area Career Center Veterans Education Programs

Columbia Area Career Center director Linda Rawlings provided an overview of ways the Career Center is teaching and reaching out to military veterans.

### Columbia FFA Student Teams, First and Second in the Nation

Special recognition was given to two Columbia FFA teams for placing first and second at the recent National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. One team won the National FFA Environmental and Natural Resources Career Development Event, and the other placed second in the National FFA Poultry Evaluation Career Development Event.

### VFW Post 280

Dr. Belcher expressed appreciation to Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 280 in Columbia for supplying district schools with American flags.

## Public Comment

A public comment was received from the following individual:

- Jim Cherrington, 206 Devine Court

### 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, president of the Columbia Missouri State Teachers Association, presented reports from their respective organizations on recent and future activities.

#### Collective Bargaining Discussion

President King reviewed the history of district policies HA, "Negotiations with Employee Representatives," and HH, "Teacher Negotiating Representatives." She then led a discussion regarding upcoming collective bargaining meetings. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that these meetings be held in open session. Dr. Dana Clippard, Linda Quinley, and Andrea Follett will continue to comprise the district's bargaining team. Board members will review the collective bargaining parameters used in last year's negotiations and will vote on 2014 parameters at the Board's regular meeting on December 9, 2013. Discussion was also held regarding CMNEA's suggestion for federal mediation training; the consensus of the Board was that this process not be turned over to another entity.

#### April 2014 Bond Proposal Update

Ms. Mees provided an update of the Long-range Facilities Planning Committee's meeting on November 4, 2013. The four priorities of the committee are creation of new classroom space to sustain growth, equity of facilities, maintenance of existing facilities, and displacement of trailers with brick and mortar. The committee is recommending projects totaling \$41 million which address these goals:

1. East elementary school, \$28.6 million
2. Critical facility needs, \$5.5 million
3. Roofs, \$2.7 million
4. Technology, \$4 million
5. Bond fees, \$200,000

Since the April 2014 bond proposal will be in the amount of \$50 million, the Long-range Facilities Planning Committee will work on prioritizing the remaining projects needed in the district for which the remaining \$9 million of the bond would be used. The committee plans to make a recommendation to the Board of Education at the Board's regular meeting on December 9, 2013. Dr. Belcher indicated ballot language for the April 2014 bond proposal will be presented for consideration of approval at the December 9 meeting as well.

#### Northeast Elementary School Name

Dr. Peter Stiepleman, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, the naming committee has met three times since being approved by the Board of Education at its October 14, 2013, meeting. The committee requested that the Board allow the committee to continue to work on the naming of not just one facility, but three (northeast elementary school, southwest elementary school, and early childhood center). The consensus of the Board was that the committee proceed to recommend names for all three buildings. Dr. Stiepleman said the naming committee will meet twice more and will then make a recommendation to the Board of Education.

### Superintendent's Report

#### Mill Creek Elementary School Attendance Area Boundary Update

Dr. Belcher presented an update on Mill Creek Elementary School's attendance area boundary. The goals of changing the school's boundary are (1) to achieve a goal of reducing enrollment by 100 to 120 students, and (2) to make boundary changes that will remain in effect in 2016 when the new elementary school in southwest Columbia opens. Dr. Stiepleman shared the presentation that was recently given to Mill Creek parents. Dr. Belcher indicated the Board will need to make a decision on the Mill Creek attendance area boundary by January 2014. The Policy Committee will review the district's policy on attendance area boundaries at its next meeting.

#### Special Services Report: Student Transition Program

Dr. Lou Ann Tanner-Jones and Deborah Flores provided a report about special services programs and planning to support students' post-secondary transitions. They highlighted success stories of happy and productive transitions into the work force by district students with disabilities and the strong community partnerships that enable these transitions to take place.

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## 2012-13 Financial Information and Five-year Projection Model

Dr. Belcher presented 2012-13 financial information and projections for the next five years. He indicated that Governor Nixon hopes to fully fund the foundation formula, but that will be decided by the legislature.

## November Work Session Report

Dr. Belcher reported the Board's work session on November 21, 2013, will consist of a bus tour of several district schools to observe technology usage in classrooms. Board members will meet at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, at 7:30 a.m. and be taken to Midway Heights Elementary School, then Smithton Middle School; and finally, experience a virtual tour of Battle High School.

## New Business

### Consideration of Resolution Authorizing the Offering for Sale of Approximately \$50,000,000 in General Obligation Bonds, Including Engagement of Bond Counsel and Amendment to Letter of Engagement of Underwriter

Jack Dillingham of Piper Jaffray and Toni Stegemann of Gilmore and Bell presented a resolution authorizing the offering for sale of approximately \$50,000,000 of general obligation bonds from the April 2012 voter authorization; approval of the resolution would also include engagement of bond counsel (Gilmore and Bell) and an amendment to the letter of engagement of the underwriter (Piper Jaffray). The Board will be asked to consider approval of the bond sale at its regular meeting on February 10, 2014. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Sessions that the resolution be approved as presented, authorizing the offering for sale of approximately \$50,000,000 in general obligation bonds, including engagement of Gilmore and Bell as bond counsel and engagement of Piper Jaffray as underwriter. The second was by Mr. Preis. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

## Announcements

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

President King announced Mr. Preis will appear on KFRU on Tuesday, November 12, to review and discuss the November 11 Board of Education meeting.

## Adjournment

It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the Board of Education immediately adjourn to meet in executive session at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 9, 2013, at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, for the purpose of considering pupil personnel issues as authorized by the provisions of Section 610.021(6)(14) of the Missouri statutes; and that, in accordance with Section 610.021(9) of the Missouri statutes, executive sessions of the Columbia Board of Education be held for the purpose of considering issues related to negotiations with employee groups at the same location on the following dates and times:

Monday, January 13, 2014	5:30 p.m.
Monday, February 10, 2014	5:30 p.m.
Monday, March 10, 2014	5:30 p.m.
Monday, April 14, 2014	5:30 p.m.
Monday, May 12, 2014	5:30 p.m.

The second was by Mr. Sessions. The roll call vote was as follows:

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

There was no further business to come before the Board, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:16 p.m.