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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 10th day of December, 2012 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
Member James Whitt
Superintendent Dr. Chris Belcher
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer Linda Quinley

Absent: Deputy Superintendent and Secretary Dr. Nick Boren

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Rose at 6:40 p.m.

The first matter of business was consideration of the agenda for the December 10, 2012 meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Ms. King that the agenda be approved. The second was by Mr. Sessions. Dr. Rose requested an item be added to agenda as item 4b, "Report on Enhanced Enterprise Zone Situation." The vote to approve the amended agenda was 7 yes—0 no.

Consent Agenda

The Board considered approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on November 12, 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 November in the amount of \$65.42 million, cash receipts of \$7.30 million, cash disbursements of \$18.24 million, and an ending balance of \$54.47 million. The \$54.47 million was invested in government securities in the amount of \$45.31 million and daily investment accounts in the amount of \$9.16 million. The average interest rate for all investments was 0.19%.

The Board of Education had previously been provided a detailed report of bills and expenditures for the month of November 2012. The report totaled 264 pages. The following is a listing and summary of the bills as provided to the Board of Education:

General Ledger Accounts	\$4,365,758.15	Middle/Junior High Business	691.93
Elementary Instruction	89,067.91	Middle/Junior High Family and Cons. Sci.	2,746.74
Elementary Health	5,677.74	Middle/Junior High Health	535.61
Elementary Music	3,943.17	Middle/Junior High Ind. Tech.	2,140.39
Elementary Art	1,083.89	Middle/Junior High Physical Education	169.99
Elementary Science	1,364.41	Middle/Junior High Speech	656.67
Elementary Math	725.18	Senior High Instruction	29,856.30
Elementary Social Studies	833.27	Senior High Science	25,440.60
Elementary Physical Education	284.61	Senior High Math	1,711.95
Middle/Junior High Instruction	45,740.85	Senior High Language Arts	658.81
Middle/Junior High Science	16,581.80	Senior High Social Studies	659.25
Middle/Junior High Math	6,146.81	Senior High Reading	38.98
Middle/Junior High Language Arts	568.28	Senior High Foreign Language	189.50
Middle/Junior High Social Studies	304.13	Senior High Music	14,082.68
Middle/Junior High Foreign Language	151.52	Senior High Art	3,766.56
Middle/Junior High Music	1,744.78	Senior High Business Education	2,137.70
Middle/Junior High Art	2,968.10	Senior High Family and Cons. Sci.	5,872.86

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Senior High Industrial Tech.	1,337.52	Pupil Health Services	4,892.41
Senior High Physical Education	362.24	Ancillary Services	15,925.17
Senior High Speech and Drama	1,457.22	Staff Coordination	3,760.48
Senior High Journalism	820.00	Staff In-service Training	15,202.18
Senior High Planetarium	9,520.00	Library	17,817.88
Douglass High School	2,025.14	Instructional and Info. Tech. Svcs.	12,098.33
Suspension Center	1,026.82	Board of Education	16,437.57
Special Ed.—All Programs	44,387.03	District Administration	19,758.51
Gifted Program	2,672.82	Office of the Principal	9,042.54
Title I	14.10	Administration—Special Ed.	936.06
English—Second Language	3,238.65	Commencement	1,196.97
Early Childhood Special Ed.	11,384.64	Administration—Vocational	1,259.56
Voc.—All Programs	7,568.10	Business Services	4,467.68
Voc. Agriculture	2,365.78	Maintenance Services	142,333.82
Voc. Welding	1,890.54	Security Services	47,052.95
Voc. Business Ed.	6,182.19	Transportation—District	2,096.51
Voc. Family and Cons. Sci.	3,999.79	Transportation—Contract	794,391.25
Voc. Computer Ed.	676.39	Handicapped Pupil Transportation	196,377.16
Voc. Health Sciences	6,745.86	ECSE Transportation	46,146.45
Voc. Occ. Culinary Arts	12,416.45	Food Services Program	516,355.01
Voc. Trade and Industrial Ed.	3,101.05	Research, Assessment, and Accountability	110.90
Voc. Electronics	1,010.55	Information Services	41,819.34
Voc. Auto Mechanics	291.54	Employee Benefits	44,909.12
Voc. Engineering	111.70	Title I Early Childhood	1,152.26
Voc. Broadcast Journalism	11,953.00	Community Relations/PIE	10,647.16
Voc. Programming	399.98	Parents As Teachers	2,248.38
Voc. Special Needs	61.89	Offset Printing	14,438.00
Voc. Geospatial Information Systems	6,368.95	Early Childhood	10,864.78
Voc. Teaching Professions	37.38	Family/Student Services	1,516.92
Voc. Photonics	189.59	Revolving Accounts	5,068.41
Project Lead the Way	2,209.79	Parent Involvement	5,130.81
Extracurricular Activities	256,204.80	2007 Bonds Issued 11/09	18,281.41
Athletics	81,429.25	2010 Bonds Issued 05/11	1,040,390.67
Adult Basic Education	1,777.23	2010 Bonds Issued 04/12	4,113,108.07
Adult Business Education	4,866.12	Capital Projects—Tax	206,748.52
Adult Vocational Trades	2,976.01	Debt Services	209.00
Health Occupations	27,465.81		
Enrichment	9,296.81		
Financial Aid Office	87.60		
Counseling/Guidance	6,761.59		
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$12,555,185.28

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
Replacement of gymnasium bleachers and resurfacing of gym floor (Rock Bridge High School)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Heartland Seating, Shawnee, KS, in the amount of \$156,422.00
Replacement of horizontal rolling door (Rock Bridge High School cafeteria)	Purchase from Overhead Door Co. of Central Missouri, Columbia, MO, in the amount of \$21,153.00
Charter bus transportation (for transportation to and from Teton Science School in Jackson, WY, for science students and staff in June 2013)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Cavallo Bus Lines Inc., Gillespie, IL, in the amount of \$52,750.00

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Bid	Recommendation
Volleyball equipment upgrade (Gentry, Lange, and Smithton middle schools)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Carroll Seating Company, Kansas City, MO, in the amount of \$14,600.00
Schlage locks (district-wide)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Independent Hardware Inc., Philadelphia, PA, in the amount of \$10,718.64
Industrial technology equipment (Battle High School)	Award to low bidders meeting specifications, as follows: Paxton/Patterson, Chicago, IL \$19,684.00 SATCO Supply, St. Paul, MN 9,588.65 Boone County Lumber, Columbia, MO 8,327.70 Midwest Technology Products, Sioux City, IA . . 4,384.00 Fastenal Company, Columbia, MO 3,508.27 Brodhead Garrett, Mansfield, OH 2,236.58 Clarks Tool & Equipment, Kansas City, MO 1,026.52 Wright Tool Company, Troy, MI 585.00
Authorization to purchase wrestling mats (Battle High School)	Purchase from Dollamur, Middleton, WI, in the amount of \$19,500.00
Band parkas (Battle High School)	Award to low bidder meeting specifications, Midwest Band, Cortland, OH, in the amount of \$22,101.00

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:

- Verizon Foundation grant for Benton Elementary School
- Boys and Girls Town agreement

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

Public Comment

Public comments were received from the following individuals:

- Melinda Hemmelgarn, 412 Thilly Avenue
- Ken Green, 206 Anderson
- Bruce Summers, 6231 N. Gregory Drive

- Dean Andersen, 814 Timbers Court
- Debbie Rodman, 1300 Ridge Road

Board President's Report

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

Report on Enhanced Enterprise Zone Situation

Dr. Rose indicated there will be no action taken at this meeting on Enhanced Enterprise Zones (EEZ) as previously planned, as the EEZ committee is continuing to receive feedback from community organizations and neighborhood associations. Discussion will take place at a future meeting of the Board of Education regarding support for the EEZ, but Board members were reminded this is a City of Columbia vote.

Superintendent's Report

MSAN Conference Update

A report on the annual Minority Student Achievement Network conference was presented by Annelle Whitt, MAC Scholars coordinator; Darryl Luther, Hickman High School home school communicator; and four students. The conference took place in Phoenix, Arizona, in October 2012. The goals of the conference were to identify barriers to success, discover solutions and strategies, commit to initiating change, and develop a CPS action plan.

Reading Recovery Update

Susan Blackburn, the district's lead Reading Recovery teacher, presented an overview of the Reading Recovery program. Highlights included the scope and sequence of the program, student progress and success, professional development, and benefits to the schools.

Safety and Security Update

John White, Coordinator of Safety and Security, presented an update on security and safety in the district. Recent improvements have been made to lighting around schools and in parking lots, video intercoms and electric door locks have been added where appropriate, IP (network) cameras have been added to key locations, and 300 old radios have been replaced district-wide for improved point-to-point communication. Negotiations with the City of Columbia for additional school resource officers are in progress, and there is now a police department substation at Jefferson Junior High School.

Three-tier Student Transportation Scenarios

Dr. Belcher noted state funding for school transportation has decreased by approximately \$1 million since 2007-08, while district transportation costs have increased by nearly \$3 million. He said the Board will need to make a decision as to whether or not to transition to a three-tier transportation system by no later than February 2013.

Ms. King reported the Ad Hoc Transportation Committee has been studying the possibility of changing from a two-tier transportation system to a three-tier system. Input from the community via the World Café on transportation in October indicated a desire to move to a three-tier system, but there is debate over which group of students (elementary, middle, or high school) should be transported on the first, or earliest, tier, and which group on the third, or last, tier. The consensus of the committee is that a three-tier model should be incorporated, with either a scenario that has middle school students on the first tier, high school students on the second tier, and elementary students on the third tier, or a scenario that has elementary students on the first tier, then high school, then middle school. Ms. Wade added the hope is there will be a positive fiscal impact from going to a three-tier system, but the emphasis is on meeting the needs of students and families along with improved efficiency.

Michelle Baumstark, Director of Community Relations, presented information regarding a survey on student transportation that will soon be offered to parents, students, teachers, and community members. The goal is to have the results in time for the Board to discuss at its January 14, 2013, regular meeting.

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New Business

Report of the Auditor and Consideration of Acceptance of Audit of Financial Statements of the Columbia School District for 2011-12

Jim McGinnis of Gerding, Korte & Chitwood, accountants for the district, presented the audit report. He highlighted several statements and reports contained within the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. He also reviewed the audit communications letter and noted several findings described therein. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Whitt that the Board of Education accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Columbia School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012. The second was by Ms. Mees. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Consideration of Board of Education Candidate Filing Procedures

Dr. Belcher reported that advertisements describing Board of Education candidate filing procedures were placed in local newspapers on December 2 and December 5. Filing will open at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 2012, and close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2013. Interested persons must file in person at the office of the Board of Education Secretary, 1818 West Worley Street, Columbia, Missouri. Two persons will be elected for three-year terms and one person will be elected for a two-year term as members of the Board of Education. The election will be held April 2, 2013. It was moved by Mr. Sessions that the procedures be approved. The second was by Ms. King. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

Announcements

Ms. Wade announced she will appear on KFRU on Wednesday, December 12, to review and discuss the December 10 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

It was moved by Ms. Mees that the Board of Education adjourn to meet at 5:30 p.m. in executive session on Monday, January 14, 2013, at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, for the purpose of discussing negotiations with employee groups and issues related to the leasing, sale, or purchase of real estate as authorized by the provisions of Section 610.021(2)(9) of the Missouri statutes. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Preis voted	Yes
Mr. Whitt 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 9:25 p.m.