

**JEFFERSON CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 8, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular, open meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Dennis Nickelson at 4:30 p.m. President Nickelson welcomed all visitors to the meeting. Superintendent Mitchell led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Nickelson then read the District's Mission Statement, the traits of effective school boards, the role of a board of education, and the governing documents of the school district. He announced the Character*plus*® trait for September was "respect."

ROLL CALL

Roll Call was taken with the following Board members present: Joy Sweeney, John Ruth, Doug Whitehead, Dennis Nickelson, Steve Bruce, Alan Mudd, and Ken Theroff. A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Joy Sweeney and seconded by John Ruth. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7; Nays-0; Abstentions-0; Absent-0.

MOTION TO SUSPEND OPEN TO ENTER INTO CLOSED MEETING

A motion to suspend the regular, open meeting to enter into closed session pursuant to Missouri Revised Statutes Chapter 610.021, Sections(1) legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body . . .; and (14) records which are protected from disclosure by law was presented by Alan Mudd and seconded by Joy Sweeney. The motion carried with a roll call vote: Joy Sweeney – Aye; Doug Whitehead – Aye; Dennis Nickelson – Aye; Steve Bruce – Aye; Alan Mudd – Aye, Ken Theroff – Aye, and John Ruth – Aye.

RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

The regular open meeting resumed at 6:00 p.m. after the closed meeting was suspended. All board members were present. President Nickelson read the District's Mission Statement, and read the district's Beliefs statement. He also reminded the Board of the eight traits of effective school boards, the members' roles as a Board of Education, and the tools used to govern as a Board. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Mitchell.

OPEN FORUM

Pam Murray of Holts Summit, MO spoke to the board regarding Special Olympics of Missouri possibly purchasing and developing a specific portion of the district's land on 179. David Ganey, JCNEA Representative, asked for support in opposing Amendment 3.

BRINGING IT TO THE BOARD

The video this month highlighted children from South Elementary as they were being interviewed by Dr. Mitchell.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

President Nickelson presented the Consent Agenda items (pages 3-23) for approval including the August work session and open and closed minutes, disbursements, the personnel report, surplus property, and various contracts. Joy Sweeney presented a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items which was seconded by John Ruth. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7; Nays-0; Abstentions-0; Absent-0.

REPORTS AND/OR COMMUNICATIONS**Chamber and Special Olympics Collaboration Update**

Randy Allen, Chamber President and CEO, shared information regarding the interest of the Special Olympics of Missouri organization purchasing a portion of the tract of land the district bought for the new high school campus to develop into its headquarters and in conjunction with the JC Parks and Recreation build a sports complex with a multipurpose building. A feasibility study has been done to explore the possibility of a small tract of the district's potential secondary school site accommodating the facility needs of the Special Olympics of Missouri and the Jefferson City Parks and Recreation. Mr. Allen's handout is attached to the original minutes.

Summer School Update

Dr. Sheila Logan, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services, provided an update on Summer School data via a power point presentation and hard copy attached to the original minutes.

Superintendent's Communication

Dr. Mitchell reported district enrollment as of the same time last year is 9,029 (last year 8,996) and kindergarten numbers stand at 756 students. He told the Board the strategic planning teams would begin their work on September 26 and will hopefully have a preliminary plan to present at the December meeting. The district's approach to planning includes providing information specific to the development and support of the district's Strategic Plan, engaging parents, community, students and staff in school-related discussions to continue the district's communication efforts, and using the suggestions of the Long Range Facilities Planning Committee for future facility implementations. He also told the Board future work sessions would include studying dress codes as well as the security study results, and that the main topic of conversation at the MSBA conference would be Amendment 3.

FUTURE DATES

President Nickelson reminded the Board members of the upcoming events as listed on the Agenda including the MSBA Fall District meeting on November 5 in New Franklin.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business for the Board to consider.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Alan Mudd presented a motion which was seconded by John Ruth to adjourn. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes: 7; Nays: 0; Abstentions: 0; Absent: 0. The regular meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Doug Whitehead, Vice President

Claudia Borgmeyer, Secretary