

**JEFFERSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
315 EAST DUNKLIN
JEFFERSON CITY, MO
MINUTES OF SPECIAL OPEN MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President John Ruth at 6:00 p.m. at the Board Building, 315 East Dunklin Street, Jefferson City, MO.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Pam Murray, Steve Bruce, Doug Whitehead, John Ruth, Dennis Nickelson, Michael Couty and Ken Theroff. A quorum was established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Ruth led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Steve Bruce and seconded by Doug Whitehead. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

OPEN FORUM

No one came forward with an open item.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

President Ruth presented the Consent Agenda items for approval, including Regular and Closed Meeting minutes of November 9, 2015. A motion was made by Pam Murray and seconded by Ken Theroff to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-4. Nays-None. Abstentions-3. Absent-None. Steve Bruce, Michael Couty and Dennis Nickelson abstained from voting on item VI. (C. Disbursements).

REPORTS AND/OR COMMUNICATIONS

CO Reports

Jason Hoffman, CFO/COO, indicated the current auditing company, Gerding, Korte, & Chitwood, will no longer handle school audits starting in 2016 as a result of the current auditor's retirement. Mr. Hoffman will issue an RFP to solicit bids from other CPA companies in Missouri.

Superintendent Update

Superintendent Larry Linthacum provided an update on activities throughout the schools district. He also discussed the "Success of JCPS" and "what" and the "how" we do things. See Superintendent's report.

Committee Reports

Pam Murray provided a report on facility visits. Mrs. Murray, Mr. Couty and Mr. Theroff visited all schools in the district. Other members participated as schedules allowed. See written report provided by Mrs. Murray.

FUTURE DATES

President Ruth reminded the Board members of the upcoming events listed on the Agenda. He also reminded the Board there would not be a work session in November.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution Approving the Bond Compliance Procedure

Gilmore and Bell recommended the Board adopt an optional Compliance Issuance Procedure. Jason Hoffman is the district's compliance officer and is responsible for monitoring the investments. A motion was made by Doug Whitehead and seconded by Steve Bruce to adopt the recommended Compliance Issuance Procedure. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds

Lorenzo Boyd from Stifel Nicholas spoke to the Board about refinancing bonds. Refinancing will save the District \$293,000. See report from Stifel Nicholas. A motion was made by Dennis Nickelson and seconded by Michael Couty to adopt the proposed resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

NEW BUSINESS

APR update

Dawn Berhorst, Assistant to the Superintendent, Assessment and Planning, provided the board with an in depth review of the APR scores and the state's accreditation process. MSIP 5 is the accreditation program for all Missouri school districts. Three different standards are addressed through the MSIP process: Resource Standards, Process Standards and Performance Standards. The school district remains fully accredited. Superintendent Linthacum shared a report on how the District plans to move forward to improve student achievement. See report from Dawn Berhorst and Superintendent Linthacum.

Consider/Confirm Filing Dates for Board of Education Candidates

Superintendent Linthacum shared School Board Election dates.

First Read of 2016-2017 School Calendar

Jason Hoffman presented the draft calendar for school 2016-2017.

First Read of Policies

Penney Rector, Assistant to the Superintendent Human Resources/District Counsel, presented Board Policies BBB, BBBA, BBC, BHA, BHD, CCA, DGA, DLC, DLCA, IL, JFH, JHCD, JHCF, JHCF, KL and JFCL for first read. Members provided feedback for inclusion in the draft policies.

Waiver of Reading and Adoption of Board Policy DC

Penney Rector presented draft revisions to Board Policy DC. A motion was made to waive first reading and to adopt approved changes to Board Policy DC. The motion was made by Doug Whitehead and seconded by Steve Bruce. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-None.

MOTION TO SUSPEND OPEN TO ENTER INTO CLOSED MEETING

At 8:15 p.m. a motion was made to suspend the regular meeting to enter into closed session pursuant to §610.021 (1) legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body . . . ; and (2) RSMo leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a governmental body. This motion was made by Doug Whitehead and seconded by Dennis Nickelson. The motion carried with a roll call vote: John Ruth-Aye; Steve Bruce-Aye; Doug Whitehead-Aye; Dennis Nickelson-Aye; Ken Theroff- Aye; Michael Couty-Aye; and Pam Murray-Aye.

ADJOURN CLOSED MEETING

The Board adjourned the closed meeting at 9:01 p.m. with a motion made by Steve Bruce and seconded by Dennis Nickelson. The motion carried with a roll call vote: John Ruth-Aye; Steve Bruce-Aye; Doug Whitehead-Aye; Dennis Nickelson-Aye; Ken Theroff- Aye; Michael Couty-Aye; and Pam Murray-Aye. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstention-None. Absent-None.

RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING

The regular open meeting resumed at 9:02 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Doug Whitehead presented a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dennis Nickelson. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0. The regular, open meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

John Ruth, President

Stephanie Sappenfield, Secretary