

**JEFFERSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
315 EAST DUNKLIN  
JEFFERSON CITY, MO  
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President John Ruth at 6:01 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 Pam Murray and seconded by Doug Whitehead. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-None. Abstentions-None. Absent-0.

**OPEN FORUM**

Dan Ortmeyer, 3405 Anthony Court, came forward to speak on agenda item: Live Streaming. He feels that live streaming would rebuild trust and provide transparency. Board Member Pam Murray received two testimonies from constituents that are in favor of live streaming and she asked that they be filed in the Official Board Book. See attached.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

President Ruth presented the Consent Agenda items for approval, including Regular and Closed Meeting minutes of February 8, 2016 and Open and Closed Meeting of February 22, 2016. A motion to amend and approve by adding Minutes of Email Communication February 2, 2016 minutes was made by Steve Bruce and seconded by Pam Murray to approve the Consent Agenda items. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0.

**REPORTS AND/OR COMMUNICATIONS**

Legislative Update

Mr. Mike Reid, Associate Executive Director, Advocacy, MSBA, presented information on the latest legislative developments regarding education.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Larry Lithacum, Superintendent, gave an update on his goals of Effective Instructional Program, Lead Personnel and Community interest and needs. His areas of focus are: Learning, Partnership and Stewardship. He also indicated student attendance is up from last year by .3824. The district continues to work with ICLE and curriculum standards that will begin in 2016. See Superintendent's Report.

APR Dashboard

Mrs. Dawn Berhorst, Assistant to the Superintendent, Student information and Assessment, showed a couple of different possibilities for a District dashboard. Central Office Administrators will develop 5-7 indicators for the Board to review for inclusion in the public dashboard.

Behavior Task Force

Dr. Sheila Logan, Assistant Superintendent Special Services and Dr. Tammy Ridgeway, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Education discussed the new implementation for code of conduct, discipline and alternative options. Next year we will add 5 new interventionist to help build the capacity of general education.

## **FUTURE DATES**

President Ruth reminded the Board members of the upcoming events listed on the Agenda.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business to come before the Board.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Thyssen Krupp**

Mr. Bob Weber, Director of Facilities and Transportation, indicated South Elementary elevator is leaking hydraulic fluid. A motion was made by Pam Murray to acknowledge Thyssen Krupp was the lowest bidder, but the contract will not be signed until Penney Rector, Assistant to the Superintendent Human Resources/Legal Counsel, approves the verbiage. Motion seconded by Michael Couty. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0.

### **FencePro**

Mr. Bob Weber, Director of Facilities and Transportation, indicated Moreau Heights Elementary does not have a fence around the playground. Mrs. Sue Haugen, principal, requested a fence be placed around the playground. A motion was made by Doug Whitehead and seconded by Steve Bruce. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0.

### **Foresight**

Mr. Bob Weber, Director of Facilities and Transportation, indicated West Elementary needed a partial roof replacement and also replace the roof at the High School Media Center. A motion was made by Pam Murray to have the work done by Foresight, but the contract will not be signed until Penney Rector, Assistant to the Superintendent Human Resources/Legal Counsel, approves the verbiage. Motion seconded by Doug Whitehead. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0.

### **CenturyLink**

Mr. Joe Martin, Director of Technology, presented a three year contract for Voice of IP (VOIP). Pam Murray made a motion to approve CenturyLink, but the contract will not be signed until Penney Rector, Assistant to the Superintendent Human Resources/Legal Counsel, approves the verbiage. Motion seconded by Steve Bruce. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0.

### **2015-2016 Budget Amendment**

Mr. Jason Hoffman, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer, presented a third amendment to the 2015-2016 budget. See pages 68-70 of the packet for the amendment and supporting documents. A motion to approve the 2015-2016 third budget amendment was presented by Doug Whitehead and seconded by Pam Murray. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0.

### **2016-2017 Preliminary Budget**

Mr. Jason Hoffman, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer, presented the 2016-2017 preliminary budget figures which included estimated revenue and expenditure projections and maintaining the fund balance at approximately 21 percent. A motion was made to approve the Preliminary Budget by Michael Couty and seconded by Ken Theroff. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes-7. Nays-0. Abstentions-0. Absent-0. See Jason's powerpoint.

### **BOE Live Streaming**

Mr. Larry Linthacum spoke about live streaming the Board of Education meetings. Discussion of FERPA and other Sunshine laws were discussed. A motion to deny live streaming carried with a roll call vote: John Ruth–Aye. Steve Bruce–Aye. Doug Whitehead–Aye. Dennis Nickelson–Aye. Ken Theroff–Aye.

Pam Murray–Nay. Michael Couty–Nay. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes–5. Nays–2. Abstentions–0. Absent–0.

Steve Bruce made a motion for an alternative to live streaming. His motion was to post electronic copies of Board packets to the JCPS website 24 hours before a meeting and also post draft meeting minutes within 72 hours or reasonable amount of time after a meeting. Dennis Nickelson seconded the motion.

**MOTION TO SUSPEND OPEN TO ENTER INTO CLOSED MEETING**

At 9:43 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...; (13) individually identifiable personnel records,...; and (14) records which are protected from disclosure by law. The motion was made by Dennis Nickelson and seconded by Doug Whitehead. The motion carried with a roll call vote: John Ruth–Aye. Steve Bruce–Aye. Doug Whitehead–Aye. Dennis Nickelson–Aye. Ken Theroff–Aye. Pam Murray–Aye. Michael Couty–Aye. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes–7. Nays–0. Abstentions–0. Absent–0.

**ADJOURN CLOSED MEETING**

The Board adjourned the closed meeting at 10:51 p.m. with a motion made by Doug Whitehead and seconded by Steve Bruce. The motion carried with a roll call vote: John Ruth–Aye. Steve Bruce–Aye. Doug Whitehead–Aye. Dennis Nickelson–Aye. Ken Theroff–Aye. Pam Murray–Aye. Michael Couty–Aye. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes–7. Nays–0. Abstentions–0. Absent–0.

**RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING**

The regular open meeting resumed at 10:51 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ken Theroff presented a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Doug Whitehead. The motion carried with the following vote: Ayes–7. Nays- 0. Abstentions–0. Absent–0. The regular, open meeting adjourned at 10:52 p.m.

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John Ruth, President

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Stephanie Sappenfield, Secretary