

The Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Board of Education Office, 201 North Forest Avenue, Independence, Missouri.

Members Present: Mrs. Jill Esry, President
Mrs. Greg Finke, Vice President
Mrs. Denise Fears, Treasurer
Mrs. Ann Franklin, Director
Mr. Ken Johnston, Director
Dr. Matt Mallinson, Director
Mr. Blake Roberson, Director

Also Present: Dr. Dale Herl, Superintendent
Dr. Dred Scott, Dr. Lance Stout, Dr. Brad MacLaughlin, Dr. Beth Savidge,
Dr. Janet Richards, Dr. Cindy Grant, Mr. Dean Katt, Mrs. Sherry Potter, Mr.
Salum Stutzer, PTA, INEA, interested patrons, students, staff, and Ms.
Annette Miller.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Jill Esry, and minutes of the meeting were recorded by the secretary, Ms. Annette Miller. Mrs. Esry welcomed everyone attending the meeting including students from Doris Negaard's class Pathways to Education and several college students who were auditing the meeting.

Dr. Herl shared a video on the District's Early Education Program. It was named 2017 Early Education Program of the Year by the Missouri Schools Boards Association. Students learn about the different seasons, spelling, math, science, calendars, and their ABCs. There are over 800 students in 56 classrooms throughout the District. Dr. Scott said that Early Education was excited to be honored by MSBA and he shared the award they received. He thanked the Board of Education for their support and advocacy for preschool education. The District's program is the largest early education program in the state. Hanthorn School, Sunshine Center, and Santa Fe Trail Annex are three of the sites. Dr. Scott introduced members of the Early Education staff that were in attendance. The Board of Education congratulated them for their outstanding work and the recognition they received from MSBA.

Greg Finke made the motion to approve the October 10, 2017 Agenda as printed. The motion was seconded by Blake Roberson and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Mrs. Esry asked if any staff member or patron wished to address the Board of Education. No one responded.

Dr. Herl stated the monthly List of Bills will fluctuate month to month largely due to the Bond Issue projects. The Administration is recommending letting bids for a generator for the Central Warehouse and for high school graduation caps and gowns to possibly get a better price for students and parents.

Blake Roberson made the motion that the Board of Education approves the October 10, 2017 Consent Agenda as printed.

1. Minutes – September 12 and 25, 2017
2. Approval of October 10, 2017 List of Bills totaling \$10,227,869.21
3. Approval of Personnel Recommendation #3 as follows:
 - A. Employment of Certificated Staff for the 2017-2018 School Year.
 1. Matthew Uppman, Elementary Alternative Teacher
4. Approval to Let Bids for a Generator for the Central Warehouse.
5. Approval to let Bids for High School Graduation Caps and Gowns.

The motion was seconded by Denise Fears and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl stated that it was an honor for the District to receive the 2017 Early Education Program of the Year Award from the Missouri School Boards Association. He reported that the District's Academies Program will be honored in November as the Innovation Educator of the Year by the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and is the only K-12 institution to receive this honor. Dr. Herl said the second annual ISD parade (Saturday, September 30) was great and it was coordinated in conjunction with the three high schools homecomings. It was reported that there were more people in attendance than last year. Dr. Herl thanked the Board of Education for their continued participation and expanding their knowledge of public education by attending MSBA conferences and events.

Several items under New Business were presented for the Board of Education's consideration for approval.

Dr. Herl asked Dr. Beth Savidge and Dr. Janet Richards to present information on the Saturday School Program. Dr. Savidge said the District began the program three years ago. This program is based on the need to help students coming to the District that are not ready to start kindergarten. Teachers identify the students for Saturday School (Kindergartners and First graders). The students and parents are actually invited to participate during Parent/Teacher Conferences. The program focuses on two main school sites – Korte and Randall Elementary Schools. Bus transportation is provided for students residing in those attendance areas. Vacant slots are opened up to other schools but transportation is not provided. Enrollment is based on the number of teachers as each teacher serves 10-12 students. So far, seven teachers have already volunteered to teach on Saturdays. The dates are November 4, 11, 18, December 2, 9, and 16 from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Dr. Savidge and Dr. Richards said that this is a really, really good program for students. The students start the day with breakfast, then they work on reading, jolly phonics, shared writing, math, imagine learning, and then dismissal. How many students served is based on the number of teachers (10-12 students per teacher). Approximately 160 children participated last year. The Board of Education said this is a fantastic program for the students and parents and illustrates how the School District is on the cutting edge.

Mr. Stutzer updated the Board of Education on the Bond projects. He said there has been a flurry of activity at the sites since last month. Truman High School – last month it was preparation for beams and now the exterior framing and roof parapets are going up. In the process of pouring the slab for the cafeteria and when the framing of the roof parapets are complete, the work on the exterior walls will begin; and next will be interior framing and electrical work. Van Horn High School - last month at the meeting the masonry grid line was seen and now they are preparing for the footings; the wall panels will be attached when they arrive; footings are almost completed; then the slab and framing work will begin; it will take 2-3 weeks for the concrete panels to be up; converting the woodshop area into a classroom. The weather has prevented some of the north parking lot work - curbing and application of an overlay; and some water retention work will take place. William Chrisman High School - footings were poured and prep for the concrete slab work was done last month; now vertical work with framing and roof parapets are being done; and then the contractors will move to the inside while masonry work is being done on the exterior. New Elementary School - additional site work has taken place; the project was rebid with a new contractor; building pad site can now be seen with the lighter compacted dirt area. Mr. Stutzer said that all of the construction sites are progressing well and he is comfortable with the schedule as it is moving forward.

Dr. Herl explained that Agenda Item 3 is an emergency item. He said that at Santa Fe Trail Elementary School one boiler is totally down and the other is operating at 60%. He had asked that quotes be secured from vendors that had previously done work for the District. Following this process, the Administration is recommending approval of the quote from Lippert Mechanical Service Corporation for \$73,848.00.

The motion was made by Matt Mallinson, second by Ann Franklin, that the Board of Education approves the quote of \$73,848.00 from Lippert Mechanical Service Corporation to purchase and install two Boilers at Santa Fe Trails Elementary School. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

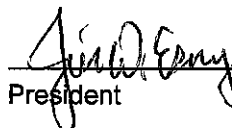
There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, Blake Roberson made the motion, second by Greg Finke, to adjourn the meeting and go into executive session for real estate, legal, and personnel issues at 6:35 p.m. The motion was approved as follows:

Ayes: Jill Esry
 Greg Finke
 Denise Fears
 Ann Franklin
 Ken Johnston
 Matt Mallinson
 Blake Roberson

Absent:



Secretary



President