

The Board of Education met in regular session Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Board of Education Office, 201 North Forest Avenue, Independence, Missouri.

Members Present: Mr. Greg Finke, President
Dr. Matt Mallinson, Treasurer
Mr. Blake Roberson, Director
Mrs. Carrie Dixon, Director
Mr. Eric Knipp, Director

Members Absent: Mrs. Denise Fears, Vice President
Mrs. Jill Esry, Director

Also Present: Dr. Dale Herl, Superintendent
Dr. Lance Stout, Dr. Cindy Grant, Dr. Pam Boatright, Mr. Dean Katt, Dr. Janet Richards, Mr. Randy Maglinger, Ms. Prissy LeMay, Mrs. Sherry Potter, Mr. Salum Stutzer, Mr. Todd Theen, Mrs. Jana Corrie, interested patrons, staff, and Ms. Annette Miller.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Greg Finke, and minutes of the meeting were recorded by the secretary, Ms. Annette Miller. Mr. Finke welcomed everyone in attendance. A video on the ribbon cutting ceremony for Cassell Park Elementary School was shown. Attendance was great with lots of excitement shared about the new school opening. It was completed two years from the date of the Bond Issue passage.

Blake Roberson made the motion to approve the April 9, 2019 Agenda as printed. The motion was seconded by Matt Mallinson and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl stated the List of Bills totals \$16,878,346.26 for the month of April. He said the Administration is recommending letting bids for replacement of one school bus and for multiple bids for Nutrition Services.

Eric Knipp made the motion that the Board of Education approves the April 9, 2019 Consent Agenda as printed.

1. Minutes – March 12 and Special meeting march 19, 2019
2. Approval of April 9, 2019 List of Bills totaling \$16,878,346.26
3. Approval of Personnel Recommendation #17 as follows:
 - A. Request to Resign (Certificated Staff) Effective End of the 2018-2019 School Year.
 1. Alexandra Arellano, Middle School Alternative Teacher/Independence Academy
 2. Jacob Bounds, Science/Van Horn High School
 3. Benjamin Byrne, Science/Nowlin Middle School
 4. Austin Chuning, Science/Truman High School
 5. Kassidy Chuning, English/Truman High School
 6. Dayla Eaton, Special Services/Nowlin Middle School
 7. Ceanne Garnett, Art/John W. Luff Elementary School
 8. Molly Glover, Science/Pioneer Ridge Middle School
 9. Jared Johnson, Math/George Caleb Bingham Middle School
 10. Allyson Mead, Teacher/William Southern Elementary School
 11. Jennifer Moreno, ELA/Nowlin Middle School
 12. Anna Oliveri, Teacher/John W. Luff Elementary School
 13. Lindsey Rimel, Fifth Grade/John W. Luff Elementary School
 14. Pamela Schafer, Kindergarten/Three Trails Elementary School
 15. Jacqueline Sweet, English/William Chrisman High School
 16. Hannah Wiese, Counselor/Abraham Mallinson-Sugar Creek Elementary Schools
 17. Amber Williams, Teacher/Sugar Creek Elementary School
 18. Leigh Ann Williams, Teacher/Little Blue Elementary School
 - B. Request to Retire (Certificated Staff) Effective End of the 2018-2019 School Year.
 1. Joyce Constance-White, ELA/Jim Bridger Middle School
 2. Sheri Hartley, Instructional Coach/Elementary
 3. Lisa Hawkins, Instructional Coach/William Southern Elementary School
 4. Jessica Maday, Early Childhood/Santa Fe Trail Elementary School
 - C. Employment of Certificated Teaching Staff for the 2019-2020 School Year.
 1. Alyssa Bush, Elementary Teacher
 2. Patrick Dent, social Studies Teacher
 3. Kirston Kaiser, Music Teacher

4. Melissa Manakul, Chemistry Teacher
5. Alexandra Rauscher, Science Teacher
6. Amy Schoonover, Elementary Teacher
- D. Employment of Teaching Fellows for the 2019-2020 School Year.
 1. Charlotte Bullard, Elementary Teacher
 2. Lydia Sturges, Elementary Teacher
 3. Jenny Wirt, elementary Teacher
- E. Employment of Teaching Fellows for the 2019-2020 School Year.
 1. Jennifer Coulter, Foundation Formula Teacher
 2. Sarah Dillard, Foundation Formula Teacher
4. Approval to Let Bids for Replacement of One School Bus.
5. Approval to Let Multiple Bids for Nutrition Services.

The motion was seconded by Blake Roberson and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl reported that the District is gearing up for State assessments that open on April 15th. He shared information on a legislative issue, SB292. Dr. Herl said that he visited with Senator Rizzo's office about this bill as it is in regards to charter schools. It is scheduled to hit the legislative floor next week. Currently, it does appear to have enough votes to pass. School districts are hoping for a filibuster of this bill. Our PTA presidents are being very proactive also by contacting their State representatives and senators expressing their opposition to this bill.

Don Coffman, American Field Service Exchange Student Program Coordinator, addressed the Board of Education and said he was glad to have the opportunity to share information about this program. The Independence School District's AFS program started in 1959-60. The first AFS student was from Chile and stayed with the Phil Weeks family. Mr. Coffman said the students get involved in the school activities as they do not have this opportunity in their home schools. The District has eight (8) students this year. Truman High School: Lisa Niebauer, Hochdorf, Germany; Dareen Alhajaef, Ramallah Beitunia, Westbank; Alzbeta (Elizabeth) Simolova, Praha 4, Czech Republic; Thanapat (Piano) Chunaka, Muang, Thailand; and William Chrisman High School: Olivia Schlie, Bargteheide, Germany; Ximena Quesada Castro, Limon, Costa Rica; Julia Wehrle, Muenchen, Germany; and Gemma Broto Blanch, Esplugues de llobregat, Spain. Two students were in attendance: Alzbeta (Elizabeth) Simolova and Thanapat (Piano) Chunaka. They talked about their host families and the school activities that they are enjoying. Each one of them thanked the Board of Education and School District for allowing them to attend this past of year of school in the ISD and for the "snow" days. Mr. Coffman thanked the Board and District for supporting the students in this program by providing lunch, graduation events, and many other items.

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

Dr. Herl said the District received the National School Boards' Association dues invoice for the 2019-2020 school year and that it is the same amount as last year which is based on the District's enrollment.

The motion was made by Matt Mallinson that the Board of Education authorizes the School District to pay the membership dues in the amount of \$5,335.00 to the National School Boards' Association for the 2019-2020 school year. The motion was seconded by Eric Knipp and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl stated that Jim Bridger Middle School is one of the Project Shine schools this year. The Administration is recommending approval of the bid for repainting the gym at a cost of \$14,885.00 from Dayco Painting, Inc.

The motion was made by Carrie Dixon, second by Blake Roberson, that the Board of Education approves the bid of \$14,885.00 from Dayco Painting, Inc. to repaint the gym at Jim Bridger Middle School. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl said the Administration is recommending accepting the quote from Kansas City Audio-Visual, Inc. from the State of Kansas contract #42603 for \$76,045.44 to purchase interactive projectors for Cassell Park Elementary School. This is part of the Bond Issue.

Blake Roberson made the motion that the Board of Education approves the purchase of interactive projectors from Kansas City Audio-Visual, Inc. for Cassell Park Elementary School for a total cost of \$76,045.44. The motion was seconded by Eric Knipp and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

As part of the School District's improvement plan, Dr. Herl said the Administration is recommending approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price from Nabholz Construction for the remodeling of the nine (9) science classrooms at Truman High School. This is the last of the Bond Issue projects.

Eric Knipp made the motion, second by Carrie Dixon, that the Board of Education approves the Guaranteed Maximum Price of \$1,943,591.00 from Nabholz Construction to remodel the science classrooms at Truman High School. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Stout stated that the District transports students in cabs to private agency schools and students that reside out of the District's boundaries. Some of the students require an attendant or a car seat/booster seat due to age or size of the student. The Administration is recommending approval of this specialized transportation with American Logistics Company and Secure Medical Transport.

The motion was made by Blake Roberson that the Board of Education approves the proposals from American Logistics Company and Secure Medical Transport for specialized cab services as presented. The motion was seconded by Matt Mallinson and unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Stout said that Nutrition Services had issued an RFP for the District's beverage and vending contract with renewal options. Based on the scoring selection, the Administration is recommending the bid of \$32,500 from Heartland Coca-Cola.

Eric Knipp made the motion, second by Carrie Dixon, that the Board of Education approves Heartland Coca-Cola as the vendor for the District's beverage and vending contract in the estimated amount of \$32,500.00 for the 2019-2020 school year with two (2) additional year options. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Stout reported that as part of the District's capital improvement program, the Administration is recommending approval of the bid from Yellow Dog Networks to upgrade the core network infrastructure for the 2019-2020 school at a cost of \$575,708.81. Since this bid was through E-Rate, the District will only be responsible for 20% of the cost which is \$115,141.76.

Blake Roberson made the motion, second by Eric Knipp, that the Board of Education approves the Network infrastructure upgrade from Yellow Dog Networks with the District's cost being \$115,141.76. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education

Dr. Stout said the Administration recommends accepting the ten (10) year contract with Independence Power and Light for the District's fiber optic network for \$2,316,600. Because this bid was through E-Rate, the District will only be responsible for \$46,332.00 per year for ten (10) years. The bid also includes a five (5) year extension at the same price.

The motion was made by Matt Mallinson that the Board of Education approves the bid from Independence Power and Light for fiber WAN at a cost of \$46,332.00 per year for ten years with a five year extension at the same price. Eric Knipp seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl said the Administration recommends accepting the agreement from ACS for control access and life safety devices for the Truman High School science classrooms at a cost of \$16,143.00. This is based on the compatibility with the District's current system.

The motion was made by Carrie Dixon that the Board of Education approves the agreement from ACS for control access and life safety devices for Truman High School science classrooms at a cost of \$16,143.00. Eric Knipp seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl reported that the District had let bids for the installation of playground equipment at Cassell Park Elementary School. The Administration is recommending approving the bid of \$42,453.00 from AB Creative.

Matt Mallinson made the motion, second by Blake Roberson, that the Board of Education approves the bid of \$42,453.00 from AB Creative for installation of the playground equipment at Cassell Park Elementary School. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Stout explained that, based on certain criteria, the District utilizes cab services to transport students to contract agencies. The annual expenses are over \$500,000 year to provide these services. He said that by using transit vans and Transportation Department drivers, the District could see a sizeable savings. The Administration is recommending approving the quote from Blue Springs Ford to purchase five (5) ten passenger vans as a cost of \$28,653.00 each.

The motion was made by Matt Mallinson that the Board of Education approves the quote from Blue Springs Ford to purchase five (5) Ford Transit Vans for a total cost of \$143,265.00. Blake Roberson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl said the Administration is recommending approval to purchase Chromebooks for Cassell Park Elementary School by accepting the quote from CDW-G from Education Plus contract at a cost of \$86,682.00. This is part of the Bond Issue projects.

Eric Knipp made the motion that the Board of Education approves the purchase of Chromebooks from CDW-G for Cassell Park Elementary School for a total cost of \$86,682.00. Carrie Dixon seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

Dr. Herl said the Administration is recommending approval of the bid of \$45,361.05 for classroom library collections and library books from Mackin for Cassell Park Elementary School. This is part of the Bond Issue projects.

Blake Roberson made the motion that the Board of Education approves the bid of \$45,361.05 from Mackin for classroom library collections and library books for Cassell Park Elementary School. Carrie Dixon seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board of Education.

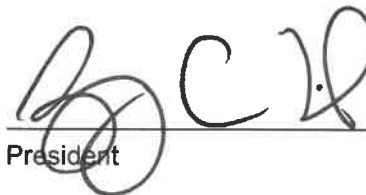
There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, Eric Knipp made the motion, second by Blake Roberson, to adjourn the meeting and go into executive session for real estate, legal, and personnel issues at 6:40 p.m. The motion was approved as follows:

Ayes: Greg Finke
 Matt Mallinson
 Blake Roberson
 Carrie Dixon
 Eric Knipp

Absent: Denise Fears
 Jill Esry



Secretary



President