

CHILLICOTHE R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT

Members:

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| Michael Leamer – Vice President | David Meneely - Member |
| Paul Thomas – Treasurer | David Williams- Member |
| Randy Constant – Member | |

Regular Board Meeting
August 18, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Chillicothe R-II School District was held at the Administrative Office, 1020 Old Hwy 36 West, in the city of Chillicothe, state of Missouri, on August 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Tom Chapman, Julie McCoy, Randy Constant, Michael Leamer, David Meneely, and Paul Thomas.

Members Absent: David Williams

Also Present: Dr. Linda Gray Smith, Wade Schroeder, Ron Wolf, Roger Wolf, Mary Pauley, Rachel Moore, Katherine Gibson, Anne Jeschke, Laura Schuler(C-T), Tom Tingerthal (KCHI), and Kristi Newlin.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Tom Chapman called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Mr. Chapman asked those present to participate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. McCoy made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Constant second. Motion carried 5-0.

WELCOME AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Chapman welcomed all in attendance then opened the floor for public comments. There were no comments from the audience. Mr. Chapman then read a statement that he prepared addressing the District’s preparation for school at CMS after the decision to reject the learning cottages.

TAX RATE HEARING

Dr. Smith reviewed the assessed valuation notices and certification letter from the State Auditor’s Office. She stated that the total assessed valuation decreased by \$38,121 for a total of \$128,506,752. Dr. Smith recommended that the tax rate for the 2009-2010 school year be set at \$4.2246 per \$100 assessed valuation as follows:

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| Fund 1- Incidental | \$3.6046 |
| Fund 2 - Teachers | \$0.0000 |
| Fund 3 – Debt Service | \$.5000 |
| Fund 4 – Capital Projects | <u>\$.1200</u> |
| Total | \$4.2246 |

The increase in the tax levy would net the district \$51,864 which is necessary to have the funds to operate the district. Mr. Chapman then opened the floor for public comments concerning the proposed tax rate for 2009-2010. Hearing none, Mr. Constant made a motion to set the 2009-10 tax levy at \$3.6046 in Fund 1, \$0.50 in Fund 3, and \$0.12 in Fund 4 for a total of \$4.2246. Mrs. McCoy second. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORT TO BOARD

Professional Development Budget

Dr. Smith presented to the Board the 2009-2010 budget for the Professional Development Committee (PDC). Katherine Gibson and Jenny Hughes, PDC Co-Chairs, reviewed the budget which consisted of \$94,945 in funds allocated for various activities, including Missouri PLC Project, mentors, substitutes, and out of district professional development. Mrs. McCoy made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Professional Development Budget as presented. Mr. Leamer second. Motion carried 5-0.

Program Evaluations

Dr. Smith presented the evaluations of three programs for Board approval. The first evaluation was of the Safety/Emergency Response Plan with a goal of evaluating the safety procedures in each building, as well as building and staff allowing for a safe environment. Summer School was the second evaluation which provides Summer School for students grades 1-12 who wish to keep in the routine of school. The final evaluation was of the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan. The goal of this program is to give direction and definition to programs in the district. The evaluations indicated that all programs met the assessment criteria. Mr. Constant made a motion to approve the program evaluations as presented. Mrs. McCoy second. Motion carried 5-0.

Facility – Community Committee

Dr. Smith informed the Board that the first community facility planning meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 20th. A building assessment report will be presented by Dwight Dickinson of Dickinson Hussman Architects.

Facility – Agriculture Building

Ron Wolf, Director at Grand River Technical, addressed the Board regarding the construction of the agriculture building. He stated that the contractors for the project met earlier that day to go over the plans. Mr. Wolf expected to have a contract to present to the Board for approval in September. Plans for a storm shelter were discussed; the district is seeking a FEMA grant to help fund the shelter.

NEW BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

Mr. Constant made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. Mrs. McCoy second. Motion carried 5-0. Items on the consent agenda included:

- 1) Minutes of the July 16, 2009 special meeting
- 2) Minutes of the July 21, 2009 regular meeting and executive session
- 3) Minutes of the July 29th, August 5th, and August 11th special meetings
- 4) Payment of bills totaling \$179,208.10
- 5) Administrative Reports

Financial Report

Dr. Smith presented to the Board the General Ledger and Monthly Finance Report for the month ending July 2009. Also included for comparison was the Monthly Finance Statement from July 2008. Ending balances for each fund are as follows:

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| Fund 1 | \$1,840,656.03 |
| Fund 2 | (474,484.14) |
| Fund 3 | 244,892.38 |
| Fund 4 | <u>273,602.00</u> |
| Total | \$1,884,666.27 |

Technology – Acceptable Use Agreements

Dr. Smith presented to the Board a Technology Acceptable Use Policy for approval. The acceptable use agreements are signed by students and staff members in recognition of appropriate usage of district technology resources. This includes e-mails, internet access, network access, and all technology devices and peripherals. Mr. Constant made a motion to approve the Technology Acceptable Use Policy as presented. Mrs. McCoy second. Motion carried 5-0.

Bids – Central Roof

Dr. Smith presented to the Board a listing of bid proposals for the repair of the roof at Central Elementary. The project calls for repair to the section over the principal's office and guidance counselor's office. Dean Peyton Contracting submitted four options which were discussed by the Board. Dr. Smith recommended that the Board approve Option #3 for a 60 mil Blk. PVD "Heated Welded Seam" system with a 1/8 inch per foot slope and a 15 year warranty at a cost of \$21,037. After a brief discussion, Mr. Constant made a motion to approve the bid proposal Option #3 from Dean Peyton Contracting at a cost of \$21,037. Mrs. McCoy second. Motion carried 5-0.

Grant Applications

Dr. Smith presented to the Board grant applications for approval. The first is a Service Learning grant from DESE for projects involving students in the community totaling \$20,000. The district grant writer is seeking approval for intent to apply for two grants from FEMA for the safe room at the new agriculture building and the other is for flood prevention. After a brief discussion, Mrs. McCoy made a motion to approve the grant applications as presented. Mr. Leamer second. Motion carried 5-0.

Board Training

Dr. Smith reminded the Board that the District is hosting the MSBA Fall Region 2 Meeting on Wednesday, September 2nd at 6:30 at the high school.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence for the month of August.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Chapman opened the floor for public comments. Larry and Gloria Johnston addressed the Board concerning the tax rate increase and the affect on their rental property.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Thomas made a motion to enter executive session as provided under Missouri Revised Statute, 610.021.03 for the purpose of employing, discussing and evaluating personnel, discussing real estate, and legal matters. Mr. Leamer second. A roll call vote was taken. Mrs. McCoy – yea. Mr. Constant – yea. Mr. Leamer – yea. Mr. Meneely – yea. Mr. Thomas – yea. Mr. Chapman – yea. Motion carried 6-0 on voice vote. The Board paused for a brief recess at 7:08 p.m.

Tom Chapman, President

Kristi Newlin, Secretary