

# Board Meeting Summary

February 19, 2007

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The Unit 5 Board of Education, at its regular meeting on **February 19**, took the following action and received the following reports:

#### Action items approved included:

- Adoption of 2007-2008 School Calendar
- Adoption of Curriculum Revisions and Textbooks and Materials for 2007-2008 including the new High School Grading System Procedures
- Adoption of Report Card Revisions for Grade 1 - 5
- Expulsion of a student discussed in Closed Session

#### Reports/Discussion

1. Update and presentation from the Architectural firm, LZT and Associates regarding pre-referendum programming and design expenses.
2. Enrollment report and Comparison Figures ~ John Pye reported that there was an addition of one teaching assistant at Oakdale Elementary School bringing the total TA's for classroom support to six. Total enrollment was at 12,121 as of January 31.
3. Operations and Maintenance Fund Report ~ John Pye noted that Tod Altenburg, Jeff Monahan, and Doug Johnson had met to discuss reductions in the deficit for the Operations and Maintenance Fund. Possible recommendations included but were not limited to:
  - Reduction of custodial personnel
  - Reduction of purchased services, supplies and materials
  - Reduction of substitute custodial costs
  - Reduction of overtime costs
4. Mid-Year Budget Update ~ Tod Altenburg provided the Mid-Year Budget Report based on figures as of December 31 (50% of budget year)
5. Freedom of Information Report ~ Alan Chapman reported that the District had received one request for information in

February from Tracy Widergren of *Business Builders*. Ms. Widergren was provided with the Fiscal Year 2006 Vendor List per the Freedom of Information Request.

6. Board member reports on committees/ councils/ commissions/ boards were also presented.

#### Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items approved included:

- ♦ Minutes of the January 17 and January 31 Closed Sessions
- ♦ Personnel Matters ~ **Special note was made of Virginia Albee's Retirement from the Unit 5 Transportation Department.**
- ♦ Payment of bills and payrolls
- ♦ Treasurer's Report ~ January 2007
- ♦ Statement of Expenditures by Operating Fund
- ♦ NCWHS Request for Overnight Trip for the Drama Club
- ♦ NCHS Request for Overnight Trip for Student Council
- ♦ NCHS and NCWHS Request for Overnight Trip for students to attend the Capitol Forum
- ♦ Authorization for ESL and summer school program for students with disabilities
- ♦ NCWHS Request for Donation from the Booster Club for a Flag Pole valued at \$700
- ♦ Pepper Ridge Elementary School's request for Sunday Use of the school by Lifepointe Church

#### Public Comments

There were no public comments.

#### Closed Session

The Board met in closed session before the regular meeting for approximately two hours. No action was taken in closed session.

**The next Board of Education meeting will be held at Kingsley Jr. High School on February 28 at 7:00 p.m. Board Members will be on hand for public discussion from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. that evening.**