

CHILLICOTHE R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT

Members:
Brent Turner - President
Pat Jones - Vice President
Lauren Horsman - Treasurer

Lindy Chapman - Member
Paul Thomas - Member
Robin Quinn - Member
Jason Bone - Member

Regular Open Meeting December 19, 2017

The Chillicothe R-II School Board held a Regular Open Meeting on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Administrative Offices, 1020 Old Highway 36 west, City of Chillicothe, State of Missouri.

Members present: Mr. Turner, Mr. Jones, Mrs. Horsman, Mr. Thomas, Mrs. Quinn, Mr. Bone and Mrs. Chapman.

Also present: Dr. Roger Barnes, Abby Smith, Karie Black, Adam Wolf, Brian Sherrow, Terry Mammen, Steve Haley, Tiffany Acree, Fallon Howe, Melanie Rucker, Philip Pohren, Jayme Caughron, Tom Tingerthal, KCHI; and Laura Schuler.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Turner led those gathered in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Turner asked for a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Item I - Electronic Sign at the new elementary school. Mrs. Chapman moved to approve the agenda with the addition of Item I - Electronic Sign at the new elementary school. Mr. Bone second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 7-0.

WELCOME, PUBLIC COMMENT & RECOGNITION

Mr. Turner welcomed those in attendance and asked if there was anyone that wanted to make any Public Comment. There was no Public Comment.

PROGRAM EVALUATION & BOARD REPORTS

Homeless Plan

Home-Bound Program

PK-12 Curriculum Development

Transportation Report

Mr. Turner asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the above Program Evaluations and Board Reports. Dr. Barnes discussed the wind damage the bus barn received during a recent storm, and the upcoming addition of a bus and bus route next year as the District opens the new elementary school. Mr. Turner he asked for a motion regarding the submitted reports. Mr. Thomas moved to approve the reports as presented. Mrs. Horsman second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

Consent Agenda: Mr. Turner asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the Consent Agenda. Seeing none, he asked for a motion regarding the Consent Agenda. Mr. Jones moved to approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. Chapman second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 7-0.

Items on the Consent Agenda were:

- Minutes of Previous Meetings, specifically from the November 21, 2017 Regular meeting;
- Payment of Bills: Totaling \$1,325,949.07;
- Fund II Transfer: Totaling \$378,408.40;

There was a discussion regarding the high school roof.

Finance Report: Dr. Barnes discussed the new tax monies that is starting to come in, the decreasing amount of funds in the Construction Fund as the project nears completion, the downward trend of the health insurance increase claims over premium, the status of contributions from local foundations, and the 10-year lease/purchase agreement the District has with CMU to finance the water and sewer line utilities that have been installed at the new elementary school site.

Future Operating Levy: Mr. Turner asked Dr. Barnes to discuss the figures he has put together regarding a possible future levy for the District's Operating Fund. Dr. Barnes said that a future operating levy all depends upon how many dollars the Board foresees that it will need on an annual basis. There was a discussion. Mr. Turner said that a tax levy subcommittee will need to be formed with a few Board members serving on it following the April 2018 school board election.

Consider Grand River Technical School 2018-19 Tuition: Dr. Barnes recommended the 2018-19 tuition rates be increased to \$2,750 for a three-hour program; and for Adult Students, \$5,900 for a six-hour program. If approved, the 2018-19 tuition rate would be a \$150 increase for secondary students, and the

same tuition amount as current for Post High. Mr. Turner asked Jayme Caughron regarding the scholarships available for the GRTS students. Mrs. Caughron said a good portion of their students receive scholarships during the second semester and most of the students receive Pell Grants or money derived from the GI Bill. Mr. Turner asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the issue. Seeing none, he asked for a motion. Mrs. Chapman moved to approve the proposed 2018-19 Tuition as recommended. Mr. Jones second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 7-0.

Garrison & Central School Future Facility Considerations: The Board held a discussion regarding the future possibilities for Garrison School and Central School after the new elementary school opens. Mr. Turner asked for the issue to be placed on the agenda for the regular January meeting. He also asked Dr. Barnes to talk to the city regarding what it has in mind for the Central School property. The administrators presented offered their opinions of what could happen to Central School or a portion of it, once the new elementary school opens.

Consider 2018-19 School Start Date and Calendar: Dr. Barnes said the calendar committee has met and gathered staff input. The proposed calendar recommended for the 2018-19 school year reflects 171 instructional days and 180 teacher contract days. The student starting date is August 16, 2018 and the last day of school would be May 15, 2019. Summer School 2019 will tentatively begin on May 28, 2019. He said the calendar is three days shorter than previous calendars and the school day will be extended by 8 minutes to give the District the same ADA as the current calendar. The three day difference will allow for three extra days of teacher professional development as determined by each building. Teacher contract days will stay the same as current -180 days. There was a discussion regarding the State Fair Mr. Turner asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the proposed calendar. Seeing none, he asked if there were any Public Comment. Seeing none, he asked for a motion regarding the issue. Mr. Bone moved to recommend that the Chillicothe R-II School District begin the 2018-19 school year on August 16, 2018 which is 10 or more calendar days prior to the first Monday in September, 2018, and approve the 2018 school calendar as recommended. Mr. Thomas second. All were in favor. Motion carried, 7-0.

Reconsider Paper Bids: Dr. Barnes said that last month, the Board approved a bid for copy paper, however, upon investigation of the product, the paper was not bid to specs. Mr. Turner asked for a motion to rescind the motion approved during the November 21, 2017 Board meeting for Contract paper. Mrs. Chapman moved to rescind the motion approved during the November 21, 2017 Board meeting for Contract paper. Mr. Jones second. Motion carried, 7-0.

Dr. Barnes explained that the District allowed all companies that bid on copy paper for the District to re-bid, following the specs, which specified that the District will not accept 92 GW/87 Brightness paper. All four companies re-bid. Dr. Barnes recommended the Board approve the bid submitted by Paper101 of Ankeny, IA in the amount of \$17,850. Mr. Turner asked for a motion regarding the issue. Mr. Thomas moved to approve the bid of \$17,850, submitted by Paper101 for copy paper. Mrs. Horseman second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 7-0. The summary of the bids re-submitted for Board consideration is as follows:

- Premier Paper and Packaging, Columbia, MO - \$17,858.40;
- Midland Paper, Quincy, Ill. - \$18,606;
- Paper 101, Ankeny, IA - \$17,850;
- Contract Paper Group, Inc., - \$18,480.

Consider Homebound Instruction Guidelines: Mrs. Black explained that the District offers Homebound instruction for students that need the service due to physical/mental reasons. Because the state doesn't require forms to be submitted regarding homebound instruction, she recommended the Board approve a packet that the District can offer parents and students with information regarding the program that also offers guidelines defining how many hours the District will be providing teacher support, informs the student what their responsibility is, what the parents', teachers' and doctors' respective responsibilities are. She recommended the Homebound Instruction Guideline packet be approved and be effective immediately. Mr. Jones moved to approve the Homebound Instruction Guidelines, effective immediately. Mrs. Chapman second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 7-0.

Electric Sign for the New Elementary School: The Board and Dr. Barnes discussed the possibility of an electric sign to be purchased and installed at the new elementary school. The funds for the sign, Dr. Barnes said, would come from the contingency fund and is estimated to cost around \$20,000. He recommended the Board wait on this issue until the contracts for the telecommunications systems at the new elementary school are awarded. Mr. Turner said the Board will revisit this issue during the January Board meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BOE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrator Reports: Mr. Turner asked Mr. Sherrow about the current attendance rate at the high school. He also thanked the Administrators for their help in encouraging great student attendance across the District. Mr. Turner also asked Mr. Sherrow regarding the opening of the Hornet Cafe. Mr. Sherrow thanked Hy-Vee and other donors who helped make the Hornet Cafe happen.

Dates of Importance: Dec. 15 - Deadline for Asst. Superintendent Applications
Dec. 19 - December Board of Education Meeting

Jan. 12, 2018 - Deadline for Special Ed Director Applications
Jan. 16, 2018 - Monthly BOE Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
Feb. 13, 2018 - MSBA Legislative Forum
Apr. 25, 2018 MSBA Regional Spring Meeting @ Milan, 5:45 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Turner read some Correspondence from the State of Missouri, announcing that the District is accredited under the Missouri School Improvement Program 5 as of December 1, 2017.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Turner asked for a motion to Enter Executive Session. Mrs. Quinn moved, as provided under Missouri Revised Statute, 610.021, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of employing discussing and evaluating personnel, discussing real estate, student and legal matters. Mr. Thomas second. Roll call vote. Motion carries, 7-0.

The Board enters into Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

Policy Revision: Dr. Barnes recommended the Board redefine "holiday" in policies GCBDA and GDBDA as a "school break" for Policy clarification. Mr. Turner asked for a motion regarding the issue. Mr. Bone moved to approve the revision to Policy GDBDA and GCBDA, to reflect the word "break" in place of "holiday" in regard to professional and support staff short term leaves of absence. Mr. Jones second. There was a roll call vote. Mr. Jones, aye; Mrs. Horsman, aye; Mr. Thomas, aye; Mr. Bone, aye; Mrs. Quinn, aye; Mrs. Chapman, aye; and Mr. Turner, aye. Motion carries, 7-0.

Assistant Superintendent Search: Mr. Turner asked Dr. Barnes about the schedule for interviews for the Assistant Superintendent's position. There was a discussion.

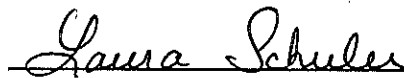
MOTION TO ADJOURN

With no other Business to be brought before the Board, Mr. Turner asked for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Chapman moved to adjourn. Mr. Bone second. All were in favor. Motion carries, 7-0.

The meeting adjourns at 9:07 p.m.



Brent Turner, President



Laura Schuler, Secretary