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- Douglass High School graduation ceremony facilities and services agreement with University of Missouri
- Renewal of contract with AVID for 2015-16
- 2014-15 Schoolwide Positive Behavior Supports (SW-PBS) memorandum of understanding for Lange and West middle schools
- Rock Bridge and Battle high schools concert bands performance and travel agreements
- Renewal of agreement with Adventure Club for 2014-15 school year
- Adventure Club summer 2015 agreement
- Missouri PreSchool Program consulting agreement with Mast Productions
- Agreement with University of Missouri for professional services relating to the Farm to School grant
- Request to accept a donation from Student Transportation of America
- Missouri School Boards Association policy services agreement

It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

(Copies of consent agenda documents are attached and made a part of the minutes.)

Public Comment

Public comments were received from the following individuals:

- Melissa Holyoak, 2709 Chapel Wood View
- Myia McKanna Custer, 2008 Chapel Wood Road
- Erica Fudel, 1909 Chapel Wood Road

Board President's Report

Reports from Columbia Missouri National Education Association and Columbia Missouri State Teachers Association Susan McClintic, Columbia Missouri National Education Association president, and Susie Adams, president of the Columbia Missouri State Teachers Association, presented reports from their respective organizations on recent and future activities.

City of Columbia Water and Electricity Ballot Proposal

City Manager Mike Matthes and Erin Keys, a civil engineer for the City of Columbia, presented information on proposed increases in electricity rates and stormwater rates which will appear on the April 7, 2015, ballot as Proposition 1 and Proposition 2, respectively. The Columbia School District will receive a discount if the district incorporates stormwater education into its science curriculum. The discount would mean that the district's stormwater rate would remain approximately the same if Proposition 2 passes; district administrators estimate an approximate \$6,000 increase after five years. If Proposition 1 passes, electric rates would increase by six percent over the next five years, adding approximately \$200,000 to the school district's annual cost. Former state representative Chris Kelly, who is leading Foundation for Columbia's Future, said both propositions are needed.

Superintendent's Report

MAC Scholars Report

MAC Scholars coordinator Annelle Whitt and assistant coordinator Arnulfo Peat updated the Board on the MAC program and the transition it has made from a club-like activity-based extracurricular program to a program tasked with addressing academic achievement. Assisting with the presentation were Lauren Croll, MAC program youth development consultant; and Stacye Smith, Linda Winn, and Teresa Flippin of Shelter Insurance Companies. The MAC program, which changed its name from Minority Achievement Committee to Multicultural Achievement Committee, is aligned with MSIP 5 and Columbia Public Schools' organizational goals. Highlights included the purpose and scope of the program, the program's partnership with Shelter Insurance, and MAC student performance results. Since its inception in 2002, the MAC program has served 8,951 students. Ms. Whitt said she plans to extend the MAC program to elementary students.

At this point in the meeting, 8:15 p.m., a recess was declared. At 8:20 p.m., the Board reconvened and began to consider further agenda items.

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Finance Update on Budget

Ms. Quinley presented an update on current year projections for salaries and benefits as well as fixed costs of the district as the beginning base for the 2015-16 budget. Information relating to expense projections was provided, and an update of the five-year financial model was shared. Increases to operating expenditures for 2015-16 were recommended to be \$5,557,526. It was the consensus of the Board that the administration proceed with developing the 2015-16 budget based on the financial information presented this month and last month.