

# Record of the Board of Education of the Columbia School District

**Special Session, 20th day of March, 2014**

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The Board of Education of the School District of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri, met in special session at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, at the hour of 7:30 a.m., Central Daylight Time, Thursday, the 20th day of March, 2014. Those in attendance were as follows:

President Christine King  
Vice President James Whitt  
Member Jan Mees  
Member Darin Preis  
Member Dr. Tom Rose  
Member Jonathan Sessions  
Superintendent Dr. Chris Belcher  
Executive Director of Human Resources and Employment Law and Secretary Andrea Follett

Absent: Member Helen Wade

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by President King at 7:30 p.m.

## **Consideration of Agenda**

The first matter of business was consideration of approval of the agenda for the March 20, 2014, special meeting of the Board of Education. It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the agenda be approved as presented. The second was by Ms. Mees. The vote was 6 yes—0 no—1 absent.

## **Consideration of Blues in the Schools Grants**

Dr. Leslie Trogdon presented nine grant proposals for the continuation of the Blues in the Schools program. It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the grant applications be approved. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The vote was 6 yes—0 no—1 absent.

(At this point in the meeting, 7:40 a.m., Ms. Wade arrived.)

## **Consideration of School Web Site Bid and Contract**

Mr. Preis and Michelle Baumstark, Director of Community Relations, presented a bid and contract from Schoolwires for hosting, designing, and servicing the Columbia Public Schools Web site. It was moved by Mr. Sessions that the bid and contract be awarded to Schoolwires as presented. The second was by Mr. Whitt. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

## **Consideration of Fiber Bid and Contract**

Chris Diggs, Director of Technology Services, presented a bid and contract from Socket for fiber to connect Two Mile Prairie Elementary School to the Columbia School District's fiberoptic network. It was moved by Mr. Sessions that the bid and contract be approved as presented. The second was by Mr. Preis. The vote was 7 yes—0 no.

## **Middle School Update**

An update on the scope and sequence of the district's middle school program was presented by Dr. Jolene Yoakum, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education, and the district's six middle school principals (Dr. Jeff Beiswinger, Gentry; Dr. Greg Caine, Jefferson; Dr. Bernard Solomon, Lange; Helen Porter, Oakland; Dr. Jean Selby, Smithton; and Dr. Connie Dewey, West).

## **Adjournment**

It was moved by Mr. Whitt that the Board of Education immediately adjourn to meet in executive session at the Administration Building, 1818 West Worley Street, for the purpose of considering personnel issues as authorized by Section 610.021(1)(10)(13) of the Missouri statutes. The second was by Mr. Sessions. The roll call vote was as follows:

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| Mr. Preis voted .....      | Yes |
| Dr. Rose voted .....       | Yes |
| Ms. Wade voted .....       | Yes |
| Ms. Whitt voted .....      | Yes |
| Ms. Mees voted .....       | Yes |
| Mr. Sessions voted .....   | Yes |
| President King voted ..... | Yes |

There was no further business to come before the Board, and the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:15 a.m.