MARCH 10, 2011 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting for the Montgomery County R-II Board of Education was held March 10, 2011 in the Jonesburg Elementary Gymnasium. All members were present. Prior to Regular Session the Board met in executive session to approve a leave of absence from Amanda Mann and four retirements: Michael Mundwiller, Caroline Nation, Peggy Kleine and Holly Bishop. The following staff members were approved for tenure starting in the 2011-2012 school year: Kimberly Albers, Gary Ash, Beth Chapman, Mark Clements, Laura Cooley, Janice Edgar, Teresa Finnern, Jennifer Krattli, Donald Moultrie, Tara Polston, Denise Rakers, Chasity Rodgers, and Kayla Wells. The following probationary teachers were approved for the 2011-2012 school year: Josh Thompson, Jessica J Davis, Brian Hammond, James Klaffer, Justin Graves, Kristy Duello, Lisa Houglin, Leslie King, Tonia Nunn, Natalie Covey, Micah Edge, Kista River, Bill Mittenzwey, Christine Ridgley, Sheryll Schierhoff, John Klekamp, Josh Pierce, Jessica Rodgers, Ashley Branstetter, Allison Brower, Christina Ridgley, Gary Eatherton, Ben Creech, Lindsay Capobianco, Brad Heckman, Megan Hollenbeck, Joe Klekamp, Sara Johnson, and Karen Milner.

Mrs Kindra Delp, Montgomery Elementary Principal, recognized Sydney Queathem for being select as a Missouri Valley Young Achiever for 2011. Sydney was chosen for her grades, leadership, and community service. Math contest winners were also recognized by Janice Edgar and Lyndsay Engemann: 4th grade from Jonesburg Elementary, Audrey Gaines received 6th place and Gabe Sissom received 2nd place in concepts. 4th grade Montgomery City Elementary, Hannah Milleson received 5th and Seth Horn 1st in Concepts. 5th grade from Jonesburg Elementary Rebecca Littrell received 5th and Sydney Queathem received 4th in Problem Solving and Sydney also received 5th in Concepts. Johnathon Daniels, 6th grade, received 4th in Concepts. 7th grade contestants were: Joey Schlueter- 1st, Eric Queathem- 2nd, Abby Bartlett- 9th place. Katie Tijerina received 7th and Maggie Sarchette 5th both from 8th grade. Tori Van Doren, 8th grade, received a 9th place in Algebra. High School recognized the band and choir Sextet groups they each received a 1 rating in District competition and at State competition the Choir Sextet received a 1 rating and Band Sextet a 2.

Joan Andrews addressed the 4 day school week issue during Patron Comments.

Michael Brown and Molly Porter, Student Representatives, reported the lunch shifts are going well. National Honor Society inducted 24 new members. The Academic Bowl Team ended 3rd in the EMO conference.

Janet Stumbaugh presented a chart showing the number of students that moved into the district and took the 2010 MAP test. She also reported 200 students moved 15 points or more on the MAP Math test and 130 students on the MAP Communication Arts test. The focus this year was to move students from one level to the next, 59 students moved up one level on the Math and 65 on Communication Arts. Mrs. Stumbaugh shared the Response to Intervention enrichment group at Jonesburg elementary have been studying Missouri Owls. Mrs. Neske explained that the students picked a Missouri Owl to research and the end project was dissecting owl pellets.

Old Business: Dr Ward presented a comparison of 4 day week and the 174 day school year. Comparisons included start /stop times, savings on subs, food service, fuel costs and transportation. After board discussion they voted 6/1 to adopt a 4 day week calendar for the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 school years.

New Business: Rich Bay presented information on the Fiber Optic Connection and Network Wiring. The Network Wiring at Jonesburg and Montgomery Elementary will be a summer project. Concerning the Fiber Optic Connection the board asked Mr. Bay to explore other options.

Dr Ward recommended accepting OPAA as our food vender. He asked the board to approve the MEIP Insurance plan. Staff options will basically remain the same as this year.

The MSBA monthly report reminded board members of the Spring Regional Meetings and to appoint delegates after the April elections.

Reports: Lindsey Engemann, PD Chair, presented the summary report of the SAI professional development survey.

Dr Ward covered budgetary information for 2011-2012 school year. There are three bills in session right now that will directly impact the basic formula. Dr Ward will have a better idea on revenues in May. FEMA has reimbursed the school for snow removal because Missouri was declared a disaster state. The maintenance crew really appreciated the time and equipment provided by local farmers to assist with the snow removal.