

OCTOBER 14, 2010 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Montgomery County R-II Board of Education was held on the 14th in the High School Library. During Executive Session, the board accepted the resignation of High School Principal Lisa Bethel, effective the end of her 2011 contract. They also approved Kim Albers for high school basketball cheerleading sponsor, Chris Parker seventh grade boys basketball coach and Dacia Schwab middle school paraprofessional. The board also accepted the early graduation request for Sarah Craven, Jes Griesbauer, Catherine Meyer, Kacey Novel, Ashley Shamp, Cody Spurlock, and Corey Stulce. In the Consent Agenda the board approved the 2010-2011 bus routes, September membership count and Substitute teacher list.

During Recognition, Janet Stumbaugh showed Molly Porter's power point presentation of her "Worm Project." The Worm Project is an organization that helps people in third world countries that are infected with intestinal worms. Molly learned of this two years ago in her Zoology class and was so inspired she used this as a topic for her science fair project. To help fund this project the Science Club and National Honor Society are putting together a 5K run/One Mile Walk. All proceeds raised will go towards the Worm Project to help supply the drug Albendazole, which helps treat the parasites for a six month period. Dr. Ward acknowledged Janet Cobb for the work in putting together the 2010-2011 Transportation Route Book and Janet Stumbaugh for being visible to the students when arriving to school.

The Students Representatives, Molly Porter and Michael Brown, reported to the board the information they received from the high school's student "suggestion box." Some of suggestions included:

- Paving the parking lot
- Lunch counts in the morning
- Painting of halls
- Twittering as means of communication between coaches and players
- Smiling more often

The board will bring Twittering back to the November meeting.

In the Achievement Report, Janet Stumbaugh, had all building administrators report out on what each is doing in regards to RTI in their buildings. The meeting then moved into one of the high school math rooms for a demonstration of the Mobi and clickers. Bernie Bader and Richard Sippel gave the Board sample EOC questions for Algebra to help in the demonstration. This new technology allows the students to respond to questions and immediately "click" their answers for the right or wrong response. This allows the teacher more time to center on the students that need more assistance with the problems. This technology can be moved from classroom to classroom.

In New Business the board heard the monthly MSBA report, which centered on the financial state of education in Missouri. The board also reviewed Mrs. Bethel's request to change the responsibility of junior class sponsorships to a prom coordinator, starting next year. No action was taken on the request. The board had the second reading of Policy HH, Teacher Negotiating Representatives. The board approved the 2009-2010 Annual Secretary of the Board Report.

The Superintendent's Report included an update to the roof project. Mike Schofield and Dr. Ward put together a punch list for the project which included the replacement of remaining damaged ceiling tile and the sign for the middle school. These will be completed before the final payment of the project will be made to A-Lert. The re-keying of the High School and Montgomery City Elementary has been completed. Dr. Ward commented on the "unprecedented times in regards to education funding." It has been reported the state will need to recover \$1.2 billion before the 2013 budget year to get the formula back to the original payment schedule. This, along with the cuts to transportation will mean more reductions will be coming to our budgets. On the upside, property values have stabilized across the state. Dr. Ward presented the board with the Three Tier Accountability System the administrators have put into place. This will be discussed at the November meeting.

The board will be attending the MSBA State Conference on October 22nd and 23rd. They also scheduled the annual tour for October 29th.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be at the Jonesburg Multipurpose Room on November 12th starting at 7:30 p.m.