

Record of Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of University City, St. Louis County, held at Ronald E. McNair Administration Building, 8136 Groby Road, University City, Missouri, June 10, 2010.

The following Board members were present:

Mr. Tom Peters, President; Mr. Stacy Clay, Vice-President; Mr. Bob Elgin, Secretary; Ms. Ellen Bern, and Ms. Linda Peoples; and Ms. Sydney Pritchard, Student Representative to the Board.

Ms. Joylynn Wilson, Superintendent; Dr. Chauna Williams, Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum & Instruction; Dr. Darryl Cobb, Assistant Superintendent/Human Resources, Mr. Scott Hafertepe, Chief Financial Officer/Business & Financial Management, Ms. Bernadette White, Executive Director/Pupil Personnel, Mr. Karl Scheidt, Executive Director/Operations, and approximately 22 staff members, students, and citizens were present.

CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum present, Mr. Peters called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sydney Pritchard highlighted events at University City High School. She indicated that the Summer Booster Camp will begin on June 11.

Ms. Wilson

- Again this year, University City will participate in a free breakfast program during the summer. Any child may visit a Summer Learning Academy site during the breakfast session and receive breakfast at no charge. Flyers at each school building have the specific site locations and breakfast times.
- Schools and offices will be closed on Monday, July 5 for the 4th of July holiday. There will be no summer school on that day.
- The Alumni Association will hold its annual picnic on Saturday, July 31. Look for more details coming soon.
- The District is seeking volunteers for the annual Back-to-School Rally on Saturday, August 7 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Volunteers or non-profit and

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- community organizations who wish to have a table at the event should contact the Communications and Media Services Department for the appropriate form.
- Many of you heard over the past weekend our community lost Mr. Tyrone Thompson, University City Class of 1982, and his mother is Ms. Betty Thompson, first African American on the University City City Council and she then went to be part of the State Legislation. Arrangements for Tyrone Thompson are as follows:
 - Visitation – Friday, June 11, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., William C. Harris Funeral Directors Chapel on Halls Ferry Road
 - Funeral – Saturday, June 12, 10:00 a.m. at San Francisco Temple Church Complex on Halls Ferry Road
 - Burial – Saturday, June 12 at St. Peters Cemetery at Lucas & Hunt Road

I would like to ask, at this time, if we can take a moment of silence for him but also in honor of the mother of Ms. Shelly Welsch, our Mayor, who also passed this week. (Silence)

10-212 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TRACK MEET

The University City High School boys track team claimed the title of Class 3A State Champions at the state finals track meet in Jefferson City, Missouri on May 28 and 29. This is the 18th state title for UCHS track, which are the most state championships of any team in Missouri.

Team members for the state championship team include Keith Murphy, Kenneth Williams, Darion Bore, David Lambus, Jamour Kaid, Nelson Atkins, Quartez Couzart and Emmanuel Price.

In addition, members of the girls track team participated and placed at the state level, including Lydia Bohlen, Kayla Heidelberg, Jamesha Howard, Lauren Hubbard and Courtnee Jackson.

The Board of Education recognized the boy's team for their state championship achievement and girl's individual athletes for their accomplishments. In addition, the Board and administration recognized the support they received from coaches Matthew Keller, James Crowe, David Lee, Daniel Muntges, Ray Armstead, Lafayette Gatewood III and LaToya Williams.

Each student was presented with a certificate of accomplishment.

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CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following individual addressed the Board:

1. Jahi Issa, 1344 Midland, spoke on behalf of helping to incorporate positive changes within the University City School District.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion to approve the May 27, 2010 minutes was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were presented under the Consent Agenda which can be approved by a single motion and vote.

Action	10-000	Personnel Recommendations
Action	10-213	Order for Drawing Checks
Action	10-214	New and/or Revised Policies & Regulations
Action	10-215	Tuition Rates, SY2010-2011
Action	10-216	District Auditing Services
Action	10-217	Food Service Contract Renewal
Action	10-218	Salary Schedules
Action	10-219	Transportation Program Evaluation
Action	10-220	Brittany Woods Library Furniture
Information	10-221	Board of Education Appointments, SY2010-2011
Information	10-222	Board Liaison, SY2010-2011
Action	10-223	Conference Attendance

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

10-224 FLYNN PARK PTO PLAYGROUND DONATION

It was recommended that the Board of Education accept the \$33,000 donation of cash and pledges to be used as part of the Municipal Park Grant to build a new playground in Flynn Park.

University City Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, Nancy MacCartney, submitted a Municipal Park Grant in the amount of \$280,000 with a match from the City and School District of University City of the \$330,000 overall project budget. The Grant will replace the Flynn Park playground, used mostly by students attending Flynn Park Elementary School.

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The Flynn Park Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) has raised nearly 10% or \$33,000 in cash and pledges as part of the government partner grant match. The Flynn Park PTO, led by Dona Wellmon and Terry Ross for fundraising and Brian Feld and Samantha Rhoades for design, have fulfilled the Flynn Park parents, community and staff's commitment for this project.

Ms. Donna Wellmon and Mr. Brian Feld presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A brief discussion took place.

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

10-225 REAL TALK, INC. UPDATE

Mr. Sultan Muhammad and Mr. Victor Pichon of Real Talk, Inc. gave an update on the program held at Brittany Woods Middle School and University City High School.

Real Talk, Inc. is a middle school and high school program that is preventative in nature to reach students who are involved or associated with a gang subculture. Real Talk, Inc. works with students during the school day to teach critical thinking skills, self-discipline and to inspire and motivate them to achieve academic excellence.

Mr. Muhammad and Mr. Pichon presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

Ms. Maria Chappelle-Nadal arrived at this time – 7:42 p.m.

A brief discussion ensued.

10-226 WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY/BRITTANY WOODS MIDDLE SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

During the 2008-2009 school year, the School District of University City and Washington University expanded their partnership to include support for the academic reform of Brittany Woods Middle School.

Dr. Jamie Jordan, principal of Brittany Woods Middle School, Victoria May, director of the Science Outreach Program at Washington University, and Dr. Chauna Williams, assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction provided

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an update of the Washington University/Brittany Woods Middle School partnership and responded to questions from the Board.

A lengthy discussion took place.

10-227 UNIVERSITY CITY FEDERATION OF TEACHERS MEET AND CONFER AGREEMENT

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2010/2011 UCFT Meet and Confer agreement.

In accordance with Board of Education Regulation 4040, the University City Federation of Teachers (UCFT) and Administration conducted 2010/2011 Meet and Confer negotiations on March 30 and May 27. Both negotiating teams reached final agreement on the eleven articles submitted under the items of consideration.

Dr. Cobb and Ms. Cheryl Carr, president, UCFT, presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A brief discussion ensued.

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

10-228 FY2010-2011 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

The District is projecting an operating budget deficit in FY11 of approximately \$420,000. The District is also forecasting a small deficit in the capital projects fund of approximately \$60,000. The Administration feels that the District has ample reserves to cover the deficit in the operating fund; however, it is imperative that the District continues to carryout the long-range budget plan that was developed during the Destination U. City Schools Community Engagement process. As part of this plan, the Board of Education reduced FY11 operating expenditures by approximately \$1.2 million with the reduction of various staffing positions and other costs.

The net operating fund balance on June 30, 2010 is estimated to be approximately \$4.3 million, or 10.75% of operating expenditures. The operating fund balance on June 30, 2011, is projected to decrease to approximately \$3.0 million, or 10.03% of operating expenditures. The capital projects fund balance is expected to be approximately \$4.5 million at the end of FY11. The Board of Education voted to approve the recommendations from the Destination U. City

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Schools process, which included using \$4.0 of capital project funds in conjunction with the proceeds from the 2009 bond issue.

On April 7, 2009, the citizens of University City voted to approve the sale of \$53.6 million of general obligation bonds. The proceeds from this bond issue will be used to construct two new elementary schools and renovate four other schools. The District sold \$27 million of bonds in June 2009, \$9.185 million in October 2009, and plans to sell the balance of the bonds in 2011.

Mr. Hafertepe presented this item and responded to questions from the Board.

A lengthy question and answer period took place.

A motion to approve was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Ms. Wilson recognized Ms. Nicalee Stevens, the Associate Elementary Principal at Delmar-Harvard. She has been with the District many years and is one of our up and coming leaders. She is going into her third year as an administrator for the Summer Learning Academy.

10-229 NEW AND/OR REVISED POLICIES & REGULATIONS

Ms. Bernadette White, executive director of Pupil Personnel, presented the first reading of the listed policies and regulations and responded to questions from the Board. She stated that these policies and regulations will be brought back for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

P2410	Student Education Records
R2410	Student Education Records
P2520	Grade Placement per Transfers
R2520	Grade Placement per Transfers
P2540	Graduation Requirements
P2541	Graduation Requirements – Students with Disabilities
R2610	Behavioral Expectations and Consequences
P2610.1	Bullying
P2624	Expulsion
R2624	Expulsion
P2630	Student Discipline Hearings
P2650	Reporting of Violent Behavior
R2650	Reporting of Violent Behavior
P2770	Foster Care Bill of Rights
P2920	Co-curricular Activities/Interscholastic Athletics

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A brief description of new and/or deleted language was explained.

A lengthy discussion took place.

The following individual addressed the Board:

1. Rosanna Benitez, UCEA President

Mr. Peters remarked that the Board agreed to have the "Board Chat" segment reserved for Board Workshops.

Ms. Peoples requested that the Board workshop on Saturday, June 12, 2010 be postponed to a later date due to the funeral services and respect for the Thompson Family. The consensus of the Board was in agreement of this request.

Ms. Peoples also passed out a revised draft of the Community Engagement Documentation Form for Board members to review.

A special board meeting will be held on July 1, 2010 for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the seat that will be vacated by Trudy Moon. The public is invited.

A motion was made to hold an executive session before the regularly scheduled meeting on July 15, 2010 for discussions of personnel, real estate, legal matters, pupil personnel, and meet and confer. The meeting, records and votes are to be closed to the public. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously by a roll call vote: Ms. Bern, Ms. Chappelle-Nadal, Mr. Clay, Mr. Elgin, Ms. Peoples, and Mr. Peters.

A motion to adjourn this meeting at 9:20 p.m. was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Tom Peters, President

Bob Elgin, Secretary