

**MACON COUNTY R-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION – TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2001**

The Macon County R-I Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, September 25, 2001, at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were John Walker, Vern Kincheloe, Jim Cerva, David Hamilton, Don Kinkhorst, Toni Riekeberg, and Kathy McElwain.

A motion was made by John Walker, seconded by Toni Riekeberg and passed unanimously to remove item (A) – Approval of agenda and approve the remaining items, which consisted of minutes of previous meeting, revenue/expenditure comparison, treasurer’s report, and monthly bills.

A motion was made by Toni Riekeberg, seconded by Jim Cerva and passed unanimously to add item (C) – Release Time for PDC & Update Map Scores under the Superintendent’s report to the Board.

Superintendent Brown noted that each board member had received a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation for the newly formed Macon County R-I Educational Foundation and also a rough draft of the by-laws. Board members were to inform Brown of any suggestions for changes. The Foundation will be meeting later to adopt the by-laws.

Superintendent Brown reported that he and Mr. Motley will be attending an orientation meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2001 in Jefferson City to prepare for the school’s participation in the Professional Learning Community Pilot Project entitled Network of High Schools with Results.

Superintendent Brown reported that he would like to work with the administration to develop a plan for more release time for the PDC (Professional Development Committee) to work on curriculum, whether it be a day a month, or adding so many minutes to every day on the calendar. Brown also reported that J.D. King had advised him not to release the MAP preliminary scores yet. The method of scoring had changed, so he would like to come and go over the scores with the administration before releasing them to the public.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Don Kinkhorst, seconded by John Walker and passed unanimously to provide a hearing to the public regarding policies relative to the Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA). This hearing will be scheduled prior to next month’s board meeting, which will enable any concerns to be voiced and then to adopt any changes recommended to the policy at the next board meeting.

Superintendent Brown noted that MSBA has prepared a packet of policy revisions relative to Senate Bill 319 regarding Reading Retention/Reading Assessment. Board members were given a copy of these revisions. Brown asked the Board to wait a month

while the administration had time to review the changes and to bring back a recommendation for consideration next month.

Superintendent Brown reported that in the June 26, 2001 meeting, the Board approved revisions to Policy IGDJAA-AP, Citizenship Policy (Procedures). MSBA has returned the policy with comments from their attorney and suggested revisions. Brown would like the administration to review the changes for the next thirty days and prepare a recommendation for consideration at next month's board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Principal John Williams gave his annual assessment of the federal programs that he is in charge of at the school and gave a handout to all board members. His overall assessment reviewed strengths, weaknesses, short-term and long-term goals of the Title I program. Williams also noted that he was pleasantly surprised to hear that it sounds like the school will be receiving the same amount of monies as last year in federal funding, in the beginning of the year he had heard otherwise.

Coach Walt Thompson gave his annual assessment to the Board on extra-curricular and co-curricular activities. Last year 98% of elementary students, 84% of the middle school students, and 80% of the high school students participated in some sort of extra-curricular program. One of the new activities that was added last year was the freshman basketball program, he hopes more girls will participate this year. Some of the new items board members will notice this coming year is the addition of a new basketball score table, pole vault and high jump pit for track, new Hugh Dunn sign, and new carpeting on the football field. Coach Thompson also gave a review of the gate receipts.

Mike Trumper gave his annual assessment report on the maintenance projects that had been completed for the 2001 school year. Trumper gave a handout to board members of the projects completed and their costs. One item on the sheet that is still ongoing is the door replacements. This project should be completed sometime in the next 2-3 weeks. The facility committee will be meeting and he will report on what recommendations they might have for future plans for the school.

Superintendent Brown reported on other projects that were happening in the school. The Elementary PTO is working on a project to extend the fence around the elementary playground. The City of Macon is looking at placing a sidewalk across the front of the school property with grant monies they would receive. The Tigerette Fence project was nearing completion. The possibility of a birth to three year old daycare facility.

A motion was made by Jim Cerva, seconded by John Walker and passed unanimously to adopt the Local Compliance Plan for Special Education that was a Model Plan provided by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The plan includes policies, procedures, and programs that are consistent with the State's policies established under Federal regulations.

Superintendent Brown announced that the technology committee is meeting next week and he will be coming back to the Board at next months meeting to adopt a Technology Plan that will be forthcoming from the that committee meeting.

A motion was made by Don Kinkhorst, seconded by Toni Riekeberg and passed unanimously to approve Terry Brown's request to apply for reimbursed snack money through the State of Missouri Department of Health for the Nuts & Bolts Preschool.

A motion was made by Jim Cerva, seconded by David Hamilton and passed unanimously to approve the list of students residing within one mile of the school, who are transported at no-additional-cost to the district.

A motion was made by Jim Cerva, seconded by Toni Riekeberg and passed unanimously to approve Kyrsten Hicks and Frank Grimshaw to serve for 3-year terms on the Business Education Advisory Committee.

A motion was made by David Hamilton, seconded by John Walker and passed to increase the daily salary rate by \$5 paid to substitute teachers in each category, effective October 1, 2001. Persons with sixty college hours would be paid \$55 per day and those with college degrees would be paid \$60 per day. Toni Riekeberg and Don Kinkhorst abstained from voting.

A motion was made by John Walker, seconded by Don Kinkhorst and passed unanimously to submit a resolution asking the federal government to fully fund the 40% IDEA funds, thus far the school had only received 15%.

President McElwain read thank you cards and notes received.

The next regular scheduled board meeting will be Tuesday, October 23, 2001, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library.

John Walker moved that the Macon R-1 Board of Education enter into executive session as provided by Missouri Law, Section 610.021, for the purpose of discussing personnel, specifically employment of certificated and non-certificated personnel. Macon R-1 Board Policy BC, Section 3, states that "The Board reserves the right, as provided by law, to conduct closed meetings, including any records or votes, to the extent that they relate to: actions relating to the hiring, firing, disciplining or promotion of particular district employees." David Hamilton seconded the motion. Those voting yea – Toni Riekeberg, Jim Cerva, John Walker, David Hamilton, Vern Kincheloe, Don Kinkhorst and Kathy McElwain. Those voting nay- none. Motion passed.

Kathy McElwain, President

Deborah Baker, Secretary