

**MACON COUNTY R-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
REGULAR SESSION – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2001**

The Macon County R-I Board of Education met in regular session on Tuesday, October 23, 2001, at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were John Walker, Vern Kincheloe, Jim Cerva, David Hamilton, Toni Riekeberg, Don Kinkhorst, and Kathy McElwain.

President McElwain thanked everyone for coming and asked Girl Scouts' Amanda Foster and Rebecca Butner to lead the group in the pledge to the flag.

A motion was made by Jim Cerva, seconded by Toni Riekeberg and passed unanimously to accept the consent agenda, which consisted of approval of agenda, minutes of previous meeting, attendance report, revenue/expenditure comparison, treasurer's report, and monthly bills.

Superintendent Brown reported on the enrollment data from the September 26, 2001 enrollment count compared to the September 2000 data. There are seventeen less students enrolled than a year ago. Brown expects the enrollment to decline for another four years, as the average class-size in grades K-8 is 93.22 students, while the average class-size in grades 9-12 is 117.25.

Superintendent Brown reported that a full report regarding the district's MAP scores would be presented either during the November or December board meeting. The school has not received the Annual Performance Report from DESE, which will provide additional information that will help analyze the test results. Board members were given preliminary reports to review the data before the full report is given.

Superintendent Brown reported that the district is eligible to receive a Goals 2000 Grant in the amount of \$18,002. Additional funding had become available, and the district's original grant proposal scored high enough to be considered for funding with these additional monies. The Goals 2000 Grants of recent years have provided money to pay teachers' salaries for curriculum writing and revision.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A motion was made by John Walker, seconded by Jim Cerva and passed unanimously to approve the following policies effective immediately that were discussed at last month's board meeting relating to the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA): Policies EHA, EHB, and EHB-R.

A motion was made by Don Kinkhorst, seconded by Jim Cerva and passed unanimously to approve the following administrative procedures policies effective July 2, 2002: Policies EHB, AF1, AF2, and AF3.

A motion was made by Toni Riekeberg, seconded by Don Kinkhorst and passed unanimously to approve the revisions provided by Senate Bill 319 to policies regarding

reading retention/reading assessment effective immediately: Policies IGC, IKE, IL, IL-AP, KB, and KB-AP.

A motion was made by David Hamilton, seconded by John Walker and passed unanimously to approve the revisions to the Citizenship Policies as presented at last month's board meeting: Policies IG-D, J, A, and AP.

A motion was made by Jim Cerva, seconded by Toni Riekeberg and passed unanimously to approve the audit report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001 completed by Lockridge, Constant & Conrad, LLC.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Joetta Walter, Special Education Process Coordinator gave her assessment of the Special Education Department. She felt the strengths of the program were certified staff, parent/teacher communication, materials and supplies, level of staff knowledge and experience, and improved facilities. The concerns she addressed were incidence rates of disabilities, alignment of IEP goals with regular education curriculum, students who do not qualify for Special Education, and how to address MAP progress for Students with Special Needs. Her future recommendations were a committee to make recommendations for plan to improve MAP scores for students with special needs, and CARE Team involvement in special education referral process.

A motion was made by John Walker, seconded by David Hamilton and passed unanimously to approve the 2001-2002 bus routes as presented in the report by Gerald Mansfield.

Gerald Mansfield asked the board's permission to request bids for the purchase of one new school bus for the 2002-2003 school year. This would continue the schedule for replacement of buses that has been in place for several years. The required expenditure for the down payment of \$500 is budgeted in the current operating budget and would be payable before June 30, 2002. The balance of the purchase price would be financed through a five-year lease-purchase agreement with one of the local financial institutions.

A motion was made by Jim Cerva, seconded by David Hamilton and passed unanimously to grant permission to Gerald Mansfield to request bids for the purchase of one new school bus for the 2002-2003 school year.

President McElwain read thank you's the board had received.

Superintendent Brown recognized the following individuals:

Dina Arnold – presenter at Missouri School Boards Association Fall Education Conference for the 'Wee Deliver' program.

Clarence Cannon Conference Softball Players and Coach recognition's:

Jennifer Morris – Coach of the Year

Val Schlipf – Player of the Year – 1<sup>st</sup> team

Lisa Leathers – 1<sup>st</sup> team  
Beth Ketchum and Kelcie Nelson – 2<sup>nd</sup> team  
Ashley Teter and Haley Morrissey – honorable mention  
Marching Tiger Band Placing in Competitions: Gene Edwards – Director of Bands and  
John Wiggans – Associate Director  
Clark County Parade of Champions – 2<sup>nd</sup> in parade  
2<sup>nd</sup> in field show (Class 3A)  
2<sup>nd</sup> overall (All Classes)  
Nina Czuba/Rachel Harrison 1<sup>st</sup> place drum majors  
Flag Corps 1<sup>st</sup> place  
Winds 1<sup>st</sup> place  
St Joseph Field Competition 1<sup>st</sup> place

Job Shadow Day – 55 juniors participated – Suzy Thompson A+ Coordinator.

The next regular scheduled board meeting will be Thursday, November 29, 2001, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library.

Toni Riekeberg 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.” John Walker 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.

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Kathy McElwain, President

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Deborah Baker, Secretary