

**MACON COUNTY R-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION – FEBRUARY 9, 2012**

The Macon County R-I Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, February 9, 2012, at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 115. Board members present were Kevin Linear, Tammy Gibson, Danny Orbin, Byron Freeman, John Walker, Jimmie Wilt and James Rehard. Administration present: Superintendent Livingston, Director of Operations Gingrich, CTE Director Claas, High School Principal Tietsort, Middle School Principal Fanning, Assistant Elementary Principal Quinn and Elementary Principal Motley. Assistant High School Principal/Athletic Director Weimer was absent. Also in attendance was Board Secretary Smith.

President Rehard welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited all present to stand and join him in the pledge to the flag.

President Rehard reported on activities that had occurred on the campus since the last Board meeting.

A motion was made by Jimmie Wilt, seconded by John Walker and passed unanimously to approve the agenda.

President Rehard said that unless there was opposition, item 6.C - Approval of Evaluation Report for Elementary School Curriculum and Programs would be moved to the first item since several faculty members were taking part in the presentation and needed to get to other obligations.

A motion was made by Byron Freeman, seconded by Tammy Gibson and passed unanimously to approve the Evaluation Report for Elementary School Curriculum and Programs presented by members of the Elementary Leadership Team.

Assistant Elementary Principal Quinn left the meeting.

Presentations

A POP Art display was located in front of the Board table with additional items on display in the high school library. Ms. Samp, High School Art Teacher, had explained the art in a report submitted to Superintendent Livingston which was shared.

Officer Adam Dawdy and Police Chief Steve Olinger talked to the Board about the drug K2 and other similar synthetic drugs, the availability in the Macon area and how it affects the user. A K2 assembly for high school students has been tentatively set for February 29.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Tammy Gibson, seconded by Danny Orbin and passed unanimously to approve the consent agenda, which consisted of the following:

- A. Approval of January 12, 2012 Public Forum Notes
- B. Approval of January 12, 2012 Calendar Hearing Minutes
- C. Approval of January 12, 2012 Minutes

- D. Approval of Monthly Bills
- E. February Payroll
- F. Approval of Student Activities Expenditures Report
- G. Utilities Comparison Report
- H. Approval of Building Trades Home Request for Bids
- I. Approval of Resolution of Support for Missouri Public Education Vision Project

Superintendent's/Administrators' Report to the Board:

The MSBA monthly video was viewed.

Principal Fanning, CTE Director Claas, Principal Tietsort, and Director of Operations Gingrich all gave reports of activities in their respective buildings and areas. Principal Motley gave his report at the beginning of the meeting. All administrators were pleased with the Professional Development Day which took place February 6, coordinated by the Professional Development Committee.

Assistant Elementary Principal Quinn re-entered the meeting.

A report from the Graduation Speaker Committee, consisting of Jimmie Wilt and John Walker, indicated that there has been a second invitation extended for a 2012 speaker. They do not have a confirmed speaker at this time.

Superintendent Livingston provided a legislative update.

Old Business:

There was no Old Business to report.

New Business:

A motion was made by Tammy Gibson, seconded by Byron Freeman and passed unanimously to approve the Revision to the ESL Plan, prepared and presented by Assistant Elementary Principal Quinn.

A motion was made by Jimmie Wilt, seconded by Danny Orbin and passed unanimously to approve the Evaluation Report for the ESOL/ELL Program, prepared and presented by Assistant Elementary Principal Quinn.

A motion was made by John Walker, seconded by Byron Freeman and passed unanimously to approve the finance reports presented by Superintendent Livingston.

Superintendent Livingston reported that the City of Macon has been providing a School Resource Officer at no cost to the district for the past eight years. Due to budget restraints the City of Macon will no longer be able to fully fund the officer. A motion was made by Tammy Gibson, seconded by Danny Orbin and passed unanimously to add a shared portion of the salary of the School Resource Officer into the budget for the 2012-2013 school year.

Career Center teachers had presented proposals for enhancement grants in the areas of agriculture, business, early childhood, graphic arts, and welding. A motion was made by Jimmie Wilt, seconded by Byron Freeman and passed unanimously to approve the Submission of Enhancement Grant(s) presented by Superintendent Livingston, provided that the district's cost stay within budget allocations to those programs.

A motion was made by Tammy Gibson, seconded by Jimmie Wilt and passed unanimously to approve the Third Reading and Adopt Policy GBH & GBH-AF-Student/Staff Relations and Electronic Communication. The version of Policy GBH recommended by the Policy Committee and approved had been suggested by teachers and presented by Superintendent Livingston.

President Rehard made Board members aware of the opportunity they have to submit a proposed platform statement to MSBA for consideration by its membership at the fall conference in 2012. Forms for proposals are available on line, and more information can be obtained from Delegate Byron Freeman or President Rehard.

A motion was made by Tammy Gibson, seconded by Danny Orbin and passed unanimously to approve the signing of an agreement presented by Director of Operations Gingrich for joining the MSBA Food Buying Consortium with Martin Brothers.

A motion was made by Tammy Gibson, seconded by John Walker and passed unanimously to approve a request from Middle School Science teacher Kayla Swantz to take a group of 7th graders on a one-day orienteering field trip to Long Branch Lake.

Recognition of Students and Staff:

Student accomplishments were recognized in junior varsity and varsity Quiz Bowl, FCCLA Regional STAR Events, and the Missouri Welding Institute competition.

The annual bus inspection had occurred earlier in the month, with 100% of the district's buses passing the inspection.

A list of students qualifying for this year's Academic Letter was shared with the Board with the date for the annual banquet to be announced later.

The Career Center had held their annual sophomore recruitment day earlier in the week and was deemed a success.

Information was shared regarding teachers presenting at the break-out sessions at the in-service day held on February 6. This was the first experience of the district "hosting their own" and had been well received by teachers.

Correspondence/Announcements:

Correspondence was read, and announcements for future events were made.

Future Meeting Dates:

The next regular monthly Board meeting will be held Thursday, March 8, 2012, at 6 p.m. in Conference Room 115.

Due to a conflict of some Board members with the regular monthly date, the April Board meeting will be held on Tuesday April 10, 2012.

Executive Session:

Tammy Gibson moved that the Macon R-1 Board of Education enter into executive session as provided by Missouri Law, Sections 610.021 (3), (6), (13) for the purpose of discussing personnel, specifically employment of certificated and non-certificated personnel. Macon R-1 Board Policy BDC, 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.”; Section 610.021 (6) Scholastic probation, expulsion, or identifiable student records maintained by public educational institutions shall be open for inspection by the parents, guardian or other custodian of students under the age of eighteen years and by the parents, guardian or other custodian and the student if the student is over the age of eighteen years; and Section 610.021 (13) “Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment, except that this exemption shall not apply to the names, positions, salaries and lengths of service of officers and employees of public agencies once they are employed as such, and the names of private sources donating or contributing money to the salary of a chancellor or president at all public colleges and universities in the state of Missouri and the amount of money contributed by the source.” Jimmie Wilt seconded the motion. Those voting yea – Kevin Linear, Tammy Gibson, Danny Orbin, Jimmie Wilt, Byron Freeman, John Walker and James Rehard. Those voting nay – none. Motion passed.

James Rehard, President

Kathryn Smith, Secretary