

**Pattonville School District  
Minutes of a Regular Board of Education Meeting  
November 9, 2004**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Pattonville School District was called to order by President, Patricia J. Bryant, in the Board Room (#201) of the Pattonville Learning Center, 11097 St. Charles Rock Road, St. Ann, Missouri, November 9, 2004, 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call**

**Members Present**

Patricia J. Bryant, President  
Ronald C. Kuschel, Vice President  
Jeffrey M. Fitterling, Secretary  
Randall J. McArthur, Treasurer  
Keith A. Gillming, Director  
Ruth Petrov, Director  
Ralph K. Stahlhut, Director

Dr. Hugh A. Kinney, Superintendent of Schools

- 1. Adoption of Agenda** Ron Kuschel moved that the agenda of the regular and closed session be adopted, as amended. Ralph Stahlhut seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.
- 2. Approval of Minutes** Ruth Petrov moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the minutes of the regular and closed sessions of October 26, 2004. Jeff Fitterling seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.
- 3. Adjournment to Closed Session** Ralph Stahlhut moved that the meeting be adjourned to closed session to record and/or vote for the specific purpose of discussing legal matters. Ron Kuschel seconded the motion. Pat Bryant – aye; Jeff Fitterling – aye; Keith Gillming – aye; Ron Kuschel – aye; Randy McArthur – aye; Ruth Petrov – aye; and Ralph Stahlhut – aye. The motion carried: 7-0.

Time of adjournment – 7:03 p.m.

Ron Kuschel moved that the regular meeting be reconvened. Keith Gillming seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.

Meeting reconvened – 7:30 p.m.
- 4. Calendar of Events** Mickey Schoonover, director of school & community relations, reviewed with the Board events scheduled to take place throughout the District over the next few weeks.

5. **Approval of Regular Bills** Randy McArthur moved that the Board of Education approve payment of regular bills in the total amount of \$942,065.17. Ralph Stahlhut seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.
6. **Approval of Cafeteria** Ron Kuschel moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the payment of cafeteria bills in the total amount of \$98,284.11. Ruth Petrov seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.
7. **Underground Irrigation System Bid Award** Ralph Stahlhut moved that the Board of Education return to the table from the October 26, 2004 Board meeting the Underground Irrigation System Bid Award. Jeff Fitterling seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.
- The original motion was returned to the table, as follows: Keith Gillming moved that the Board of Education award the bid for an Underground Irrigation System at Pattonville High School to Green Turf Irrigation Company in the amount of \$26,900.00. Ralph Stahlhut seconded the motion.
- Jeff Fitterling moved that the motion be amended and that the Board of Education award the bid for an Underground Irrigation System at Pattonville High School to SOS, Inc. (Satellite Outdoor Services, Inc.) in the amount of \$28,000.00. Ruth Petrov seconded the motion. Discussion was held. Ayes: Jeff Fitterling and Ruth Petrov. Nays: Pat Bryant, Keith Gillming, Ron Kuschel, Randy McArthur, and Ralph Stahlhut. The amendment to the motion failed: 2-5.
- Call for the question on the original motion. Ayes: Pat Bryant, Keith Gillming, Ron Kuschel, Randy McArthur, and Ralph Stahlhut. Nays: Jeff Fitterling and Ruth Petrov. The motion carried: 5-2.
8. **Bond Issue Change Orders** Randy McArthur moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the Phase III Bond Issue Change Order Requests in the total amount of \$20,849.17. Ralph Stahlhut seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.
9. **Pre-Construction Services Letter of Agreement** Jeff Fitterling moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the Letter of Agreement between S.M. Wilson and Pattonville School District for limited pre-construction services for the activity center at Pattonville High School for a total fee not to exceed \$12,000.00. Keith Gillming seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.
10. **High School Band Trip** Ruth Petrov moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the request for the high school band to travel to Cincinnati, Ohio for competition, missing two (2) days of school on Thursday, April 21 and Friday, April 22, 2005 at a total cost of \$385.00 per student and that

said cost is the responsibility of the individuals attending. Jeff Fitterling seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.

**11. Varsity Drill Team Trip Amendment**

Ron Kuschel moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the amendment to the high school varsity drill team trip as approved by the Board on August 24, 2004, to include the students attending to miss an additional one-half (1/2) day of school on Friday, February 4, 2005 because of change in departure time initiated by the airline. Ralph Stahlhut seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.

**12. 2005 MSBA Membership Dues**

Randy McArthur moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, payment of membership dues for calendar year 2005 to Missouri School Boards Association in the total amount of \$6,559.00. Ron Kuschel seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.

**13. Consent Grouping for Action – General**

Ralph Stahlhut moved that the Board of Education approve the consent grouping for action for general matters, as presented and as follows:

1. Approve, as lodged for action on October 26, 2004 and as presented, procedure GDBE-R-2 (Support Staff Holidays).

Jeff Fitterling seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.

**14. Consent Grouping for Action – Business**

Ralph Stahlhut moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the consent grouping for action for business, as follows:

1. Award the bid for Pest Exterminating and Rodent Control Services district-wide to McCann Pest Control in the total amount of \$8,520.00.

Randy McArthur seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.

**15. Consent Grouping for Action – Human Resources**

Keith Gillming moved that the Board of Education approve, as presented, the consent grouping for action for human resources, as follows:

- A. Additions to Substitute Printer List
  1. Megan Otto
- B. Addition to Substitute Teacher List
  1. Kerry Simmons
- C. Separation of Support Staff
  1. David Phillips
- D. Employment of Certified Staff
  1. Irina Shirer

Jeff Fitterling seconded the motion. The motion carried: 7-0.

**16. Superintendent's Update**

Dr. Kinney commended students, staff, and administrators on the District's attainment of the Distinction in Performance award for the fourth year in a row. He also announced that the District made AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) this year in accordance with the national *No Child Left Behind* – we are one of only six districts in the county to achieve this recognition, the largest in the state, and we had the largest number of sub-groups (seven). Dr. Kinney stated that in four years the District needs to plan a Staff Development Day on the day of Presidential Election. He commended the students and staff for the smoothness of Election Day. He reported that the Board Focus Groups were excellent. Dr. Kinney thanked Donette Green and Mike Fulton for their presentation on the Faith Communities Working with the Schools seminar last night.

**17. Board Member Comments**

Ron Kuschel announced that he attended the Religious Leaders lunch and the Board Focus Groups. Mr. Kuschel reported on the workshops he attended at the Missouri School Boards Association (MSBA) Fall Conference. Workshops included: Accountability Plans, Building Public Support for Public Schools (commended Mickey Schoonover for her work on the panel), School Improvement Teams, and Police on Board School Buses. Mr. Kuschel said that all in all it was a very good conference even though he found the keynote speakers to be very poor.

Keith Gillming reported he attended the Board Focus Groups and was impressed by how outstanding the high school student participation was in the focus group. He stated he would give his MSBA report at the next meeting.

Jeff Fitterling extended congratulations to the District on its receipt of the Distinction in Performance Award and AYP for the year. He stated he also attended the Board Focus Groups and Religious Leaders Lunch. Mr. Fitterling reported he attended a workshop on Character Education while at MSBA which he found outstanding. He reported on the Delegate Assembly saying much discussion was held regarding the need for a better system to be in place prior to MSBA endorsing candidates in future elections.

Ralph Stahlhut indicated he attended the Board Focus Groups and was pleased to have both former board member Bob Drummond and Kim Fitterling in his group. He said he received many positive comments. He also attended the Religious Leaders lunch, commented on Election Day, and attended construction advisory meeting. Mr. Stahlhut stated he agreed with Mr. Kuschel on his assessment of the speakers at

MSBA. He attended workshops on legal issues, Title IX, and Conflict of Interest.

Ruth Petrov said she enjoyed her first Board Focus Groups and heard lots of discussion as well as received some comments the District can use to improve. She thanked Mr. Stahlhut for the opportunity for her to be in the group he was in. Mrs. Petrov attended the Religious Leaders lunch and also attended the Inter-Faith Conference last night (which she found very informative and stated it was good to see Patrice Rosner again). She stated she attended a workshop on Ranking Teacher Quality and Student Achievement and Alcohol and School Environment. She reminded everyone of Trivia Night at Pattonville High School Friday night to benefit the Senior All Night Graduation Party.

Randy McArthur reported he enjoyed the Religious Leaders Luncheon and Board Focus Groups. He commended Gini Folk, principal at Parkwood, on handling the crowd on Election Day at Parkwood.

Pat Bryant said she enjoyed the Board Focus Groups and was pleased by the number of good ideas received. She attended an Alumni Association meeting, the Religious Leaders luncheon, and the Inter-Faith Conference on Public Education. Mrs. Bryant thanked Donette Green and Mike Fulton for their outstanding representation of the District. She reported on workshops she attended while at the MSBA Fall Conference including: Building Public Support for Public Schools, Update on Teacher Tenure Act, Board Presidents workshop, and a presentation on a Pre-Candidate (Board candidates) Forum.

**18. Adjournment to  
Closed Session**

Keith Gillming moved that the meeting be adjourned to closed session to record and/or vote for the specific purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters. Ron Kuschel seconded the motion. Pat Bryant – aye; Jeff Fitterling – aye; Keith Gillming – aye; Ron Kuschel – aye; Randy McArthur – aye; Ruth Petrov – aye; and Ralph Stahlhut – aye. The motion carried: 7-0.

Time of adjournment – 8:15 p.m.