

**October 10, 2011**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**Chesterfield School Board**  
**Chesterfield School, 5:30 p.m.**

**In attendance:** Ege Cordell, School Board Chair  
Judy Idelkope, School Board Member  
Genienne Hockensmith, School Board Member  
Jamie Card, School Board Member  
Wayne Woolridge, Co-Superintendent of Schools  
Tim Ruehr, Business Administrator for Towns  
Sharyn D'Eon, Principal  
Darlene Dunn, Assistant Principal  
Kathy Brady, Recording Secretary

Also in attendance for all or a portion of the meeting: Wendy Platt, Bruce Platt

Ms. Idelkope moved to enter non-public session to discuss staff/student personnel under the provisions of R.S.A. 91-A:3 at 4:53 p.m. Ms. Hockensmith seconded the motion. All in favor.

Motion to return to public session at 5:32 p.m. All in favor.

1. **Call to Order:** Ege Cordell called meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. Jamie Card led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Celebrations:** Mrs. D'Eon shared a letter she received from an attendee from the Chesterfield Senior Luncheon commending students for thinking of them and visiting. Grades 4 and 8 had good performance on Science NECAP. Ms. Cordell shared the success of KHS homecoming, carrying the theme of "books".
3. **Public Input:** None
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from September 12, 2011 Public and Non Public were accepted as written.
5. **Bills and Manifests:** *Ege Cordell made a motion from Finance Committee to approve checks # 1006832 – 1006904 in the amount of \$256,380.07. Vote taken, 4 – 0, motion passes.*

6. **Financial Report**: Mr. Ruehr shared that the auditors will be attending the board's November meeting. Also stated that the locks project needs to go to committee and will then come to the board with a recommendation.

Mr. Ruehr spoke to the Chesterfield School District General Fund, a current net available balance of \$114,408.00.

Mr. Ruehr presented information on how he calculates the current school year tuition rate. *Judy Idelkope made a motion to accept the 2012- 2013 tuition rate as \$14,863.00, Genienne Hockensmith seconded the motion, vote taken, 4 – 0, motion passes.*

## 7. **Reports**

a. Principal – Mrs. D'Eon presented information the following:

- Current enrollment 295
- Handed out reports on Grade 1/2 Title One schedule and aides scheduling
- Projected enrollment
- Report out on goals
  - Academic Rigor
  - Increase Community Involvement (Lisa Blanchette, Mentor Program)
  - Improve Organizational Efficiency

Mrs. Idelkope had question on use of extra room for behavior issues and time out. Mrs. Idelkope stated that she would like to see “looking into KMS as an option” on the report out for goals. Ms. Cordell feels it would be better and more informative to see the cost of running our own middle school program and an assessment of our own program.

b. Co-Superintendent – Mr. Woolridge reported on the following:

- NCLB and reauthorization – applying for a waiver
- NECAP Growth Model
- State Legislative Committees
- Building Aid Cap
- Vouchers
- Collective Bargaining Units
- Constitutional Amendment – Adequate Education

c. School Board: Mr. Mahoney was not present this evening but sent along a report out on the CPSF dinner. The event was successful but attendance was down about 30 people. Profit would be approximately \$11,000.

The committee had a request that the board look at the procedure manual regarding allergies.

Mrs. Card reported out on activities FOCS have coming up:

- Wiffle Ball Tournament
- Ski Club Meeting
- Owl Walk
- Pumpkin Fest
- Bingo Night
- NHDI – approved – funding made to program and paid in full, parents now need to fundraise to return funds to FOCS for reimbursement

Ege Cordell reported out from the Portables Assessment Committee. Spoke on how the committee looked at options and looked at varying criteria. The recommendation from this committee is to remove the portable classroom units prior to the 2012 – 2013 school year.

Mrs. Idelkope requested that the committee do a presentation to the board

- Did the committee look at selling the used portables – need to see data the show what we can get for them
- Need to know what the plan is to show what will happen to Think Tank and the Spanish Room
- Need to see a report that supports the recommendation given to the board
- Need to check into the “sale of assets”

8. **Public Input II:** None

9. **New Business**

a. Field Trips and Excursions Policy IJOA, 3rd Reading: Typo on Page 3, first paragraph, end of first sentence, should read “students to spend one to three nights away from home.” *Judy Idelkope made a motion to adopt policy IJOA, Genienne Hockensmith seconded the motion, vote taken, 4 – 0, motion passes.*

b. Age of Entrance Requirements Policy JEB, 3rd Reading: *Genienne Hockensmith made a motion top adopt policy JEB, Judy Idelkope seconded the motion, vote taken, 4 – 0, motion passes.*

c. Animals in School Policy, IMG: *Judy Idelkope made a motion to adopt policy IMG, Genienne Hockensmith seconded the motion, vote taken, 4 – 0, motion passes.*

d. Service Animals Policy, IMG: *Judy Idelkope made a motion to accept policy IMG, as revised, Jamie Card seconded the motion, vote taken, 4 – 0, motion passes.*

Ege Cordell questioned whether they need to first form a transportation committee prior to negotiating with First Student . Mr. Woolridge answered that this will be done in the winter. Mrs. Idelkope volunteered to work on this committee with Ege Cordell and Mr. Ruehr.

#### 10. New Business:

a. NHSBA Resolutions: Mr. Woolridge shared with the board that this is their opportunity now to write a resolution for the upcoming delegate assembly.

b. Use of School Buildings and Facilities Policy KF Review: no issue or action to be taken

c. Report out on Optimal Staffing: Mrs. D'Eon reported the following:

- Maintain 17 sections we are currently carrying
- Assistant Principal will be removed
- Aides will at least be maintained at the current level
- Special Education Teachers possibly cut down to 3 from the current 4

Mrs. Idelkope stated that optimal staffing means not only cutting, but adding as well. Could consider having a special education teacher join at a certain grade level.

Discussion ensued on the one level (Kindergarten) moving up through the building and how that effects related services. Need to check with Catherine Woods to see how this will possible relate to cuts in these services.

Mrs. D'Eon says she will continue to report out monthly on this issue.

d. FOCS Gift Acceptance (NHDI funding): Mrs. D'Eon presented a gift from FOCS of \$2700 to fund the NHDI year long program.

Genienne Hockensmith made a motion to accept the gift for NHDI for \$2700, Mrs. Idelkope seconded the motion, vote taken, 4 – 0, motion passes.

Mrs. Idelkope will write the thank you note to FOCS for their gift.

e. Other: None

11. Future Agendas:

- Auditors
- Lock Project
- Portables Report out
- Sales of Assets – Tim Ruehr
- Gifted and Talented

12. Non-Public Session – R.S.A. 91-A:3

Ms. Idelkope moved to enter non-public session to discuss staff/student personnel/negotiations under the provisions of R.S.A. 91-A:3 at 7:59 p.m. Ms. Card seconded the motion. All in favor. Accompanying the Board were Ms. D'Eon, Ms. Dunn and Mr. Woolridge.

A motion was made for the board to move out of non-public session at 9:03 p.m. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Brady  
Recording Secretary

APPROVED: 11/14/11