

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF REORGANIZED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4
BLUE SPRINGS, JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

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The Board of Education of the Reorganized School District No. 4, County of Jackson, State of Missouri, met in regular session at 6:15 p.m., May 10, 2010, in the Professional Learning Center of the Gale T. Bartow Administrative Service Center.

Present: Mr. Bradford, Mrs. Gilstrap, Mr. Walkup, Mr. Coen, Mr. Wright, Mr. Falck, and Mrs. Casey
Absent: None

No. 79 Dale Falck moved to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda as presented:

- a. minutes of the regular board meeting of April 19, 2010
minutes of the closed session meeting of April 19, 2010
- b. check register for May 2010, and assigned payroll warrants P48 through P51, payable when due
- c. certified personnel items as follows:
 1. retirement resignations effective at the end of the 2009-10 school year of:

Barbara Basinger – James Walker Elementary
Debra Fritts – Daniel Young Elementary
Jerome (Jerry) Leeper – Moreland Ridge Middle School
 2. resignation effective at the end of the 2009-10 school year of:

Stephanie Griesinger – Sunny Vale Middle School
 3. leave of absence for the 2010-11 school year for:

Jessica Sharkey – Sunny Pointe Elementary
 4. employment for the 2010-11 school year for the following certified staff:

Hillary Adams – Bachelor Degree, William Jewell College,
no experience, A Level, To Be Decided, Elementary Level
- d. Career Ladder Payment for 2009-10 school year as presented at the May 3, 2010 board worksession (copy of payment recipients attached to these minutes)
- e. the following bids as indicated on the attached tabulations:
 1. Asphalt Maintenance & Repair – District
 2. Fiber Installation – New Transportation Site

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f. the following board representative committee appointments:

- District Insurance Committee – *Dale Walkup & Dale Falck*
(*Dave Wright – Alternate*)
- Blueprint Blue Springs Committee – *Kent Bradford & Dave Wright*
(*Jim Coen-Alternate*)
- District Extra Duty Committee – *Rhonda Gilstrap & Jennifer Casey*
(*Dale Walkup – Alternate*)
- Blue Springs School of Economics Board – *Jennifer Casey*
(*Kent Bradford – Alternate*)
- Tax Increment Financing Commissions
 - Blue Springs Commission – *Dave Wright*
(*Jennifer Casey-Alternate*)
 - Lee's Summit Commission – *Kent Bradford*
(*Dale Falck-Alternate*)
 - Independence Commission – *Dale Falck*
(*Kent Bradford-Alternate*)
- District Calendar Committee – *Dale Walkup & Jim Coen*
(*Dale Falck-Alternate*)
- MSBA Assembly Delegates – *Jennifer Casey & Jim Coen*
(*Rhonda Gilstrap-1st Alternate*) & *Dale Falck-2nd Alternate*)
- Health Services Committee – *Rhonda Gilstrap & Dale Walkup*
- Technology Planning Committee – *Dale Falck & Dave Wright*
(*Kent Bradford - Alternate*)
- CSDGKC Liaison – *Jim Coen (Rhonda Gilstrap-Alternate)*

Dale Walkup seconded the motion, which carried unanimously in favor.

No. 80 Dave Wright moved to adopt the regular agenda as presented. James Coen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously in favor.

Leslie Evans announced that Jan Oetting, counselor at John Nowlin Elementary, had been selected as the May "Employee of the Month." Mrs. Oetting was introduced and Mrs. Evans outlined some of the reasons Mrs. Oetting was selected for this honor. Jan's daughter, Carrie; her principal, Debbie Curtis; and many of her co-workers were also in attendance. President Bradford presented a plaque and gift bag to Mrs. Oetting in recognition of her selection as "Employee of the Month."

Jan Oetting said, "I am overwhelmed, this is probably the most wonderful honor that anyone could ever, ever have. I work with a wonderful faculty at John Nowlin and I cannot tell you what a dedicated, wonderful group of people they are. I also have the most fantastic boss, Debbie Curtis. She is like the captain of our ship. I thank my staff, I thank my school, I thank my principal and I thank my daughter for making me a grandma. I am always so proud when people ask me where I work and I can tell them I work for the Blue Springs School District. It is a wonderful district and I thank you for every day that I have the opportunity to work here. Thank you."

Scott Young introduced Monica Meeks, Executive Director with Standup Blue Springs Committee and President Bradford presented her with a plaque to recognize the committee for their work with the Dental for Kids Program.

Mrs. Meeks thanked the board for the recognition, Trish Johnson, Program Coordinator for Dental for Kids; and the Standup Blue Springs governing board and gave an overview of the Dental for Kids Program.

Jim Finley introduced Blue Springs South High School Principal, Randy Dowell, for the presentation of the Program Highlight, Blue Springs South Reading Initiative. He presented a portion of a DVD that was developed by Assistant Principal, Kirsten Clemons for teachers to use in teaching the students to read and comprehend the lessons.

MSBA Update was presented.

Jim Finley presented a legislative update.

No. 81 Rhonda Gilstrap moved not to sign the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Race to the Top Memorandum of Understanding. Dave Wright seconded the motion which carried unanimously in favor.

No. 82 James Coen moved to approve the following student trip requests:

One Blue Springs High School student and FFA Advisor & Ag Instructor – Washington Leadership Conference – Washington, DC – June 8-13, 2010

Six students divided between BSHS and BSSHs – Missouri Public Speaking Academy – University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg – June 8-10, 2010

BSHS & BSSHs AFJROTC students – KC Metro AFJROTC Summer Leadership School – Whiteman Air Force Base/University of Central Missouri – June 14-18, 2010

Rhonda Gilstrap seconded the motion, which carried with six Yea votes and Mr. Walkup abstaining.

No. 83 Dave Wright moved that the Board of Education of Reorganized School District No. 4 conduct a closed session, pursuant to § 610.021 (1) (2) (3) & (6) RSMo and § 610.022 RSMo., including any record or vote, immediately following the public session which was held at 6:15 p.m. on May 10, 2010 in the Executive Board Room of the Gale T. Bartow Administrative Service Center, 1801 NW Vesper, Blue Springs, Missouri, for the purpose of considering:

legal actions involving the district
leasing, purchase or sale of real estate
hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting employees
scholastic probation, expulsion, or graduation of identifiable individuals

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James Coen seconded the motion which carried with a vote as follows:

Mr. Bradford	Yea	Mr. Wright	Yea
Mrs. Gilstrap	Yea	Mr. Falck	Yea
Mrs. Walkup	Yea	Mrs. Casey	Yea
Mr. Coen	Yea		

The public meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m. The closed session convened at 7:16 p.m. with President Bradford presiding.

The executive session adjourned, with action taken recorded as closed record/closed vote.

The open session resumed at 8:16 p.m.

Having no further business, the open session adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Carol Richardson, Secretary
Blue Springs R-IV Board of Education

Kent Bradford, President
Blue Springs R-IV Board of Education