

Spotlight on the Board

Notes from the District 15 School Board Meetings

May 14th, 2008

Spotlight on the Board is a synopsis of notes and recordings taken at the District 15 School Board meetings by Frank C. Whiteley PTA's school board liaison, Jennifer Mondy. They are meant to help parents and staff who are unable to attend the Board meetings on a regular basis to keep informed about the issues and plans affecting the district. These Notes are not endorsed by District 15 or the Board of Education. Below are the highlights from the May 14th Regular meeting.

Appointment of Superintendent of Schools

The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Dr. Daniel W. Lukich as District 15 Superintendent effective July 1st, 2008.

Citizens Address the Board

Three citizens expressed concern over building issues at Paddock School that included a leaking roof and poor indoor air quality as well as their desire for prioritization. Seven parents from the Autism SIP class at Marion Jordan relayed to the Board in detail their dissatisfaction of the program and asked for an immediate response from the district.

Facility/Architectural/Real Estate Committee

A Facilities Audit report will be presented at the June 11th Board meeting. The architects are requesting Board direction before the final report is completed in September. Several members commented that the full audit report should be provided to the entire Board, without committee screening, to ensure that everyone has all of the information.

Transportation Performance Benchmarks

Proposed performance benchmarks were tabled until the new transportation director and business manager are in place to offer their input. Board members generally agreed that benchmarks should be created as soon as possible in order to have transparency and accountability for the district's transportation service. The superintendent suggested incorporating benchmarks into the detailed transportation study expected at the November meeting.

Capital Projects to be considered for the 2008/2009 Budget

This item was removed from the agenda and will be brought forward at the June meeting. A combined Finance/Facilities committee met twice to review the budget with \$2M in capital improvements and a new five-year capital expenditure plan.

Full detailed notes for this meeting and all past meetings can be found at www.fcwpta.org/board_notes.htm
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