

MINUTES 09-13
CITY OF MADISON BOARD OF EDUCATION
June 11, 2009

Mr. Ray White, president, called the meeting of the City of Madison Board of Education to order at 5:05 PM in the board room at Central Office.

I. ROLL CALL

Roll call of the School Board was recorded as follows:

Place No. 1	Mrs. Connie Spears	Present
Place No. 2	Mr. Ray White	Present
Place No. 3	Mrs. Sue Helms	Present
Place No. 4	Dr. Terri Johnson	Present
Place No. 5	Mr. Phil Schmidt	Present

Also present were Dr. Dee Fowler, Superintendent, Mr. Woody Sanderson, School Board Attorney, and Mrs. LaTisha King, Recording Secretary.

II. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Ray White asked for nominations for the office of vice president of the school board. Mr. Phil Schmidt nominated Mrs. Sue Helms as vice president of the school board. Mr. White asked for a motion to close nominations for the office of vice president of the school board. Mr. Phil Schmidt moved to close nominations and approve Mrs. Sue Helms as vice president of the school board. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

III. PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. Linda Faulk, Special Education Coordinator, introduced Mrs. Janet Richards, special education teacher at Mill Creek, who received a check from the Knights of Columbus. The check was given to purchase special education equipment for Mill Creek Elementary School.

Mr. David Smith, school system financial consultant, introduced members of the Blue Ribbon Finance Committee. The committee was established to provide an independent and objective review of the finances of the school system. They also were charged with the task of determining the best solution to deal with the school system's ever-increasing student population. The committee determined that a second high school is needed in the school system. The second high school could be financially supported through an increase in property taxes.

Mr. Jerry Mercer, independent auditor with Mercer and Associates, presented an audit report of the school system's finances. Mr. Mercer did not find anything to report. He stated that the Finance Department has done a great job.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Several students and parents voiced their concerns over the non-renewal of a teacher at Liberty Middle School. The parents asked that the Board consider reinstating the teacher's contract.

V. ACTION ITEMS

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the consent agenda items, with the removal of the Lawn Maintenance Bid as a consent agenda item. Mrs. Connie Spears asked that the minutes be removed from the consent agenda and acted upon separately. Mrs. Sue Helms moved to approve the following consent agenda items: (a) Renewal of Bid #2007-04, Bus Maintenance from FirstGroup America (Laidlaw) for a total bid price of \$59.66 per route per day (This price includes the maintenance of the Board's white fleet as well as unlimited extracurricular miles). The second year option will be in effect from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010; (b) Renewal of Bid #2007-16, Termite Control, from Terminix as outlined in the bid tab sheet. The third year option will be in effect from June 14, 2009 through June 13, 2010; (c) Renewal of Bid #2007-18, Copiers, from Berney Office Solutions (formerly known as N&L Copiers) for a renewal cost of \$.0130 per copy for Option B and E. The third year option will be in effect from June 23, 2009 through June 22, 2010; (d) BID # 2009-13, Small Wares Lunchroom at Mill Creek Elementary, from Bresco, Inc., who presented the low responsive/responsible bid meeting specifications with a total bid price of \$16,834.60; (e) Bid # 2009-15, NEXT Classroom Additions for Mill Creek Elementary, from Quantum, who presented the low responsive/responsible bid meeting specifications with a total bid price of \$48,984 for Networked Projector. Southern Business Communications, who presented the low responsive/responsible bid meeting specifications with a total bid price of \$104,156 for SoundField Systems, Digital Presenters, and Installation; and (f) a supplement for drama teachers at Bob Jones High School as outlined in the attached sheet. Mr. Phil Schmidt seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the minutes for the meeting held on May 19, 2009. Dr. Terri Johnson moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Phil Schmidt seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 4-0, with one abstention (Mrs. Connie Spears).

Dr. Fowler recommended that he be authorized to execute a right-of-way deed to the City of Madison of approximately 0.53 acres as described in a legal description provided by the City for purposes of a right-of-way for a proposed Balch Road extension. Mrs. Sue Helms recommended approval of the recommendation. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of Budget Amendment #2 for the Madison City Schools. Mr. Phil Schmidt moved to approve the recommendation. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the April Financial Statements. Dr. Terri Johnson moved to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Sue Helms seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of employee step increases for the 2009-2010 school year. Mr. John Jones answered question from the Board regarding the step increases. Mrs. Connie Spears moved to approve the recommendation. Mrs. Sue Helms seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Dr. Fowler recommended approval of the personnel action items presented at the meeting. The Board agreed to approve the personnel action items as a group. Mrs. Sue Helms moved to approve the recommendation. Dr. Terri Johnson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

Mr. White presented the superintendent's evaluation to the Board and public. Dr. Fowler also presented an update on his goals to the Board and public. After a lengthy discussion, the Board agreed that the superintendent had met 90% of his goals. Mrs. Sue Helms recommended that the superintendent receive \$9,500 (90% of \$10,000, his performance incentive; and \$500 for additional items he has completed as superintendent). Mrs. Connie Spears seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

There were no comments made by the superintendent at this meeting.


VII. BOARD COMMENTS

There were no comments made by school board members at this meeting.

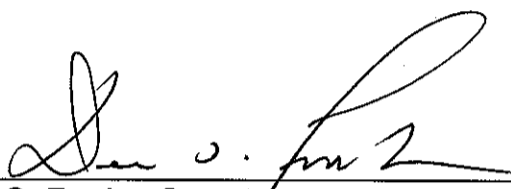
VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. White called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Phil Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Sue Helms seconded the motion.

The motion was approved 5-0.



Ray White, President



Dee O. Fowler, Secretary



LaTisha L. King, Recording Secretary