

# **Board Report**

## **December 16, 2016**

The Board of education met in regular session last night in the district offices. Board filings opened Tuesday for the April election. Filings to date include: Jeff Smethers, Greg Baker, Craig Wescott, Angie Smith and Carolyn Boss. Three will be elected to serve three-year terms. Terms will expire for Teresa Givens, Jeff Smethers and Craig Wescott.

### **Administrative Reports**

The Teacher Minute was presented by Buchanan Elementary. The presentation, featuring the students, focused on leadership. Student council representatives provided an update on building activities. Dr. Swofford reported on the following items: legislative updates; community focus group meetings were held in November; and a review of the tentative calendar for the 2017-2018 school year. Dr. Swofford announced that some of our custodians achieved MSPMA certification. Those staff members are: Greg Bolin, John Estes, Jeff Gaar, Shaun Dillon, Chris Neary, Rick Straub and Dee Gordon. Dr. Worley announced that the preschool program received a site visit from the DESE Early Learning Department in November.

### **Old Business**

The board approved a renewal of the property casualty insurance policy.

### **New Business**

Mr. Harris announced that Ashlea Large will be the district nominee for the John T. Belcher Scholarship as provided through MSBA. The scholarship recipient will be announced next spring.

### **Closed Session**

The board accepted resignations from the following: Lavene Kline, JH SPED (retirement); Sandi Attaway, CRI grade four (retirement); Art Daniels, HS science (retirement); David Burke, AFJROTC (retirement); Dan Henderson, HS P.E. and head football coach (retirement); Renee Shoe, CRP daycare; John Maloney, CRE cafeteria; Wynona Wright, CRE para; Gene Davidson, JH custodian (retirement); and Kaitlyn Haynes, CRP para. The board considered and approved the following for employment: Stephanie Upton, CRP interpreter; Morgan Emerich, CRP para; Laura Levesque, CRE para; and Cheryl Goss, CRP cafeteria. The board approved the substitute list for December.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board of education is **Thursday, January 19** at **6:30 p.m.** in the district offices.