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MINUTES
SPECIAL WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
CAPE GIRARDEAU SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 63
Monday, June 28, 2010 – 5:00 p.m.
Board of Education Office
301 N. Clark St.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Paul Nenninger, President, Mr. Luther Bonds, Vice-President, Mr. Don Call, Ms. Stacy Kinder, Mr. Kyle McDonald, Mr. Philip Moore and Mr. Tony Smee.

Others Present:

Dr. James Welker, Superintendent, Ms. Beth Poyner, Board Secretary, Ms. Pat Fanger, Asst. Superintendent, Ms. Misty Clifton, CFO, Mr. Neil Glass, Dir. of Administrative Services, Ms. Theresa Hinkebein, Curriculum Coord., Alaina Busch, Southeast Missourian, Lesa Hinton, Nancy Jernigan, John McGowan, Ms. Sharon Call, Ms. Chris Lacey and daughter.

A quorum being present and due notice having been mailed and published, the special session of the Board of Education of Cape Girardeau School District No. 63 was called to order on Monday, June 28, 2010 at 5:03 p.m. by President, Paul Nenninger.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Smee and seconded by Mr. Moore to approve the agenda. The motion carried with seven yeas and zero nays.

Board Candidate Oath of Office

Ms. Poyner administered the Oath of Office to new Board member, Mr. Don Call. Mr. Nenninger welcomed Mr. Call as an official member of the Board.

Presentation on Educational Solutions Committee Initiatives by Nancy Jernigan, United Way

Mr. John McGowan, also with United Way, was present along with Ms. Jernigan. Ms. Jernigan reviewed the three pillars of United Way: education, income and health. Ms. Jernigan explained that the Education Solutions Team has chosen to focus on the graduation rate which has a great economic impact on the community. She presented Board members with the model for change that the Education Solutions Team created. Ms. Jernigan explained that United Way would like to fund additional parent liaisons and a social worker/case manager for the district. Ms. Jernigan and Mr. McGowan noted that they would like the School Boards support with these endeavors.

Mr. Nenninger said the Board would need a memorandum of understanding to approve and Dr. Welker said that he would get the additional information to present to the Board.

Discussion of Nonresident Tuition

Mr. Nenninger noted that Mr. Smee had requested the topic of nonresident tuition to be placed on the agenda and asked him to lead the discussion. Mr. Smee said that he was concerned with the wording in policy JECB concerning the admission of nonresident students which reads, “Board may allow” (nonresident students to attend). Mr. Smee stated concerns that individuals have asked to come to our district, but have been turned down. He feels that if parents are willing to pay the tuition to attend, they should be allowed to do so.

Dr. Welker explained that the general practice in the area is to not allow non-resident students from neighboring districts to attend. When districts accept non-resident students, they cannot discriminate. If you accept one, you have to accept them all. In addition there are issues with MSHSAA rules and the fact that this is a courtesy agreement among districts in the area that has been in practice for a long time.

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Mr. Smee commented that we need to close the loop hole in the policy, if we are not going to accept non-resident students. He said that he would contact MSBA to see if they have suggestions for better wording of policy JECB to possibly update the policy.

Adjournment

At 6:00 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Smee and seconded by Ms. Kinder to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with a vote of seven yeas and zero nays.

Paul L. Nenninger, Board President

Beth Poyner, Board Secretary