

THE SIMPSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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The Simpson County Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, November 19, 2009, with all members present. The following business was transacted.

1. Mr. James Flynn, Superintendent made welcome announcements-Congratulations went to the FFA Sales Team for placing 5th in the nation at the National FFA Convention, Mariah Rowland for 6th place overall individually, the FSHS choir (Ethan Mefford, Aaron Talley and Dee Walker) were selected for All-State Choir, Abby Harper and Kyre Phillips were named CTC “Students of the Month”, Rachel Reetzke was crowned 2009 WKU Homecoming Queen, Senior Kalie Gipson won a \$500 scholarship to WKU for the “On the Spot Speech Writing Contest”, Senior Sabrina Ferreri signed with Lipscomb University to play golf, the Wildcats football team made it to Round 2 region playoffs, our soccer team for a great season and our cross country team for competing at the State championships. Other announcements included FSHS CTE and LES Leadership students volunteered with Habitat for Humanity on the construction of 2 new homes for local families, the first meeting of the newly formed “Superintendent’s Student Advisory Committee” was held this week and FSHS and FS Community Arts Council will stage “Dracula” at the Goodnight Auditorium Dec. 4th and 5th @ 7:30pm each night.
2. Chairperson David Webster called the meeting to order and the agenda was approved.
3. Presentations on Native American culture were given by students of Simpson Elementary.
4. Visitor’s Comments: Two members of the new Superintendent’s Student Advisory Committee (Juanito Alonso and Zach Ezell) spoke about communication skills they learned at their first meeting which they will use to make a list of student concerns and work on those at the next meeting in December. Mr. Flynn added that the SSAC will be presenting reports to the Board at each meeting.
5. Mr. Laney White, Holland CPAs gave an overview of the 2008-2009 audit report. He noted that the “schools overall did a good job”. It was also noted that we are in the bottom 5% of Kentucky School Districts in revenue per pupil. Even with the decrease in revenues, we have been able to maintain services and programs for students. However, if economic conditions do not improve, this will not be possible in the long-term. The main causes of decreased revenues are lower general fund revenues from state and local taxes.
6. Superintendent and Staff Reports included: Monthly Attendance report, Dropout report, Monthly Staff Attendance report, final ASSIST Team report, ODT student trips, basketball schedule, ODT Administrative travel, report on October and November Learning Community days, report on State Assessment, review of needs assessment process for 2010-2011 budget cycle and the monthly food service report. Mr. Flynn also presented a formal request to KDE for funding considerations through special construction/renovation programs to help with the HS Gym/Wellness Center project and an investment report.
8. The following personnel report was submitted. Employment was reported for 2 classified and 2 certified substitutes. 1 employee resigned. 2 classified employees returned from FMLA.
9. The following consent items were approved:
 - Approve minutes of previous meetings
 - Approve Monthly Financial report
 - Approve payments of bills, salaries and regular accounts
 - Approve FMLA for Two Classified Employees

- **Approve Volunteers and Paraprofessionals**
- **Approve Appeals Committee Members**
- **Approve Memorandum of Understanding between BRDHD and Simpson Co. BOE in Regard to Mass Treatment, or Vaccination or Prophylaxis Clinics**
- **Approve Non-Resident Contracts with surrounding school districts**
- **Approve Admissions and Release Chairpersons for 09-10**
- **Approve Fundraising Request – LES – Washington, D.C. Trip**
- **Approve November fuel bid**
- **Approve Fall Break for the 2010-2011 school year (October 4-8, 2010)**
- **Approve Surplus List**
- **Request to approve FSEEF Grant for FSMS Gifted and Talented Art Program – Supplies**

10. **School Facilities Construction Commission KETS Offer of Assistance was approved.**
11. **Resolution of Opposition to Proposed State Capture of District Contingency Funds was approved.**
12. **2008-2009 Audit Report was approved.**
13. **Investment Collateralization Form with Citizens First Bank was approved.**
14. **Mr. Lee Higginbotham formally tendered his resignation as Board member, due to a change in employment and residence.**
14. **The Board formally adjourned.**

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