

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Betty Poindexter, Interim Superintendent

February 11, 2015

Celebrating the Joy of Learning

Barb Bergdoll presented information on the Preschool Program. The program is crucial for increasing readiness skills for students so that they enter kindergarten ready for success. Also presented was information on the preschool evaluation process and services that are provided to students. Click [HERE](#) to view the preschool video. The preschool program also has a Pinterest page where ideas are shared from preschool teachers. Click the icon



Action Items

The Board approved several action items. These include:

- 2015-16 Calendar
- Permission to publish notice to bidders for the sale of Garrison
- Permission to advertise for the RFP for demolition of Garrison
- Technology computer purchase, which uses technology bond funds to purchase approximately 390 laptop devices for the high school English classes

Upcoming Meetings and Events

- The Finance Committee will now meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Administration Building. These meetings are open to the public.
- The next regular meeting of the Board will take place on February 25, 2015
- The Board will meet in executive session with the University Search Team on March 4th.

Public Commentary

REA President, Kelley McDermott, spoke to encourage the public to contact our elected officials to reject any attempts at defunding public schools, but instead fully support the public school system. In addition, she requested immediate action to make sure citizen voices were heard. Click [HERE](#) to view our elected officials and their contact information.

Superintendent Search Update

An update was given regarding the superintendent search. The online survey was closed on Friday. The survey results will be reviewed and presented to the Board. The Board will meet with the University Search Team on March 4th to prepare for the interview process. Last, student forums are currently being conducted.

Work Session

During the work session, the Board continued the discussion to establish criteria to evaluate transportation needs for students. The Board spoke on the transportation policy and their top priorities. Those include: safety of students, being efficient, and to communicate expectations to parents and administration. This will be an ongoing conversation. More information regarding costs will be brought to the Board.