

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Allen Bourff, Superintendent

April 25, 2012

MASTER PLAN

Elizabeth Starr Academy Parking Lot Bids: Approval of awarding the Elizabeth Starr Academy Parking Lot bid to Byrco, Inc. of Liberty, Indiana at their low bid price of \$92,535 meeting bid specifications and subject to the execution of a final written contract mutually approved by the contractor and RCS.

Hibberd Project Rebids: Approval of the recommendation that the Hibberd Building Project bids be awarded to the lowest most responsive bidders for base bids as follows for a grand total of \$189,750 and subject to the execution of a final written contract mutually approved by the contractor and RCS.

- Floor Covering Georgia Direct \$165,750
- Aluminum Entrance Catron's Glass \$24,000 and Windows

Frequently Asked Questions: Aleasia Stewart stated that creative arts teachers will be notified of their placement on April 26, 2012. Mr. Coddington is responding to questions from staff as they are received regarding the moving process. The libraries will be moved by an outside service. The next lottery will be held in late July or early August and another lottery may be held after school begins. There was discussion on the possible need to adjust the transfer policy in the future.

CONSENT ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: Approval of April 11, 2012 Minutes.

Human Resources: Approval of Employment, Retirement, Resignations, Separation of Service and Administrative Leave.

Accounts Payable: Approval of the April 2012 Accounts Payable Voucher Register and Payroll Claim Listings for March and April 2012 for a grand total of \$3,438,125.79.

Corporation Sponsored Travel: Approval for the Richmond High School Orchestra members to travel to Orlando, Florida from April 1 to April 6, 2013 to perform in Downtown Disney.

Corporation Sponsored Travel: Approval of a possible overnight trip for the Richmond High School Science, Fine Arts, and Interdisciplinary Academic Teams. These three teams qualified for the Indiana Academic Super Bowl State Finals to be held at Purdue University on Saturday, May 5, 2012.

Filing of Reports—High Ability: Approval to accept and file the High Ability Report.

REPORTS

Quarterly Financial Report: Bob Coddington summarized that revenue decreased \$186,000 because of loss of state funding due to 78 less students, special education reduction, and other issues. Expenditures increased 1,000,000 due to three pays in March 2011 and other timing issues.

Communication Audit: Bridget Hazelbaker gave an update on the Richmond Community Schools Communication Plan for 2010-2012. Projects included in the plan are:

- Consistent Branding of Richmond Community Schools
- Increase Student Enrollment
- Create a Positive Environment Focused on the Community We Serve
- Create and Implement Communication Kits that Welcome Parents, Staff and Students in the School
- Strengthen Connections with Residents of Richmond

ACTION ITEMS

Donations: Acceptance of \$1,413.56 in donations.

181 Day Calendar Approval: Approval of all incoming 9th grade students to attend their first required day of school on Monday, August 13, 2012 and for them to have a 181 school day calendar. Dr. Bourff stated that at this time the recommendation is for only the 9th grade students. The 5th and 6th grade extra student day is being reviewed.

SmartBoard Bids: Approval of the SmartBoard bid to be awarded to SmartED Services at their low bid price of \$185,004.41 meeting bid specifications.

SNAPSHOTS OF SUCCESS

Celebrate RHS Event: Rae Woolpy, Kris Lopresti, and Kate Hogg presented information regarding the Celebrate RHS and Open House events scheduled for Tuesday, May 1, 2012. Author of the Freedom Writers Diary, Erin Gruwell, will be the guest speaker at Civic Hall on May 1st at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Gruwell will also take part in other school and community events on May 2nd.

National Autism Awareness Month: Vicki Sayne, RCS Autism Team Coordinator, presented information on statistics, accomplishments, and plans to assist students with the upcoming transitions for the 2012-2013 school year.

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