

# BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Allen Bourff, Superintendent

January 25, 2012

## MASTER PLANNING

Project Manager Consulting Agreement: Approval of the Consulting Agreement for services provided by Ron Maze for the oversight of facility upgrades required to implement the RCS Master Plan.

Attendance Areas: Ron Maze shared the first draft of maps for attendance areas for the 2012-2013 school year. The maps were based on geographical data. Mr. Maze discussed building capacities, the use of portable classrooms, dates for action and approval items at future Board meetings and other topics. There was discussion on other factors to consider in establishing attendance areas including determining the reasons why students transfer to schools outside their attendance area.

There was also discussion on Elizabeth Starr Academy, students who walk to school, providing flexibility, spring enrollment, policies, equity for transfer students, input from stakeholders, addressing Charles Elementary's capacity so that portables are not needed and other topics.

Dr. Bourff recommended that the next steps be to review policies and guidelines that impact enrollment and registration and to continue the discussion on attendance areas at a future work session. A determination on the attendance areas by the end of February will assist with staffing assignments.

Dr. Bourff stated that the Board has discussed the importance of parental choice and that there have been two levels of choices. The first level is that the Master Plan has given parents the opportunity to choose RCS. The second level is the opportunity to select from programs within RCS.

Planning Update: Mr. Coddington presented a timeline for the first stage of the appropriation of funds to support the master plan. The total project appropriations required for the master plan was reviewed. When the project is completed there will be cash reserves of \$1,436,000 in the Capital Projects Fund and \$4,179,000 in the Rainy Day Fund.

## REPORTS

Monthly and Year End Financial Report: Bob Coddington summarized that revenue increased \$55,000 and that expenditures increased \$174,000. Mr. Coddington reviewed the Cash Flow and Income and Expense Analysis.

Year End Review of Employee Health Trust: Aleasia Stewart and Barb Pennington presented information on the RCS Employee Benefit Trust including the structure, funding, and cost of the plan.

## ACTION ITEMS

Donations: Acceptance of \$12,364.81 in donations.

Temporary Transfers: Approval of the Request for Temporary Transfers to Depleted Funds for Debt Service, General Fund, and Pension Bond Fund.

Budget Appropriation Transfers: Approval of the Resolution for the 2011 Budget Appropriation Transfers in the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Transportation Operating Fund.

Form 9 Biannual Financial Report: Approval of the Form 9 Biannual Financial Report as presented.

Organization as Board of Finance and Investment Summary Report: The Board affirmed themselves as the Board of Finance and reviewed the Investment Summary Report and Investment Income Policy.

Third Grade Summer Reading Academy: Approval of the Third Grade Summer Reading Academy RFP.

## CONSENT ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: Approval of January 9, 2012 and January 11, 2012 Minutes.

Human Resources: Approval of Employment, Retirement, and Resignation.

Accounts Payable: Approval of the Accounts Payable Voucher Register and Payroll Claim Listing for January 2012 for a grand total of \$1,914,914.25.

Common Wage Committee: Approval of the following to serve on the Common Wage Committee: Mr. Ron Maze to represent industry and Mr. James Daugherty and Mr. Charles Hilton to represent the taxpayer.

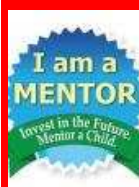
Corporation Sponsored Travel: Approval for the Devilette Winter Guard to travel to Holland, Ohio from February 18 to 19, 2012 to participate in a competition.

Filing of Reports: Approval of the recommendation to approve and file the Exceptional Needs Special Education Report and the Athletics Report.

## SNAPSHOTS OF SUCCESS

RHS Football Coach: Chad Bolser introduced the new RHS Head Football Coach, Matt Holeva.

ISBA Awards: Dr. Bourff presented Certification Award Points pins from the Indiana School Board Association to Kelly Baumgartner and Pat Heiny for participating in professional development opportunities.



National Mentoring Month: The Board approved the Resolution in Honor of National Mentoring Month. Bridget Hazelbaker provided information regarding the Mentoring Program and opportunities available for new mentors.