

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Allen Bourff, Superintendent

March 14, 2012

MASTER PLANNING

Request for Permission to Advertise for Bids: Permission to publish the required Notice to Taxpayers for the bidding of the Hibberd, Dennis, Crestdale, the Elizabeth Starr Academy construction projects and the Food Services bids was granted.

Policy 5113.01: Approval to move Policy 5113.01 Non-Resident Student Transfers to a Second Reading and Adoption.

Policy 8600: Approval to move Policy 8600 Transportation to a Second Reading and Adoption with the addition of information regarding elementary students under the Students Eligible for Transportation section.

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Questions recently received include the availability of creative arts for the programs at the Hibberd Building and the referral process for the youth education services at the Baxter building. Creative arts will be available at the Hibberd building. There will be two programs at the Baxter building. The Alternative Education piece is in the design stage and there are no changes to the special education piece. Frequently Asked Questions information can be found on the RCS website.
- The placement of Title I, special education, fifth and sixth grades, Logos, Early College Program, and Life Skills teachers will be made early next week. Teachers in the primary buildings will meet on March 21st and have the opportunity to select three choices for placement. Request for placements will be made to the degree possible.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held on the Additional Appropriations for the Rainy Day Fund and Capital Projects Fund. There were no comments from the public.

ACTION ITEMS

Additional Appropriations: Approval of the Resolution for Additional Appropriations to the Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$1,541,640.00 and to the Rainy Day Fund in the amount of \$1,900,000.00.

SNAPSHOTS OF SUCCESS

Recognition of the Cast of *Oklahoma*: The cast of the Richmond High School Red Devil Players production, *Oklahoma*, was recognized for their outstanding performance at McGuire Hall on February 25 and 26, 2012. The cast performed a song from the musical.

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WORK SESSION

Summer School Plan: Mark Millis shared the following information on the 2012 Summer School Plan:

K-6 Elementary Program:

- Dates: June 11 to July 6. The schedule is built around the third grade schedule and I-READ 3. All elementary grades will follow this schedule in order to be consistent.
- Location: K-3 grade students will attend C. R. Richardson and the site for the 4-6 grade students has not yet been determined but will be either the Boys & Girls Club Jeffers Unit or C. R. Richardson.
- Times: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with breakfast and lunch served outside instructional day.
- Goals: Provide instruction that is standards-based and rigorous, but will be enjoyable to students. There will be a focus on non-fiction reading and comprehension. Teachers will develop course proposals and provide innovation, similar to last summer. The focus in K-3 will be mastering current reading standards and grades 4-6 will include math standards coverage as well. Field trips that match the topics and standards will be provided. Students who attend will have their growth charted with a pre-assessment and post-assessment in DIBELS (K-2) and/or Pearson assessments.

7-8 Middle School: Earlham has offered to partner with RCS once again for the middle school summer instruction. It will last for two weeks and Earlham students working on a master's degree will be the instructors.

High School: Core curriculum courses will be offered for high school students. There will also be credit recovery opportunities, as well as new online course opportunities. The tentative dates are June 11th through July 6th.

CONSENT ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: Approval of February 22, 2012.

Human Resources: Approval of Employment, Extra Duty Employment, Retirements, Resignations, Extra Duty Resignation, Separation of Service, Termination and Administrative Leave.

Corporation Sponsored Travel: Approval for the Richmond High School Marching Band to attend Band Camp at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Indiana from July 22 to 27, 2012.

Filing of Reports: Approval to accept and file the Food Service Bid Report.

Filing of Reports: Approval to accept and file the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Report.