

BOARD BRIEFS

Dr. Allen Bourff, Superintendent

May 9, 2012

ACTION ITEMS

RISE Model: Dr. Bourff stated that the RISE Evaluation and Development System will be brought back for action at the next Board meeting. Further discussion with the Richmond Education Association regarding components of the plan will take place in the next two weeks. Another consideration is that Dr. Bill Doering, who was to be the in-house trainer for new evaluators, will be leaving RCS to take the position of superintendent at Nettle Creek Schools. The evaluation and compensation model will be approved by the state to qualify for grant dollars. REA President Patsy Baker and teacher Kelley McDermott commented on the opportunity for teacher input and concerns on the professionalism component of the model. There was discussion on the results of the RISE model in other school districts, differences in the RISE model and the current evaluation process, and other topics.

CONSENT ITEMS

Approval of Minutes: Approval of April 25, 2012

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

Summer Athletic Camps: Approval of the 2012 Richmond High School Summer Athletic Camp applications.

RHS Cheer Camp: Approval for the RHS cheerleaders to attend Cheer Camp at Anderson University July 9 to 12.

Bose McKinney & Evans Attorney: Approval of the annual \$500.00 retainer for Bose, McKinney and Evans.

Filing of Reports: Approval of the recommendation to accept and file the Parent Involvement Report.

SNAPSHOTS OF SUCCESS

Celebration of Excellence: Kim Vincent, Westview, was recognized for being named Elementary and RCS Teacher of the Year at the May 3rd Celebration of Excellence. Secondary Teacher of the Year is Andrea Van Meter, RHS; Support Person of the Year is Patti Young, Central Office; Administrator of the Year is Luann Spicer, Test; and the Friend of Education is Mary Jo Clark, RHS.

Teacher Appreciation Week: Linda Morgason read the Proclamation in Honor of Teacher Appreciation Week. Vivian Ashmawi, Executive Director of Communities In Schools, accepted a donation from RCS and REA for \$500.00 in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week.

National School Nurse Day: In honor of National School Nurse Day Barb Bergdoll recognized the RCS nurses and provided information regarding the services they provide. School nurses include Deborah Stracener, Sam Rollf, Diane Hughes, Anna Hoelscher, Kim Puterbaugh, and Jeanetta Nobbe.

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MASTER PLANNING

Financial Review: Approval of the recommendation to authorize Bob Coddington to begin the process for Additional Appropriations, which are necessary to complete the Hibberd, Crestdale and Dennis projects. There was discussion on the Hibberd parking lot needs, revised plans to make the Dennis gym regulation size with bleachers, and the costs of the renovation needs of the Crestdale project.

Crestdale Bids: Approval of the recommendation that the Crestdale Building Project bids be awarded to Thor Construction at the low bid with a base bid of \$4,759,647 plus Alternate Bid #2 in the amount of \$81,000 and Alternate Bid # 8 in the amount of \$268,000 for a grand total of \$5,108,647 meeting bid specifications and subject to the execution of a final written contract mutually approved by the contractor and RCS.

Facilities and Summer Projects: Ron Maze reviewed floor plans and discussed activities taking place for renovation projects at Hibberd, Test, Dennis, Baxter and Crestdale. Mr. Maze noted that all contractors are local and reported on the work that is being completed by RCS staff and students. Mr. Tidrow stated that students, as well as interns from Ivy Tech, have also been hired to assist the Technology Department with the move.

Daily School Schedule: Dr. Bourff presented the following daily school schedule for the 2012-2013 school year:

High School and Intermediate Schools

	<u>Tuesdays</u>
6:20 a.m.	Student Bus Pick-Up Begins
7:15 a.m.	Teacher Day Begins
7:15 a.m.	Student Drop-Off
7:30 a.m.	School (Student Day) Begins
2:45 p.m.	School (Student Day) Ends
2:50 p.m.	Teacher Day Ends

Elementary Schedule

	<u>Tuesdays</u>
7:20 a.m.	Student Bus Pick-Up Begins
8:00 a.m.	Teacher Day Begins
8:15 a.m.	Student Drop-Off
8:40 a.m.	School (Student Day) Begins
3:30 p.m.	School (Student Day) Ends
3:35 p.m.	Teacher Day Ends

There was discussion on secondary students being picked up earlier than elementary students, concerns that younger children currently wait in the dark, families that need older children to supervise younger ones, later dismissal time causing extracurricular teams to be late for events, transportation issues, and other topics.

Frequently Asked Questions: There have been questions regarding the future of the Garrison Cabin and the Highland Caboose. Dr. Bourff stated that the future of these items has not been determined and that available options will be reviewed.