

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF  
CLAY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

A Regular Session of the Clay Community Schools Board of Trustees was held at North Clay Middle School, 3 West Knight Drive, Brazil, IN 47834, on Thursday, June 11, 2009. Forrest Buell, Tina Heffner, Jennifer Kaelber, Brian Atkinson, Terry Barr, and Ted Jackson were present. Dottie King was absent.

**I. Call to Order**

Mr. Atkinson, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Jackson offered the prayer.

**II. Consent Agenda**

**A. Claims**

**B. Board Meetings**

Regular Session Minutes for May 21, 2009

Executive Session Certification for May 21, 2009

**C. Field Trips**

North Clay Middle School students to Washington D.C. and Philadelphia March 18-23, 2010

Mrs. Barr moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and Mr. Jackson seconded. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

**III. Comments from Patrons**

None at this meeting

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Additional Appropriation Resolution**

A resolution that would allow \$1,000,000 to be spent from the Rainy Day Fund was recommended for approval. Before any of the money could be expended, it would need to have board approval and appear on the claims docket. This would be mainly for the bus garage, if it comes in for about that amount.

Mrs. Barr asked to clarify that this is not a commitment to spend funds in any way; it's just making the funds available if the board chooses to do something with those funds. Mrs. Heffner asked if the funds could be moved back. Dr. Schroeder explained that there is a difference in cash and appropriations: The appropriation is the authority to spend money, but if it is not spent, nothing will be done with it for this school year. If the board does not spend it and wants to continue the appropriation into another school year, the board would have to put the appropriation in that school year's budget.

Mr. Atkinson read the resolution into the minutes.

Mrs. Barr moved to approve the recommendation. Mr. Atkinson seconded, and the motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

## **B. Coaches, Athletes, and Parent Handbook Changes: Second Reading**

Dr. Schroeder recommended approval of the changes to the handbooks.

Mrs. Heffner moved to approve the changes to the Coaches, Athletes and Parent Handbook. Dr. Buell seconded, and the motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

## **V. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Schroeder noted the following:

- Northview boys' golf team placed third in the regional and advanced to the state finals. Congratulations and best wishes were offered.
- The June 25 special session board meeting that was scheduled for items related to the construction projects has been cancelled.
- Special meetings for budgeting: July 23 and August 27. Also, information on construction will be presented at the August 27 meeting and at a September 24 special session. All meetings will be held 6:30 p.m. at North Clay Middle School.
- A draft of a funding formula for the State of Indiana was received by Dr. Schroeder. It is based on what the Governor's proposal had determined. In 2009, the basic grant totaled \$27,787,112. If no stimulus money is put in under this proposal, the next budget for 2010 would be \$27,388,191, which is \$398,921 less. In 2011, if the state support tuition formula goes as proposed, the corporation would receive \$27,030,082. If the basic grant figure alone is used, the corporation would lose, over the course of two years, \$1,155,951 in the basic grant. The Governor has proposed using stimulus money to shore up the budget. If the stimulus money is used in 2010, there would be an increase of \$331,578, which means that the amount of the basic grant formula would go up from \$27,787,112 to \$28,118,690 by using stimulus money. But by 2011, that amount goes to \$27,760,581. Over the course of those two years, if just the basic grant is used, the corporation would lose \$1,155,951. However, if the stimulus proposal goes through, the corporation would have an additional \$305,047 over the course of two years. Clay Community Schools would rank 21<sup>st</sup> in the loss of dollars in the State of Indiana under this proposal. To explain why the corporation would lose so much, Dr. Schroeder pointed out the following: 1) the complexity index, which is based on economic factors, is based on one, and the school corporation is above one, so the corporation gets more money there; 2) the de-ghoster would be thrown out. The de-ghoster in the current formula takes a five-year average of ADM times the per-pupil amount to come up with an amount that each corporation would get. The corporation has lost about 200 students in the last three years. The purpose of the de-ghoster was to expand the loss over a period of five years rather than all in one year; 3) the Foundation Grant, which is a way to equalize the revenue per student in the corporation, would be done away with. The proposal also mentions taking special ed/pre-school dollars and moving them to the General

Fund. While initially excited about a 2% increase in funding, all of the communication that Dr. Schroeder had received indicated that stimulus money was only for two years and was not to be dedicated to recurring costs. Dr. Schroeder is a little confused when he has been told not to use the stimulus funds for continued expenses, and then the funds are included in the State basic grant formula that is used for continuing expenses. He believes that there will be a compromise, but he doesn't believe that there will be a lot of new money. His caveat: until the final version is known, the corporation is in a precarious situation. The budget must first be advertised by August 2, so the budget will be put together before it is known what the legislature will do with those dollars. The stimulus funds will come to the corporation through IDEA Part B and Title I and must be spent on those programs. There is also a provision that the funds can only be spent to supplement, not supplant. Dr. Schroeder suggested holding the line on additional expenditures. The corporation is in great shape at this time with a structural surplus; however, if that surplus is used up, it will be difficult to fund additional programs while making cuts.

- \$153,108 has been saved since 2002 through Performance Service contracts at Clay City Jr/Sr High School, Clay City Elementary and Meridian Elementary.
- An ad that appeared in *The Clay City News* on June 9 was read by Dr. Schroeder. The ad follows: *"Have Our Clay Community School Corporation Taxpayers Been Scammed? Our Northview-Clay City Jr/Sr High Schools' Bond Issue was paid off in January 2009. This pay off was kept from the Public until May 2009! Why? Nothing was said about this pay off in January 2009. Nothing has been said about this delay in announcement yet today! Why? This pay off has been kept from the Public as to its effect on our School Corporation's tax structure! Why? With this kind of delayed announcement how can our taxpayers support this \$26,000,000 plus current Elementary School Building Project? Are our taxpayers being scammed? This appears to be a plan by Dr. Schroeder and some School Board members. Since January 2009 our finance board advised our School Board authorities to announce this Bond Issue pay off! Apparently this announcement delay came from Dr. Schroeder and our attorney. Why? Isn't such a manner of doing our Public's business enough for Clay City School Patrons and Taxpayers to sever ties with Clay Community School Corporation!"*

Dr. Schroeder is responding to this ad because he believes that his name and some unnamed board members' credibility are being disparaged. He believes the ad is inaccurate for the following reasons:

- 1) When that holding corporation was put together legally, it was determined by that group that the holding corporation would have control of the monies, not the school board or the superintendent. That's not the way it works in most corporations, but that's the way this one was done in Clay Community Schools back in the mid-1980's. Dr. Schroeder pointed out that, at the board meeting in May, holding corporation members talked about paying off the bond issue and giving the lease over to the school corporation. At that May meeting, a board

member asked, "Bonds were retired in January of this year?" A holding corporation member responded, "Yes, sir." A board member then asked, "Then why are we waiting until now for this to take place?" The holding corporation member replied, "Good question." Another holding corporation member stated, "That's our fault." The first holding corporation member added, "A board member asked if the bonds were paid off the 15<sup>th</sup> of this year. Yes, they were. It's taken us a little while to decide what we wanted to do and put this here together and make it public, to the general public and the taxpayers of the school corporation. So, tonight's the night." The second holding corporation member stated, "I think some of the school board knew it ahead of time, before tonight." Dr. Schroeder's question: Why did this ad appear when, at the last board meeting, it was stated that this is a function of the holding corporation and not the superintendent or the school corporation? The school board and superintendent never had control of these dollars. The control was always held by the holding corporation. He asked if the board member did not listen to the presentation.

- 2) Concerning the question of "Are our taxpayers are being scammed? This appears to be a plan by Dr. Schroeder and some school board members", Dr. Schroeder reiterated that the holding corporation determines how those dollars are spent. Last year, Dr. Schroeder was asked if the funds could be spent on student incentives. His recommendation was to contact legal authorities. It was found that the money could not be spent on student incentives, and that is the only input that he had ever had on spending those dollars. Dr. Schroeder read Indiana Code 20-47-3-18 (Return of money to school corporation upon termination of lease; dissolution of lessor corporation; deposit of money): "Sec. 18. (a) Upon the termination of a lease entered into under this chapter, the lessor corporation shall return to the school corporation any money held by the lessor corporation that exceeds the amount needed to retire bonds issued under this chapter and to dissolve the lessor corporation. (b) A school corporation shall deposit the money received under subsection (a) in its debt service fund or its capital projects fund." Dr. Schroeder emphasized that the holding corporation decided that the money should go to the Capital Projects Fund, not the school corporation deciding that, not the superintendent. Last year, the holding corporation met with Tom Reberger and decided how to spend \$164,058 that they knew would be left over. Clay City Jr/Sr High School received \$122,694 and Northview High School received \$41,364.
- 3) Dr. Schroeder presented a chronology of events regarding the bond retirement: December 2008—Last school corporation Debt Service payment of bonds for Northview and Clay City Jr/Sr High school; January 2009—Bank Trustee (First Financial) made last payment to bond holders; March 2009—Release of mortgage from bank trustee; April 2009—Information recorded in Clay County Court House. The holding corporation asked to appear on school board agenda to transfer the lease; June 2009—School corporation hopes to receive a check for \$110,630.02. Dr. Schroeder pointed out that the holding corporation has decided to spend those dollars on Capital Projects Funds, not Debt Service. They are working with Tom Reberger on how to expend those dollars.

Dr. Schroeder stated that the person placing the ad seems to think that some people are doing something wrong, and they are not. He highly commended the holding corporation for all of their valuable years of service to the communities in the Clay Community Schools system. He added that this ad is completely off base and borders on degradation of character.

As far as communication about the bonds being paid off, Dr. Schroeder's predecessor Bill Schad had mentioned in 2005 that the bonds would be paid off in December of 2008. Since Dr. Schroeder came to the corporation and the building project was resurrected, the fact that the bonds would be paid off has been stated at board meetings, at six or seven community advisory committee meetings that were held in early 2007, listed in the 1028 Preliminary Determination meeting, and stated at the two meetings of the School Property Tax Control Board. All of these meetings were open to the public. Dr. Schroeder had also written information that the bonds were going to be retired in the Winter 2008 newsletter that was inserted in *The Brazil Times* that went to thousands of people. Dr. Schroeder does not understand why the ad was placed in the newspaper when the board members had been told at the last meeting what had been done. He asked what the purpose of the ad was: to not tell the truth; to generate enough support so that the Clay City people want to secede from the school corporation; or, to move forward a hidden agenda.

Mrs. Barr, who had not seen the ad prior to the board meeting, shared her knowledge that the board started looking at the renovation project as early as 2005 because it was known that the bonds would be paid off. She added that the holding corporation has done a lot of work and contributed a lot to the corporation and she is sorry that they have been insulted. She noted that, in fact, the presentation that the holding corporation gave at the May board meeting made it very clear that they were in control of what happened to the funds and made those choices. The board has discussed at endless school board meetings about the bonds being paid off, the tax rate, and the renovation project. She believes it is a case, again, of the frustration some board members feel when things are made public, they are public, and people are not paying attention and choose to interpret it the way that they do. She thinks this is unfortunate, and she feels bad for Dr. Schroeder and those that have been mentioned for no reason. Mrs. Barr added that it is without basis and anyone who has been paying attention knows that.

Dr. Schroeder referred again to the question, "Are our taxpayers being scammed?" To him, that says that something is happening under the table, which it is not. As for the statement, "This appears to be a plan by Dr. Schroeder and some school board members", Dr. Schroeder feels that this looks like a condemnation of himself and some school board members stating that they are trying to scam the public. One other point that Dr. Schroeder made: If the holding corporation, not the school board or superintendent, decided to take the remaining \$110,630.02 and apply that to debt service, based on assessed valuation of \$772,148,698 that would have lowered the debt service tax rate by 1.4¢, which is miniscule. He reiterated that this is not casting any stones or aspersions on the holding corporation whatsoever. They served the

community wisely, they served it with fervor, and they've done a good job. Instead of telling the school corporation how they wanted to spend the money, they came to Tom Reberger and asked that those dollars should go towards what needs there are in Capital Projects.

## **VI. Board Member Comments**

**Mr. Jackson** thanked Ms. Showalter, Mr. Bell and Mr. Rayle for some great graduations. He particularly enjoyed Cumberland Academy's graduation, which he had not been able to attend for several years. He congratulated Northview's golf team that qualified for the State finals. He added congratulations to Kyler Rhodes from Clay City, a senior that had never played on the golf team, but played his senior year and qualified for regionals.

**Mrs. Barr** stated that her favorite part every year is graduation. She is always proud of the students and their families, what they have accomplished, and the staff that has supported them throughout the years. She finds Cumberland especially touching, knowing that some students have faced overwhelming odds to get where they are. She offered her appreciation for what everyone does to help them get there. She also offered her appreciation to staff and faculty as they work each year to try to serve each child and see that everyone graduates. Mrs. Barr expressed how sorry she is for the accusations that were made against Dr. Schroeder and the holding corporation, and she expressed her appreciation for a job well done.

**Dr. Buell** stated that he was the party that Dr. Schroeder was referring to. He shared his opinion that the problem the public has had is why it took the time from January to May to close the project out, and what happens to the payments in that time. He does not believe the holding company and Dr. Schroeder worked so smoothly. The figures that Dr. Schroeder gave out are beyond him and need to go through the holding company. Dr. Buell knows that when the holding company asked to come to the school board meeting, there was one board member that e-mailed and said to have them come and speak 5 minutes like the public. Dr. Buell questioned all of the information that Dr. Schroeder put out, and he believes it would take a holding company member to verify it. He does not retract what he said. He has reason to believe that there are problems there. He asked for a copy of what Dr. Schroeder presented so that he could take it to the holding company for verification, and the other board members and Dr. Schroeder reminded him that he already had been given a copy.

**Mrs. Barr** offered a clarification of what transpired regarding the placement of the holding corporation's deed presentation on the agenda. As she remembers it, the holding corporation didn't come simply because they hadn't got around to it. The original e-mails were not clear that Mr. Geswein wanted to come as a member of the holding company to make a presentation of the deed. Her first impression was that he wanted to speak. As it was clarified, it was determined that it was the holding company that wanted to make a presentation, and that is when things changed. She believes it was simply a misunderstanding.

**Mrs. Heffner** also had that understanding from the e-mails. To further clarify, she personally felt like if it had something to do outside the deed presentation, then the board needed to stick with the policy of patron comments. The board did appreciate the holding company coming forward like that and the information that they gave to the

board. She expressed her appreciation to *The Brazil Times* and *The Clay City News* for their reporting, and she is counting on them to share what has been said tonight. Mrs. Heffner also enjoyed the graduations, and her oldest son graduated this year. She appreciates all of the hard work that the administration and teachers are doing.

**Mrs. Kaelber** offered her congratulations to all of the graduates. She attended Northview's graduation. She apologized for being unable to attend the Cumberland Academy and Clay City Jr/Sr High School graduations due to work commitments.

**Mr. Atkinson** offered clarification regarding Dr. Buell's comments about Mr. Atkinson talking to the holding corporation member. In the original phone conversation, Mr. Atkinson stated that it was unclear if the holding corporation member wanted to come and present information about the deeds or speak about another issue with regards to other issues in the corporation. Because Mr. Atkinson was unclear about what the holding corporation member wanted to do, Mr. Atkinson sent him an e-mail asking him. He replied, in person, that his intentions were to come to the meeting and present the deeds and talk about the bond corporation. At the May meeting, when the holding corporation member saw that the bond corporation was farther down on the agenda, he asked if they could also present their information during the patron comment section so that they could make their presentation earlier in the meeting. As for the ad in *The Clay City News*, Mr. Atkinson is appalled that a board member would put that in there. He cannot understand how seven board members can sit at a meeting, get the same information, and six understand it and one not. Mr. Atkinson concluded his comments by stating that he attended all three graduations. He thought all three went very well. He was intrigued by Clay City having the power point presentation at the end of theirs.

## **VII. New Business**

### **A. Update on Construction Report**

Mr. Jim Boots of The Skillman Corporation noted that they are continuing to look at Bid Pack #4 work, which is the last of the bid packs. They have asked for an extension to the schedule that had been presented. Originally they were going to present and ask for approval of information at a June 25 special session; however, that meeting is now not necessary and the approval will be asked for at the July 9 regular session board meeting.

Mr. Tom Neff of Schmidt Associates stated that the web site link will be sent out tomorrow. The link will work through the school corporation's web site. Mr. Neff referred to the fact that meetings had been held to get the scope of the projects lined up. They are making every effort to remain equitable with the facilities at Jackson Township as they plan for the other buildings.

### **B. Rainy Day Transfer Resolution**

The transfer of \$422,500 from the School Bus Replacement Fund to the Rainy Day Fund is being requested. It is recommended that the transfer be approved.

Mrs. Barr asked for an explanation of what is being moved, to where it is being moved and why it is being moved. Dr. Schroeder explained that money is being moved from Bus Replacement to Rainy Day. The buses are replaced on a twelve-year plan. The

budget is put together the summer of the year before, so costs are over-estimated because nearly a year will elapse between the preparation of the budget and the actual purchase of buses. There is money left over this year. There was \$422,500 deemed to be unneeded revenue at this point, and moving it to the Rainy Day Fund is requested. If the corporation eventually gets a bus garage plan that is acceptable, this \$422,500 can be combined with \$550,000 in the Rainy Day Fund to pay that much for the project so that there is not a need to borrow. Mrs. Barr stressed that this is just a resolution to move the money; it is not a commitment to spend.

Mrs. Heffner asked what other types of things the money could be used for other than capital projects. Dr. Schroeder explained that a Rainy Day Fund policy was developed a few years ago. Over \$2 million was set aside to help cover the retirement fund that was under-funded. The policy states that the funds cannot be spent on salaries and fringe benefits; otherwise, the board can choose how they want to spend it. Mrs. Heffner asked about the possibility of using Rainy Day Fund money to make up the difference of the \$398,321 that the corporation might not receive from the state. Dr. Schroeder replied that it could be used for that purpose; however, he cautioned that it must be used for one-time expenditures, so once that money is spent in the first year, it is gone. He would not advise that.

Mrs. Barr asked how this transfer would leave the Bus Replacement Fund. Dr. Schroeder replied that it is sufficient at this time. Mr. Misner noted that ten buses were purchased this year. Mr. Fowler added that with the 12-year plan, the range is a low of 4 buses being purchased in a year and a high of 9 buses being purchased in a year.

Mr. Atkinson read the resolution into the minutes.

Mrs. Barr moved to approve the Rainy Day Transfer Resolution. Mr. Atkinson seconded, and the motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

### **C. Pre-School Special Education Transfer Resolution**

Dr. Schroeder explained that the corporation transports pre-school special education students. Those expenses used to not be taken out of the Pre-School/Special Education Fund. It is being asked to take these transportation costs out of that fund and move \$19,543 into the Transportation Fund.

Mr. Atkinson read the resolution into the minutes.

Mr. Jackson moved to approve the Pre-School Special Education Transfer Resolution. Mrs. Heffner seconded, and the motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

### **D. Food Service Bids**

Dr. Schroeder stated that the corporation had bid out food and supplies, milk and dairy, and bread and bun products. It is recommended that the bids for food and supplies be accepted from B and B Foods, Commercial Food Systems, Fox River Foods, Gordon Food Service, and McFarling Foods. For bread and bun products, it is recommended



that Interstate Brands be accepted, and for milk and dairy products, it is recommended that the bid from Prairie Farms be accepted. This would be good from August 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010.

Under discussion, Mrs. Heffner asked if these bids would be firm for the entire year. Mr. Fowler noted that one bid has built in the possibility of either an increase or a decrease. Mrs. Heffner then asked if lunch costs would increase. Dr. Schroeder and Mr. Fowler replied that the cash balance would be looked at on June 30 and a decision to recommend the price of meals would be made in July. He added that it is better to increase prices gradually rather than wait a few years and increase prices by a larger amount.

Mr. Jackson moved to approve the food service bids as presented. Mr. Atkinson seconded, and the motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

#### **E. School Board Policy 3444 – Policy on Credit Card: First Reading**

Dr. Schroeder noted that when the corporation had the State Board of Accounts audit for the past two years, the individuals completing the audit stated that the corporation needed to have a policy regarding credit card use, and there was no policy. This is the first reading. It allows the credit card to be used when a purchase order is more cumbersome. The Director of Business Affairs is responsible for making sure costs are in line. The credit card is not used too much.

Under discussion, Mr. Jackson asked if there needed to be two people with responsibility for it. Mr. Fowler responded that there needed to be two people for payments. He added that a discussion at a board meeting happened in the 1990's that limited credit card use to travel and a couple of other very small-scope items. The ability to use a credit card to make purchases that would result in savings or for companies that will not accept purchase orders is needed. Dr. Schroeder suggested adding superintendent so both individuals together can determine whether the credit card should be used.

#### **F. Revised Employee Handbooks: First Reading**

This is the first reading, so no board vote needs to be taken.

#### **G. Declare Modular Classrooms Obsolete**

The modular classrooms are at East Side and Meridian. The corporation would like to try to sell them first; if not sold, they will need to be hauled off.

Mr. Atkinson moved to declare the modular classrooms at Meridian Elementary and East Side Elementary obsolete. Mrs. Barr seconded, and the motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

#### **H. Signature of Vendor Contracts**

This is a request to have the superintendent and business manager to be able to sign contracts for construction bills. Dr. Schroeder asked to keep in mind that any bill that

comes through would still be on the claims form, so the board would have the provision to accept or reject.

Under discussion, Mr. Jackson asked if the items would be listed differently on the claims form. Mr. Fowler replied that it would be listed as Fund 700.

Mrs. Barr moved to approve allowing the business director and superintendent to sign contracts to expedite the payment of construction bills. Mrs. Kaelber seconded, and the motion was approved by a 5-1 vote with Dr. Buell opposed.

<b>VIII. <u>Personnel</u></b>		
<b>A.</b>	<b>Leaves of Absence</b>	
	<b>1. Certified</b>	
	a. Teacher (FMLA)	CA/NHS      Michelle Tracy
	<b>2. Non-Certified</b>	None
<b>B.</b>	<b>Retirements</b>	
	<b>1. Certified</b>	None
	<b>2. Non-Certified</b>	None
	<b>3. Place on Retirement Index</b>	None
<b>C.</b>	<b>Resignations</b>	
	<b>1. Certified</b>	
	a. Teacher- Art (2 periods)	NHS              Abbey Fouse
	<b>2. Non-Certified</b>	
	a. Instructional Assistant	NHS              Michael Tisdale
	b. School Nurse (Title I)	ME                Lori Hakman
	<b>3. ECA Resignation</b>	
	a. Student Council	NHS              Emily Goff
	b. Student Council	NHS              Scott McDonald
	c. Cheer Coach	CCHS             Christina Rea
<b>D.</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	
	<b>1. Certified</b>	None
	<b>2. Non-Certified</b>	None
<b>E.</b>	<b>Employment</b>	
	<b>1. Certified</b>	
	a. Teacher, Head Varsity Basketball (9/10ths position)	CCHS             Vance Edmondson
	<b>2. Non-Certified</b>	
	a. Bus Driver	TRANS            John Stough
	b. Bus Driver	TRANS            Lisa Stevenson
	c. Custodial/Grounds	NHS                Bradley Hardesty
	<b>3. Extra-Curricular Certified</b>	
	a. Cross Country – Varsity Girls	CCHS             Chris Ames

	b. National Honor Society (33%)	NHS	Emily Goff
	c. Student Council (50%)	NHS	Lindsey Rost
	d. Student Council (50%)	NHS	Shannon Sampson
<b>4. Extra-Curricular Non-Certified</b>			
	a. Cross Country	NCMS	Chris Walker
<b>5. Extra-Curricular Lay Coach/Lay Sponsor</b>		None	
<b>6. Extra-Curricular Volunteers</b>		None	
<b>F. Changes</b>			
<b>1. Certified</b>		None	
<b>2. Non-Certified</b>			
	a. Secretary from Instructional Assistant	CCE	Bradi Oberholtzer
	b. Secretary from Instructional Assistant	JTE	Lori Conrad
<b>G. Termination</b>			
<b>1. Certified</b>		None	
<b>2. Non-Certified</b>			
	a. Sign Interpreter	ME	Madolin Sparks
	(The student this person was with is moving to NCMS and there is already a sign interpreter at that school. She has been informed position will be eliminated.)		
<b>H. Information Only</b>		None	
<b>I. Classroom Volunteers</b>			
	<u>Northview High School</u>		
	Miranda Goodale		
	<u>Forest Park (Kids Hope USA)</u>		
	Robert Witte	Lisa Kay Witte	John R. Anderson
	Barbara Short		

Mrs. Heffner offered her thanks to Forrest Buell for his help as a member of the committee searching for the basketball coach at Clay City Jr/Sr High School.

Mrs. Heffner moved to approve the personnel items. Mrs. Kaelber seconded, and the motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

#### **IX. Future Agenda Items**

**Mr. Jackson** offered a comment rather than a future agenda item. He encouraged board members, administrators, and teachers to maintain a “We can” attitude. He believes that sometimes walls or barriers come up and he challenges everyone to look at ways to make things better and enhance education for the students.

**Mrs. Barr** would like to discuss, at a later date, the future of Cumberland Academy and the LEAAP Center. Dr. Schroeder noted that the corporation would like to look at the possibility of using stimulus dollars to extend those programs through the 2010-2011 school year.

**Mr. Atkinson** referred to the presentation at the April meeting regarding the GRASP program that provides an alternative way of dealing with students that have been suspended. He would like to have an update at the July meeting, with all of the information the board would need for the board to discuss that and possibly have a vote: How to fund it, how to run it, and the details to make it a reality.

**X. Adjournment**

Mrs. Heffner made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Atkinson seconded. With a 6-0 vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm.

The meeting was audio and video recorded and copies may be requested by contacting the Central Administration Office.