



Columbia Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes April 1, 2014

6:00 P.M.

Horace W. Porter Conference Room

Board Members Present: David Crim, Christopher Lent, Lisa Napolitano, Kathy Tolsdorf

Board Members Absent: Kerry Hoffman-Chairperson, Lauren Perrotti-Verboven
 Karin Vertefeuille-Vice Chairperson,

Others Present: Lol Fearon-Superintendent, Alyssa Gwinnell-Principal, Jackie Middleton-Director of Student Services, Bev Ciurylo-Finance Director, Michelle Firestone-Chronicle Reporter, Steve Piro, Janet Denley

I. Call to Order

Lisa Napolitano called the April 1, 2014 special meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. 2014/2015 Budget Discussion and Possible Action

Board members discussed FiPAC's requested \$340,000 reduction to the 2014/15 proposed budget and its possible impacts. Superintendent Fearon explained the possible reduction considerations:

PROPOSED REDUCTIONS 2014-15

I.

10-10-100-1100-330	Interns	17,000
10-10-100-2600-422	Snowplowing	1,000
10-10-100-1105-430	Repair/Maintenance – District Technology	8,000
10-10-100-2600-430	Grounds/Building	5,000
10-10-100-1107-340	Information Tech Service	16,000
10-10-100-1104-641	Texts – L/A	2,743
10-10-100-1106-641	Texts – Health	4,447
10-10-100-1110-641	Texts – Science	7,925
10-10-100-1111-641	Texts – Math	3,300
10-10-100-1115-641	Texts – Music	1,950
10-10-100-1110-730	Equipment Science	1,750
10-10-100-1111-730	Equipment Math	4,825
10-10-100-1119-730	Equipment PE	3,040
	Subtotal I.	\$76,980

II.

10-20-100-1108-560	Tuition – E.O. Smith	36,309
10-20-300-1100-560	Tuition Voag	-22,035
	Subtotal II.	\$14,274

III.

Staff Reductions in Force		
2.0 FTE Teachers Salaries and benefits (Net savings with unemployment)		97,392
2.0 FTE Non-Certified Staff (Net savings with unemployment)		91,032
	Subtotal III.	\$188,424

IV.

10-10-100-2213-320	Instructional Services /Conferences	4,275
10-30-285-2100-330	Professional Services/Outside Eval.	2,000
10-30-285-2102-330	Professional Services/Program Consultant	3,000
10-30-285-2103-330	Professional Services/Speech/Oral Motor	2,000
	Subtotal IV.	\$11,275

V.

10-30-600-1241-560	High School Services	50,000
	Subtotal V.	\$50,000

TOTAL PROPOSED REDUCTIONS

I. + II. + III. + IV. + V.	=	\$340,953
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Board members discussed the after school program, pay-to-play, prepaying for services/supplies, unemployment costs, high school special education services, prekindergarten, kindergarten, world languages in Columbia’s feeder high school districts and non-mandated programs. The Board will meet with FiPAC on Wednesday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

IV. Adjournment

K. Tolsdorf **MOVED** and D. Crim **SECONDED** to adjourn the April 1, 2014 special meeting at 7:25 p.m.
MOTION CARRIES: 6-0

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Napolitano
 Columbia Board of Education Member