

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MAPLEWOOD RICHMOND HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SESSION – SEPTEMBER 21, 2006**

The Board of Education of the Maplewood Richmond Heights School District of St. Louis County, Missouri, met for Regular Session on Thursday, September 21, 2006, in the MRH Senior High Library/Media Center, 7539 Manchester Road, Maplewood, Missouri. President Montford called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Mrs. Montford, Rev. Malone, Mr. Mitten, Mr. Findley, Mrs. O’Sullivan, Mrs. Blankenship and Mr. Klein

Also present: Dr. Henke, Mr. Pearson, Parents, Patrons and Ms. Thorp, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Education

- 1.01 Welcome Visitors and Guests**
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance**
- 1.03 Public Forum: Brigid Elliott
Julia Schaffner and daughter**

Recognition

- 2.01 Nelda Hoemann of the American Legion presented awards to Jamie Turner and Tony King for winning the American Legion Poster Contest.

Consent Items

- 3.0 Motion was made by Mr. Mitten and seconded by Mr. Findley that the Board of Education adopts the Consent Agenda as presented. The vote on the motion was YES: Rev. Malone, Mr. Mitten, Mr. Findley, Mrs. O’Sullivan, Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Klein and Mrs. Montford. NO: none Motion carried 7-0

Construction

- 4.01 High school and ECC renovation update presented by Kort Cole of SM Wilson.

Study Items

- 5.01 Dave Kuschel reported on the progress of establishing a district calendar committee.
- 5.02 David Grossman led the discussion on Project Headware.

Board Communications

- 6.01 Board Retreat - Mrs. Montford led the discussion on the Board retreat. This meeting will take place on November 2 from 5:30 – 8:00 pm in the high school.
- 6.02 MSBA Report – Mrs. O’Sullivan led the discussion on upcoming MSBA events; regional meeting on September 28 and the annual fall conference to being held October 26-29.
- 6.03 TLC Committee – Mrs. O’Sullivan and Mr. Pearson reported on the September 13 meeting.

- 6.04 Legislative Update – Mr. Findley reported on the CSD Legislative committee meeting held on August 31.
- 6.05 SSD Report – Rev. Malone led the discussion on SSD Public Review Committee
- 6.06 Board Scholarship Fundraiser – Mrs. Montford led the discussion on having a scholarship fundraiser. The Board will have a fundraiser in January or February of 2007.
- 6.07 Joe’s Place – Mr. Mitten and Mr. Findley reported on the progress of Joe’s Place. A pledge card to be used by MRH staff members to contribute on a voluntary basis was reviewed. *Motion was made by Mr. Mitten and seconded by Mr. Findley that the Board of Education approves voluntary payroll deduction for MRH staff members for contributions to Joe’s Place. The vote on the motion was YES: Rev. Malone, Mr. Mitten, Mr. Findley, Mrs. O’Sullivan, Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Klein and Mrs. Montford. NO: none Motion carried 7-0*
- 6.08 Wellness Committee – Mrs. Blankenship and Mr. Klein reported on the Wellness Committee meeting held September 11. The committee will meet monthly this school year.
- 6.09 Committee Liaison – Mrs. Montford presented the committee liaison appointments for 2006-2007:

Sherry Montford	Compensation Benefits Task Force
	Project Headware
Nate Malone	SSD Governing Council
	Black Leadership Roundtable
	Faith Leadership
Barb O’Sullivan	MSBA Delegate
	Teaching and Learning Council
Nelson Mitten	SBA Alternate
	Black Leadership Roundtable
	Policy
	Joe’s Place
	Project Headware policies
Cindy Blankenship	Wellness Committee
	Faith Leadership
Joel Klein	Calendar Committee
	Compensation Benefits Task Force
	Wellness Committee
Steve Findley	SSD Alternate
	Joe’s Place
	CSD Legislative Committee

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- 6.10 Joint Meeting – Mrs. Montford led the discussion on having a joint meeting with the councils from the city of Maplewood and city of Richmond Heights.
- 6.11 School Dialogues – Mrs. Montford led the discussion on holding dialogues between the parents and Board at each building. The first dialogue to be held this year will be the elementary school.
- 6.12 Maplewood Chamber Auction – Mrs. Montford announced the auction would be held on Saturday, September 30 at Sunnen Corporation beginning at 5:30 pm.
- 6.13 Chili Cook-Off – Mrs. Montford announced the Maplewood Community Betterment Foundation would hold a chili cook-off at Citizens Park on Friday, October 13 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm.
- 6.14 Renaissance Festival – Dr. Henke and Mrs. Montford led the discussion on holding a Renaissance Festival in conjunction with the district anniversary in the fall of 2007.

Administrative Communications

- 7.01 Enrollment – Mrs. Lesley presented the unofficial enrollment as of September 21, 2006.
- 7.02 New Vision – Mr. Maclin of the New Vision Center reported on the progress of this middle school alternative program.

Finance

- 8.01 Mrs. Lesley presented the August Financial Statements.

Action Items

- 9.01 2006-2007 Bus Schedules – Beth Rowland
Motion was made by Mr. Findley and seconded by Mrs. Blankenship that the Board of Education approves the 2006-2007 bus schedules as presented. *The vote on the motion was YES: Rev. Malone, Mr. Mitten, Mr. Findley, Mrs. O’Sullivan, Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Klein and Mrs. Montford. NO: none Motion carried 7-0*
- 9.02 Calendar for MRH Seniors – Dr. Henke
Motion was made by Mr. Mitten and seconded by Mr. Findley that the Board of Education approves the 2006-2007 calendar for MRH seniors as presented. *The vote on the motion was YES: Rev. Malone, Mr. Mitten, Mr. Findley, Mrs. O’Sullivan, Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Klein and Mrs. Montford. NO: none Motion carried 7-0*

Executive Session

10.0 *Motion was made by Mr. Klein and seconded by Mrs. Blankenship that the Board of Education in accordance with section 610.021, subsections 1 and 3 and section 610.022 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri go into closed session on September 21, 2006 for the following specific reasons: Legal and personnel matters - The roll call vote on the motion was YES: Rev. Malone, Mr. Mitten, Mr. Findley, Mrs. O’Sullivan, Mrs. Blankenship, Mr. Klein and Mrs. Montford. NO: none Motion carried 7-0*

Meeting recessed at 9:55 pm.

Sheryl Montford
President

Barbara O’Sullivan
Secretary