

TO: Cabot School District Employees
FROM: Dr. Tony Thurman
RE: Summary of December 20, 2011 School Board Meeting

Board President Dean Martin called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m. Those in attendance were School Board members Wendel Msall, Corey Williams, Mark Russell, Dr. Brenda Thielemier, Donna Nash, and Brian Evans. Also in attendance were Dr. Tony Thurman, Jim Dalton, Directors, Administrators, media, and community members.

The board went directly into executive session.

The board reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

The board voted to accept all personnel presented during executive session.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes from the regular November School Board meeting were approved as presented.

November financials were approved as presented.

RECOGNITION

“Big Turkey” Readers Theater Presentation - Jane Balgavy introduced the Cabot Varsity Forensics team and their performance of “Big Turkey.” The team won first place in Readers Theater at the Rogers Heritage Invitation Tournament and the North Little Rock Wildcat Classic Invitational. Their performance won first place rankings from all judges in the final rounds.

Cabot Forensics performed “Big Turkey” for the board and everyone in attendance.

Hometown Health Poster Contest Winners – Robert Martin introduced Milton Garris from the Arkansas Health Department, who provided information about the Hometown Health Poster Contest. Mr. Martin recognized the following students as winners of this contest:

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| Andrew Van Enk | Bronwyn Clark |
| Zoe March | Kaitlyn Hilo |
| Trey Hendrickson | Molly Kelsey |
| Nonoka Uchiyama | Blaise Northern |
| Kylie Ross | Ryleigh Howard |
| Alexis Lyons | Nathan Hepp |
| Trey Pierce | |

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Buildings and Grounds Report – Jim Dalton presented a PowerPoint providing the current progress in the fine arts auditorium renovations. Mr. Dalton reported that the plans for the Freshman Academy are about 70% complete.

ACE – Full Day Program – Tammy Tucker reported that based on requests from parents, we have decided to launch a full day program at ACE. Typically students attend three half days a week, and we will now offer students the option of attending three full days a week. Forty-one new students are enrolled for the Spring semester.

Common Core Update – Tammy Tucker provided an update on Common Core implementation. Grades third through eighth will implement Common Core in the fall of 2012. They will begin meeting with teachers right after break to work on pacing and standards.

Healthy Panther Newsletter – For information.

Cabot Panther Foundation – Board member Brian Evans provided an update on the recent foundation meeting. Approximately thirty new bricks were added to the Panther Wall. This spring the foundation will hold “Cabot Schools Got Talent” and the spring golf tournament for fundraisers.

Public Facilities Report – Dr. Thurman provided the annual Public Facilities Report. He advised that all projects must be placed on the master plan, whether we are requesting funding or not. Dr. Thurman distributed a worksheet showing the building projects completed in the last few years, of which 86% were academic facility construction and remodeling projects. The 2008 bond issue was valued at \$21,655,000. The district will have completed \$98 million in projects once the Freshman Academy is open. After presenting the Public Facilities Report, Dr. Thurman opened the floor for any questions or comments. There were no questions or comments.

ACTION

The board voted to approve the 2012 Master Facilities Plan as presented.

The board voted to approve the sale of submitted items as presented by the administration.

The board voted to approve supplemental salary stipends that were proposed by the PPC and supported by administration.

The board voted to approve the final revisions to the Federal Job Funds budget for submission to the Arkansas Department of Education.

The board voted to approve the amendments to the 457 plans as presented.

The board voted to uphold the administration's recommendation for the expulsion of student.

The board adjourned at 6:38 p.m.