

Spotlight on the Board

Notes from the District 15 School Board Meeting

May 10th, 2006

Spotlight on the Board is a collection of notes taken at the District 15 School Board meetings by Pleasant Hill PTAs' School Board liaison, Susan Quinn. They are meant to help parents and staff who are unable to attend the Board meetings on a regular basis to keep informed about the issues and plans affecting the district. These Notes are not endorsed by District 15 or the Board of Education. Below are the highlights from the May "Regular" meeting.

- 1. New Principals: Brian LeCrone at Kimball Hill, Earl Overman at Winston Campus Jr. High**
- 2. Department of Instruction 2006-2007 Budget presented**
 - a. \$56M, including \$2M increase over 2005-2006 for hiring new staff**
3. Board President Carlson reassigns Board Committees
 - a. D15 Ed Foundation: Mikula, DACEE: Carlson
 - b. Carlson wants committee meetings held during Committee of the Whole meetings
 - c. Keenan, Rowden objected to Board members not being present at Policy and other district committees in the future
4. Several policies were discussed affecting the operation of the Board
5. Bids approved for various equipment, including gymnasium divider for Conyers Learning Academy and 2006 Life Safety Improvements
6. 3 year energy contract with Illinois Energy Consortium (IEC) tabled by 6:1 vote
 - a. Millar, Rowden concerned about potential costs after deregulation of Illinois energy market in the Fall

Full May 10th meeting notes, as well as previous *Spotlight on the Board* meeting notes, can be found at www.phpta.org, where you can also subscribe to receive the *Spotlight* notes via email. Next Board meeting is Wednesday, May 24th, 2006, 7 pm at Sundling Jr. High – this is the annual "Retirement Recognition" meeting.