



Elementary Education Director at the time, Karen Garrity, created the program as it was determined that second graders needed additional support in reading.

Mrs. Lindauer, Book Buddies Director, shared that the program was designed to assist second graders to reach higher reading levels. The support also better prepares the students for a state mandated assessment, IREAD-3, which is given to all third graders.

There are 409 Book Buddy volunteers that support 197 students. Recruitment and training of tutors is on-going. Students are placed in the program through reading assessments and teacher recommendations. At each session, students read two books to their Book Buddy, practice sight words and play a reading related game. Data shows that students advance seven or more book levels a year, and approximately 90% achieve grade level reading. Funding for the program comes through grants, fundraising and private donations. The program continues to be evaluated as input is received from parents, Book Buddies and students each year. In 2008, Cummins Inc. conducted a Six Sigma project of the program.

The following information was shared in response to questions from the board.

There are teachers in the upper elementary grades that model the Book Buddy program in their classrooms.

### **PUBLIC DIALOGUE:**

No one spoke at this time.

### **STUDENT AND STAKEHOLDER FOCUS (3.0)**

#### **1) Comments of Individuals and Delegations:**

No one signed in to speak.

#### **2) Board Commendations:**

Mrs. Verbanic commended the successes of the high school band programs in recent competitions.

### **MEASUREMENT, ANALYSIS, AND KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT (4.0)**

#### **3) School Attorney Report:**

No report was shared.

#### **4) School Board Member Reports:**

No reports were shared.

## **5) Cabinet Report:**

Mrs. Hack shared that she attended a meeting on the legal requirements of the school improvement process. She noted that BCSC had a good start in the undertaking of meeting the requirements.

## **EDUCATIONAL PROCESS FOR BOARD ACTION (6.0)**

### **6) Requests for Approval: (Dr. Quick)**

Mr. Jensen reviewed the following items for the Board.

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of September 14, 2015 (attachment)
- b. Supplemental Contracts (attachment)
- c. Field Trips/Professional Leaves (attachment)
- d. Claims (attachment)
- e. To Adopt the 2016 Budgets (attachment)
- f. Change Order for Columbus North Pool & Gymnasium Renovation (attachment)

Mr. Caldwell made a motion to approve the items as described by Mr. Jensen. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryant.

In response to a question from the board, Dr. Sylva shared that he had uploaded the 2016 Budget forms to the Department of Local Government and Finance (DLGF). The first draft of the budget order should be received in January. The corporation will have ten days to review and appeal. Dr. Sylva will keep the board informed.

Upon a call for the vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

## **FACULTY AND STAFF FOCUS FOR ACTION (5.0)**

### **7) Request for Approval of Human Resources Recommendations:**

Ms. Heiny requested approval of the Human Resources recommendations as presented.

Mrs. Verbanic made a motion to approve the recommendations and Mrs. Dayhoff-Dwyer seconded the motion.

The Human Resources recommendations included the retirement of Dr. Quick, Superintendent and Dr. Clancy, Principal CSA-Fodrea.

Upon a call for the vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**BOARD INPUT/REVIEW**

Dr. Shedd shared that the next school board meeting would be October 19, 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Healthy Elementary School.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

\_\_\_\_\_Secretary

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_President