



**Simons Middle School
SBDM Meeting Minutes
July 30, 2014 – 6:00 PM
Library Media Center**



Members Present: Jesse Bacon, Stacey Fite, Whitney Wilson, Jordan Fritz, Terra Vice, Jill Grier

Guests: Jim Hamm - KDE

- I. Mr. Bacon Called the meeting to order.
- II. Item XI (2014-2015 SBDM Committees – Action) was removed from the agenda. The Agenda was then approved by consensus.
- III. Mr. Bacon presented each SBDM member with a copy of the Statement of Ethics for the Simons Middle School Council. The Statement of Ethics was read aloud and each member of the SBDM signed and returned them to Mr. Bacon. A copy of each is attached to the minutes.
- IV. Minutes from the May 2014 regular meeting was presented and approved by consensus.
- V. The following financial reports were presented, discussed and approved by consensus:
 1. May School Activity Funds
 2. June School Activity Funds
 3. 2013-2014 Annual School Activity Funds Report
 4. June 2014 Instructional Fund Report (Board Office)
 5. July 2014 Instructional Fund Report (Board Office)
- VI. The 2014-2015 Master Schedule was presented and approved by consensus.
- VII. The 2014-2015 Use of School Space was presented and approved by consensus
- VIII. The Student Handbook was presented and discussion was held over the changes the Standards Based Grading Policy, Backpacks, and the implementation of CHAMPS. It was approved by consensus.
- IX. Mr. Bacon shared some information with the council about the school's Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment plan for the 2-14-2015 school year. Copies of the Long Range Plan Template, Unit of Study Template, Core Content PLC Schedule, and Assessment Plan were presented and discussed.
- X. The May 2014 School Nutrition Monthly Financial Report was presented as information

~~XI. 2014-2015 SBDM Committees~~ **Action**

- XII. The 2014-2015 Regular Meetings were set for the 3rd Monday of the month at 3:30 in the Library Media Center.
- XIII. Discussion was held over the posted Agriculture Position at SMS. Mr. Bacon provided a copy of the Letter of Commitment to the Fleming County School District by A Better Community Foundation. Mr. Bacon explained that the money being used to pay the teacher was being donated by A Better Community Foundation. Mr. Bacon also explained that he had recently met with a representative of that group, and that representative informed him that the group would not provide the funding for that position if the Middle School did not agree to share that teacher with FCHS. There was discussion about the different options that the SBDM had in regards to the allocated position. In the end it was approved by consensus to allow the position to be split with the high school. The hired teacher will teach periods 1 – 4 at SMS and then transition to the high school for the remainder of the afternoon. In return an agriculture teacher from the High School will come to the Middle School for periods 5-7. Mr. Bacon then informed the SBDM that he would set up interviews for the position and contact each of the members to let them know when those would take place
- XIV. The meeting was adjourned.

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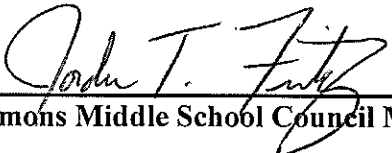
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