A Working Session Board meeting of the Elizabeth School District was held on Monday, August 25, 2014, at the Board Room, District Office.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER
President Deb Spenceley called the BOE Meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

2.0 ROLL CALL
The following BOE directors were present:
Director Carol Hinds
Director Dee Lindsey
Director Chris Richardson
Director Deb Spenceley
Director Chip Swan

Also present: Superintendent, Douglas Bissonette
Executive Administrative Assistant/Communication Specialist, Michele McCarron
Director of Finance, Ron Patera

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
President Deb Spenceley led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 EDUCATION SHOWCASE
No Education Showcase

5.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/BLANKET MOTION
A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion moved by Director Swan
Motion seconded by Director Richardson

ROLL CALL:
Director Carol Hinds - aye
Director Dee Lindsey - aye
Director Chris Richardson - aye
Director Deb Spenceley - aye
Director Chip Swan - aye
The motion carried 5-0
6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
6.1 Motion to approve the minutes from August 11, 2014 as written.

Motion Moved by Director Richardson
Motion Seconded by Director Swan

ROLL CALL:
Director Carol Hinds - aye
Director Dee Lindsey - abstain
Director Chris Richardson - aye
Director Deb Spenceley - aye
Director Chip Swan - aye
Motion Carried 4-0

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS
Susanna Jordan, Co-Chair of the District Accountability Committee (DAC), gave an Executive Summary of the Parent Survey results. The survey was administered in the spring of 2014. The Executive Summary of the survey is intended to be utilized as a tool to identify areas where individual schools and the district can focus on opportunities for improvement over the next year. More than half of the respondents were satisfied with communications, leadership, school safety and the sense that their children’s individual educational needs were being met. The DAC reported a drop in the participation rate of parents participating in the survey. The DAC and the board all agree that parent feedback is extremely valuable to our schools and the district. The DAC will be exploring other means to obtain input and feedback from parents.

8.0 CONSENT AGENDA
8.1 New Hires
Rachel Samson, Teacher, SHE
Maggie Lape, Teacher, RCE
Alison Whiteley, Teacher, SHE
Daniel Marcus, Teacher, EHS
Shannon Shaw, Teacher, RCE
Colleen Wells, Teacher, EHS
Magen Culver, School Psych, DW
Elizabeth Johnson, Teacher, RCE
Sally Hoover, Teacher, EMS
Kristi Fowler, Asst. Lead Teacher, SHE
Jamie Archer, Playground Para, RCE
John Madden, Bus Driver, Transportation

8.2 Transfers/changes
Raymond Zullo, Bus Driver, Transportation
Sharon Mohlis, Kitchen Manager, Food Services
Kelli Arko, Asst. Teacher, RCC/PS
Vicki Neer, Secretary, Admin

8.3 Terminations
Jean Moore, Sped Para, EMS
Mylynne Austgen, Bus Driver, Transportation
Sheri Trehal, Registrar, FHS

8.4 Substitutes
A motion to approve the consent agenda 8.1-8.5 as presented

Motion Moved by Director Hinds
Motion Seconded by Director Richardson

ROLL CALL:
Director Carol Hinds - aye
Director Dee Lindsey - aye
Director Chris Richardson - aye
Director Deb Spenceley - aye
Director Chip Swan - aye
Motion Carried 5-0

9.0 ACTION ITEMS
9.1 A motion was made to appoint Michele McCarron as the Designated Election Official

Motion moved by Director Carol
Motion seconded by Director Richardson

ROLL CALL:
Director Carol Hinds - aye
Director Dee Lindsey - aye
Director Chris Richardson - aye
Director Deb Spenceley - aye
Director Chip Swan - aye
Motion Carried 5-0

10.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS
10.1 DAC
The board discussed the District Accountability Committee. DAC would like to focus on the DUIP. The board is looking into other topics to direct DAC to focus on the school year.

10.2 Ambassador Program
The will continue with the Ambassador Program. Board Members will not be assigned a specific school but will be expected to participate in a variety of activities for all schools.

10.3 Legislative Priorities
The Board Members will be reviewing CASB’s resolutions that are being proposed at the upcoming 2014 Delegate Assembly.

10.4 Possible Bond/Mill Levy for Nov. 2014 Election
The board is considering two ballot questions for the November 2014 Election to address the district’s highest priority operating and critical infrastructure needs. The first is a mill levy override and would ask voters to allow the district to increase the level of local individual and business property taxes collected annually – for five years – by $1,000,000 in order to attract and retain talented teachers, improve classroom and instructional technology and enhance safety and security measures for students and staff. The second ballot question is for a bond measure, if approved by the board, would ask voters to allow the district to borrow $2,500,000. This would allow the district to address the urgent and critical infrastructure issues including leaking school roofs, inferior emergency and safety communication systems, and aging bus fleet.

11.0 BOARD PLANNING
The Board is scheduling a Special Board Meeting for September 4, 2014 at 9:30am. The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2014 at 7:00pm.

12.0 Executive Session  
No Executive Session

13.0 Adjournment  
The board meeting adjourned at 9:16pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deb Spenceley, President

Chip Swan, Vice President

Chris Richardson, Secretary

Carol Hinds, Treasurer

Dee Lindsey, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded by: Michele McCarron