

# Board Briefings

October 10, 2006 - Stevenson Administration Building  
An abbreviated board action report prepared by the Office of Communications

## School Board Spotlight

The Board recognized the following individuals, schools and organizations for their achievements:

- Caroline Amrol of Brockman Elementary School, first-place winner of the National Fire Prevention Week art contest sponsored by Visual and Performing Arts and the Columbia Fire Department
  
- District employees with five or more consecutive years of perfect attendance: Johnny Baker of the Waverley Administration Center, 5 years; Richard Barber of Dreher, 6 years; Tony Bookert from Financial Services, 6 years; Dr. Charles DeLaughter of Gadsden Elementary, 7 years; Lilease Hall of Columbia High; 5 years; Louis House of Columbia High, 6 years; Cynthia Pierce of Hand Middle, 6 years; Betty Sheehan from the Central Kitchen, 16 years; Billie Southard of Keenan High, 10 years; Barbara Sutton of Hand Middle, 9 years; and Carolyn Walker of Hyatt Park, 8 years
  
- Recipients of the 2005-06 Diane Harlin Excellence in Bookkeeping Awards: Angel Hawkins-Keels of Heyward Career & Technology Center; Terri Strauss of Hand Middle School; Deneen Middleton of Burton-Pack Elementary; Marilyn Scott of Meadowfield Elementary; and Susan Watts of Brockman Elementary
  
- The Columbia Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., which received an International Exemplary Programmatic Implementation Award from the Grand Chapter for its Delta Academy mentoring program at Alcorn Middle School

## Consent Agenda

The Board approved the following items:

- Minutes from the 9/26/06 meeting
- Hiring of Personnel
- Leave of Absence
- Contract Extensions for Furnishing and Installing Data Cabling and Laminator Maintenance and Repair Services

## Request to Rename Keenan High

Dr. Carlos Smith and James Starnes presented a recommendation to the Board from the Ad Hoc Committee on Naming Facilities not to rename the new Keenan High School as Booker T. Washington High, as requested by the BTW Foundation. The Board voted in favor of the committee's recommendation.

## EEDA Timelines

Dr. Ora Watson, executive director for secondary education, presented a report to the Board on timelines related to the implementation of the Education Economic Development Act (EEDA).

## Administrative Appointment

Dr. Odell Stuckey, interim chief human resources officer, reported as information to the Board that Dr. Ron Miles has been named the district's interim coordinator of guidance. Miles held the guidance coordinator position from November 1992 until his retirement in June 2001.

## Office of Operations

The Board approved the Administration's recommendation to deed the water and sewer lines for Hand Middle School to the City of Columbia, in order to provide adequate water and sewer services to the facility. The Board also voted to award a contract for music furniture and equipment to Wenger Corporation.

*The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of School Commissioners will be held October 24 at Logan Elementary School. Open session begins at 7 p.m. Board meeting minutes and agendas are posted online at [www.richlandone.org](http://www.richlandone.org); click on the School Board link.*