EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT 24 South Herren Avenue Ellsinore, MO 63937 News Release; August 22, 2013: Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION AUGUST 22, 2013 -REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING-

The Board President Andy Bowman called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m., in the East Carter Co. R-II Elementary Cafeteria. The following board members were present: John Walker, George Meyers, Andy Bowman, Rick Saffle, Kerie Amsden and Mark Hampton. Board Member Ben Thies was absent. Also present were the following: Superintendent Richard Sullivan, Elementary Principal Angie Bowman, Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey, High School Principal Robert Eudaley, Secretary Linda Sandage; Danielle Sullivan, Special Services Director, Norma Enochs, Pauletta Walker, Janice Risby and Janet Hampton.

-SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT-

Superintendent Richard Sullivan reported that K-12 enrollment is up seven students from August 2012. The electric bill was down \$3,711.18 from the same time last year. Mike Catlett, District Auditor will be back on campus August 28th for his second visit. The annual Black River League Fall Conference meeting will be held the evening of August 28, at Van Buren. This year East Carter Co R-II Schools will be hosting the High School Black River League Tournament and the Ozark Foothills Tournament. Mr. Sullivan reported that legislatively, if Governor Nixon's VETO of House Bill 253 is over-ridden, the Governor has indicated the effect could be a \$1.2 billion loss this year to Missouri. On the low end, this would mean \$250 million cut from k-12 education. To put this in perspective, he stated it would be the equivalent of laying off 5438 teachers throughout the state. These numbers were generated from the legislature's fiscal note attached to the bill. Mr. Sullivan ended his report with a discussion of this month's bills.

-MINUTES/BILLS-

The minutes of the July 25, 2013, regular board meeting were approved. Bills were presented and approved for payment.

-NEW BUSINESS-

The 2012-13 Annual Secretary of the Board Report and the bus routes subject to amendment as needed were approved by the Board. The Board also approved to offer employees whom are employed ¹/₂ time or greater, the same board paid contribution rate as full time, utilizing the district major medical plan. Vending companies were discussed. The following resolution was adopted: Pursuant to RSM0.165.011 the East Carter County R-II Board of Education authorizes the superintendent to transfer funds in the amount of \$74,730.00 from the incidental fund to the capital projects fund in an amount not to exceed that allowed by law for the purpose of replacing

the high school gym floor. The resignations of Luke Borcherding as Junior Beta Sponsor, Anthony Ketchem as Middle School Girls Assistant Basketball Coach and Tom Smith as bus driver were accepted. \$10,317.25 was transferred from Fund 1 to Fund 4.

-STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Kerie Amsden reported that the building committee had met in August; they will meet September 5, at 6:00 p.m. in the superintendent's office. She asked the building principals and Mr. Bowman to come if possible. Elementary Principal Angie Bowman expressed hers and the elementary staff and students thanks and appreciation of the generous donation from the Bank of Grandin for elementary play day and elementary student of the month. High School Principal Robert Eudaley reported that high school student enrollment was 224. Mr. Eudaley told the Board that Freshman Orientation went great and school is off to a good start. Yearbooks have arrived and are being distributed. Softball and baseball has started and the gym floor work is coming along.

-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

During executive session the Board appointed Laura Eudaley Jr. Beta Sponsor, Jana Douglas Middle School Girls Assistant Basketball Coach and the list of substitute teachers as presented for the 2013-14 year were approved by the Board

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Thursday September 26, 2013, 6:30 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria at 24 South Herren Avenue, Ellsinore, MO.