

Dermott Special School District
Regular Session July 17, 2018

The Dermott Special School District met in regular session on July 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Administration building.

Call to Order – Walter Donald

Prayer – Lucan Hargraves

Establish a Quorum: Walter Donald, Stephanie Jones, Lucan Hargraves, and Maxine Jones.

Board Minutes:

Motion made by Maxine Jones, second by Lucan Hargraves to approve the June 14, 2018 regular board minutes as presented. Passed 4-0

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Stephanie Jones to approve the July 9, 2018 special board minutes as presented. Passed 4-0

Lexa McMickle and Clarence Thrower arrived at 6:03.

Superintendent's Report - Warrants & Balances

Motion made by Lexa McMickle, second by Maxine Jones to approve the warrants and balances as presented. Passed 6-0

Mrs. Garner and Mrs. Hardin gave their principals' reports.

Executive Session: 6:27 – 7:25

Old Business:

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Clarence Thrower to table accepting the resignation of Caviha Leonard. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Stephanie Jones to purchase a Grasshopper mower not to exceed the amount of \$13,004.49. Passed 6-0

New Business:

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Maxine Jones to hire Laura Hughes as Dermott Elementary Counselor. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Clarence Thrower to hire Cecilia Jones as 4th grade Literacy/Social Studies teacher. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Lexa McMickle, second by Stephanie Jones to hire Floyd Gray as IT Administrator. He will be outsourced. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Maxine Jones to hire Walter Toney as the Junior High Head Football Coach/Weightlifting Coach. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Maxine Jones, second by Lucan Hargraves to hire Tarah Martin as K-12 Music teacher. Pending degree conferral on August 1, 2018. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Stephanie Jones, second by Maxine Jones to hire Wilbert Easterling as the Transportation Director. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Stephanie Jones, second by Maxine Jones to accept the Student Policies, Curriculum, School, Home, and Community Policies and the suggested changes made by the handbook committee. (2018-2019 Student Parent Handbook) Passed 6-0

Motion made by Lexa McMickle, second by Clarence Thrower to accept the bid from Scott's Petroleum for our gas and diesel. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Lexa McMickle, second by Clarence Thrower accept the bid from McGraw Hill for Science textbooks and resources for elementary and high school. The amount will be \$32,369.57 for both buildings. Passed 6-0

Concerns from board members:

Motion made by Clarence Thrower, second by Maxine Jones to hire a third person for the Administration Office. 3-3 vote, failed.

Motion made by Clarence Thrower, second by Lucan Hargraves to have an independent audit done for the district. 3-3 vote, failed.

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Clarence Thrower to restrict the spending of funds over \$5000.00 without board approval. 3-3 vote, failed.

Clarence Thrower made a motion to restrict the use of the school vehicles to school use only. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Clarence Thrower to include all financial statements each month in the board packets. 3-3 vote, failed.

There was no motion made for a bid for a school lawyer/attorney.

Motion made Lucan Hargraves, second from Clarence Thrower to have an employee forum on the first Thursday of each quarter beginning September 6 at 6:30 p.m. Passed 6-0

Motion made by Clarence Thrower, second by Stephanie Jones to start a public comment section from the audience with a 6 minute time limit per person. Passed 6-0

Next school board meeting August 9, 2018 at 6:30.

Motion made by Lucan Hargraves, second by Maxine Jones to adjourn. Passed 6-0

Adjourn – 8:47

President

Secretary