

Minutes of the Hermitage School Board Meeting

March 8, 2021

The Hermitage Board of Education met on Monday March 8, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the High School Cafeteria. The following members were present: Russell Richard; Mary Hamilton; Gary Vines; David Wilkerson; Dorothy Davis; and Reia Orr Thomas. Others present were: Dr. Tracy Tucker, Superintendent; Mistie McGhee-7-12 Principal/SIS; Rosalynda Ellis-K-6 Principal/SIS.

Mr. Harold Hampton was recognized by Russell Richard, Board President, for his service to the Hermitage School District Board of Directors from 2005-2021. Mr. Hampton resigned from the Board at the February meeting.

The motion to accept the minutes from the February 8, 2021 meeting was made by Mary Hamilton. The second was made by Dorothy Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

The Financial Report was reviewed. The motion to accept the report and pay bills was made by Mary Hamilton. The second was made by Gary Vines. The motion passed 6-0.

Mistie McGhee gave the 7-12 Principal's/SIS Report.

Rosalynda Ellis gave the K-6 Principal's/SIS Report.

Dr. Tracy Tucker gave the Superintendent's Report.

The motion to approve the audit report from the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee was made by Mary Hamilton. The second was made by Dorothy Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

A motion to amend the Ready for Learning Plan for the 2020-2021 school year to allow on-site instruction 5 days per week (switch to on-site instruction on Wednesday) for the months of April and May was made by David Wilkerson. The second was made by Gary Vines. The motion passed 6-0.

The motion to approve the school calendar for 2021-2022 school year was made by David Wilkerson. The second was made by Mary Hamilton. The motion passed 6-0.

The motion to approve the 2021-2022 Salary Schedules for Certified and Classified employees was made by David Wilkerson. The second was made by Dorothy Davis. The motion passed 6-0.

The motion to approve Technology Purchases using various funds was made by Mary Hamilton. The second was made by Gary Vines. The motion passed 6-0.

The motion to accept the recommendation to extend the Covid Emergency Leave Policies for Certified and Classified employees until June 2, 2021 with an amendment to include “unavoidable school related exposure” was made by Dorothy Davis. The second was made by Mary Hamilton. The motion passed 6-0.

Discussion on Digital Learning and ESSER II Funds was led by Dr. Tucker .

Discussion on the recently released grant for funding for a School Board Health Center was held and information from a recent webinar was shared. The Board decided that the district would not pursue this opportunity at this time because of the costs associated with the project.

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss Personnel. The Board came out of Executive Session.

The motion to accept the resignation of the following employees was made by Mary Hamilton: Nita Gilbert-Art; Tamera Otis-Aide, Russell Woodard-Bus Driver; Lacey Hollingsworth-Bus Driver; Rosalynda Ellis-Cheer Sponsor; Mistie McGhee-Cheer Sponsor; Matt Huitt-Softball Coach. The second was made by David Wilkerson. The motion was passed 6-0.

Gary Vines made the motion to adjourn. David Wilkerson made the second. The motion passed 6-0.

Board President

Date

Board Secretary

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