

## **MEETING MINUTES**

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### **Attendees**

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#### **Voting Members**

Mr. Paul Childress, Board President  
Mr. Justin Dorsey, Board Member  
Mr. Tadd Farmer, Board Member  
Mr. Luke Fulcher, Board Member  
Mr. Jarrod Hambric, Board Secretary  
Mrs. Karen Hammer, Board Member  
Mr. Jonathan Woolbright, Board Vice-President

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#### **I. Call to Order**

5:30 pm Meeting called to order by Board President, Paul Childress.

#### **II. Establishment of Quorum**

5:30 pm Members present: Paul Childress, Jarrod Hambric, Luke Fulcher, Karen Hammer, Tadd Farmer, Justin Dorsey

Members absent: Jonathan Woolbright

6:10 p.m. Jonathan Woolbright joined the meeting

#### **III. Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **IV. Panther Pride**

##### **A. National Merit Finalists**

##### **B. 2023 State Chess Champions**

#### **V. Consent Agenda**

5:35 pm Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion made by: Mrs. Karen Hammer

Motion seconded by: Mr. Tadd Farmer

Voting:

Mr. Paul Childress - Yes

Mr. Justin Dorsey - Yes

Mr. Tadd Farmer - Yes  
Mr. Luke Fulcher - Yes  
Mr. Jarrod Hambric - Yes  
Mrs. Karen Hammer - Yes  
Mr. Jonathan Woolbright - Not Present

**A. Reading of Previous Minutes**

**B. Financial Reports - Chris Hinson**

**C. Approval of Gifts/Donations**

**D. Approve City of Benton/SRO Invoice**

**E. Approve IDEA Part B (611) & (619) Funds for Special Education 2023-2024**

**VI. Action Items**

**A. Approval of Final 2022 Audit / Cobb & Suskie LTD - Chris Hinson**

5:38 pm Motion made to approve the Final Audit as presented by Chris Hinson, CFO.

Motion made by: Mr. Jarrod Hambric

Motion seconded by: Mr. Luke Fulcher

Voting:

Mr. Paul Childress - Yes

Mr. Justin Dorsey - Yes

Mr. Tadd Farmer - Yes

Mr. Luke Fulcher - Yes

Mr. Jarrod Hambric - Yes

Mrs. Karen Hammer - Yes

Mr. Jonathan Woolbright - Not Present

**B. Approve Playground Equipment Purchase - Howard Perrin PTO Matching Funds - Chris Hinson**

5:39 pm Motion made to approve the purchase of matching funds for Howard Perrin Play ground Equipment.

Motion made by: Mr. Luke Fulcher

Motion seconded by: Mr. Tadd Farmer

Voting:

Mr. Paul Childress - Yes

Mr. Justin Dorsey - Yes

Mr. Tadd Farmer - Yes

Mr. Luke Fulcher - Yes

Mr. Jarrod Hambric - Yes

Mrs. Karen Hammer - Yes

Mr. Jonathan Woolbright - Not Present

**C. Dawson CoOp CTE Consortium - Dan Breshears**

5:52 pm Motion made to approve the Dawson Coop CTE Consortium

Motion made by: Mr. Jarrod Hambric

Motion seconded by: Mr. Tadd Farmer

Voting:

Mr. Paul Childress - Yes

Mr. Justin Dorsey - No

Mr. Tadd Farmer - Yes

Mr. Luke Fulcher - Yes

Mr. Jarrod Hambric - Yes

Mrs. Karen Hammer - No

Mr. Jonathan Woolbright - Not Present

**D. Approve Capturing Kids Hearts DBD 2023-2024 (Contract) - Stacy DeFoor**

5:57 pm Motion made to approve the Capturing Kids Hearts DBD for 2023-2024.

Motion made by: Mr. Tadd Farmer

Motion seconded by: Mr. Jarrod Hambric

Voting:

Mr. Paul Childress - Yes

Mr. Justin Dorsey - Yes

Mr. Tadd Farmer - Yes

Mr. Luke Fulcher - Yes

Mr. Jarrod Hambric - Yes

Mrs. Karen Hammer - Yes

Mr. Jonathan Woolbright - Yes

**E. Approve ASBA Policy Change Recommended Deletion 8.23.1 - Dr. Larry Smith**

5:58 pm Motion made to approve the deletion of Policy 8.23.1 Classified Covid Leave recommended by ASBA.

Motion made by: Mr. Justin Dorsey

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Karen Hammer

Voting:

Mr. Paul Childress - Yes

Mr. Justin Dorsey - Yes

Mr. Tadd Farmer - Yes

Mr. Luke Fulcher - Yes

Mr. Jarrod Hambric - Yes

Mrs. Karen Hammer - Yes

Mr. Jonathan Woolbright - Not Present

**VII. Department Reports**

**A. Presentation: Transportation - Danny Revis**

**B. Athletics Report - Scott Neathery**

**C. Secondary Education Report - Dan Breshears**

**D. Elementary Education - Stacy DeFoor**

**E. Technology Report- Brian Lowrance**

**F. Public Relations - Jennifer Bradley**

**G. Facilities Report - Paul Tudor**

**H. Special Education Report - Angela McWhorter**

**I. Child Nutrition/Food Service Report - Stacy Adams**

**J. Bright Futures - Shameka Christon**

**VIII. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Anderson added the May 18 Graduation at UALR at 6:00 pm and the May 19 New Middle School Groundbreaking and Board Luncheon date.

**A. Friday, April 21, 2023 - Lunch with the Board 11:30am, Location TBA**

**B. May 3, 2023 - Benton School District Staff Retirement Celebration, PDC at 3:15pm**

**C. May 8, 2023 - Regular Board Meeting**

**IX. Executive Session (If needed)**

6:03 pm Board went into Executive Session.

6:10 pm Jonathan Woolbright joined the board meeting in executive session.

7:02 pm Board reconvened meeting.

**X. Personnel Recommendations/HR Report -Dr. Larry Smith**

7:02 pm Motion made to approve the Personnel Recommendations as presented.

Motion made by: Mrs. Karen Hammer

Motion seconded by: Mr. Luke Fulcher

Voting:

Mr. Paul Childress - Yes

Mr. Justin Dorsey - Yes

Mr. Tadd Farmer - Yes

Mr. Luke Fulcher - Yes

Mr. Jarrod Hambric - Yes

Mrs. Karen Hammer - Yes

Mr. Jonathan Woolbright - Yes

**XI. Adjournment**

7:03 pm Meeting Adjourned.