

Regular Session Minutes
July 22nd, 2019

The regular Limestone Walters Board Meeting was held on Monday, July 22nd, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Ken Herz; Matt Maher; Scott Jackson (arrived at 6:08 p.m.); Shannen Meyers; Bill Holt; Jeff Stear; Barry Campen; Tim Dotson and Sherry Rose.

Visitors were recognized. Guests were; Ms. Katie Robinson.

Communications: Board Secretary, Matt Maher, read thank you cards from the Barnett family for the use of the gym for Bill Barnett's visitation; from TAPS for the \$50.00 donation on behalf of the Holt family; and from Mitchell Leach for the scholarship received from Limestone Walters' PTO.

A motion was made by Barry Campen, and seconded by Shannen Meyers to approve the regular and executive session minutes of June 24th, 2019. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, abstain; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Mr. Dotson gave an overview of the Financial/Treasurer Reports.

A motion was made by Barry Campen, and seconded by Shannen Meyers, to approve the Financial report, Treasurer's report, and presentation of bills for payment. Edu. \$154,759.11; Bldg. \$23,723.20; Trans. \$124.46; IMRF & SS. \$2,520.55; Tort \$213.50; Life Safety \$0 Total: \$181,340.82. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Superintendent's Report:

- Summary of FY 19 Budget & CFST Update
- We received a thank you letter from the family of Bill Barnett. They were very appreciative of having the visitation at Limestone Walters. Donations in Bill's memory totaled \$1255.00. The family just asked that it be used towards something educational.
- Congratulations to Mitchell Leach and Maya Baker. They were the recipients of the PTO Scholarship Award of \$750 for one boy and one girl that are Limestone Walters graduates.
- Summer maintenance is making the stretch run. The hope is to have all projects completed by the week of August 5. The camera/door installation is near completion and it will add to the safety/security of the building.
- Handbook – no changes were recommended by the committee but we are including additional information regarding attendance requirements per the school code and the involvement of Project Target should that become an issue.

- The summer letter for parents and students for the 2019 – 2020 school year will be sent out on July 29th. One change we are looking to implement next year is to divide the K – 8 student population into 4 “houses” to create inclusion and improve school climate. A committee of teachers has been meeting over the summer. More of this initiative will be shared at Parent Information Night on August 14th at 6:30 PM. First Day of School is Thursday, August 15th.
- Next meeting is August 26, 2019.

New Business:

A motion was made by Matt Maher, and seconded by Shannen Meyers, to determine that the current Serious Safety Hazard Routes on file with IDOT remain unchanged. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Scott Jackson and seconded by Shannen Meyers to approve the milk and bread bids as presented. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Matt Maher, and seconded by Shannen Meyers to go into executive session at 6:22 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1). Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Ms. Katie Robinson left at 6:22 p.m.

A motion to come out of executive session at 7:45 p.m. was made by Scott Jackson, and seconded by Shannen Meyers. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Ms. Katie Robinson returned at 7:46 p.m.

A motion was made by Shannen Meyers and seconded by Barry Campen to approve the custodial contract with Vonachen Services with scheduling changes as discussed. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Scott Jackson and seconded by Shannen Meyers to hire Jennifer Shambaugh as the 2nd grade teacher for the 2019/2020 school year, pending a passed background check. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Scott Jackson and seconded by Matt Maher to hire Lisa Holt as a special education teacher for the 2019/2020 school year, pending a passed background check. Roll call:

Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, abstain; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Scott Jackson and seconded by Shannen Meyers to hire Beth Appen as a librarian/interventionist for the 2019/2020 school year, pending a passed background check. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Jeff Stear and seconded by Shannen Meyers to approve volunteer softball assistants Ryne Sewell and Lisa Jones for the 2019/2020 softball season. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Jeff Stear and seconded by Shannen Meyers to approve Fiscal year 2020 salaries for the non-certified staff, as presented. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. was made by Shannen Meyers, and seconded by Matt Maher. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.