Regular Session Minutes November 25th, 2019

The regular Limestone Walters Board Meeting was held on Monday, November 25th , 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Ken Herz; Matt Maher; Scott Jackson; Shannen Meyers; Bill Holt; Barry Campen; Tim Dotson and Sherry Rose. Absent: Jeff Stear.

Visitors were recognized. Guests were: Mrs. Lisa Shempf and Mr. Dave PTak.

A motion was made by Scott Jackson, and seconded by Matt Maher, to approve the regular session minutes of October 28th, 2019, as amended. Roll call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

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

A motion was made by Scott Jackson, and seconded by Shannen Meyers, to approve the Financial report, Treasurer's report, reimbursement of the Imprest Fund, and presentation of bills for payment. Edu. \$137,839.19; Bldg. \$13,929.64; Trans. \$12,331.46; IMRF & SS. \$4328.50; Tort \$21,086.00; Total: \$189,514.79. Roll Call: Matt Maher, aye; Scott Jackson, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Superintendent's Report:

- County Facility Sales Tax You will notice the amount continues to perform below previous years. Part of that decrease is due to fewer students reported.
- Part of the Capital Project bill that was passed will have the maintenance grants returning. Similar as previously \$50,000 match per district. More information should be coming out in January on how to apply.
- Part of our Flow-Through monies allowed for a one-time expenditure for special education. We are using those funds for AC and heat in the special education room. That work will start on Wednesday.
- Transportation Contract with First Student is in the last year of a 3 -year contract. We will be going to bid sometime in January.
- Other Legislative News Spring 2020
 - Consolidation (dual districts)
 - **Pensions**
 - Tax Freeze
 - Graduated Income Tax or "Fair Tax"
- Santa Breakfast is set for Saturday, December 14th from 9 11 AM. PTO always appreciate any and all help the Board can provide.

- "Nets For Vets" raised \$4700 this year that will sponsor 9 Veterans to attend the Honor Flight. We also are earning money for the Ronald McDonald House in our "house competitions." There will be a presentation on December 4th for those monies. Vietnam Veterans shared experience with students during all PE classes today.
- Winter Band Concert is December 9th and the K 4 Christmas Program is December 19th.
- Next meeting is *December 16, 2019 at 6 PM*.

New Business:

Matt Maher, Scott Jackson, Shannen Meyers, Barry Campen, Ken Herz and Mr. Dotson shared information they received from attending the various sessions at the Chicago Board Conference.

Mr. Dotson presented tentative tax levy scenarios along with the history of past levies for the Board to consider at the December meeting.

A motion was made by Shannon Meyers, and seconded by Scott Jackson to approve the board policies as presented. Roll call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Mrs. Shempf informed the Board of the wonderful accomplishments the Speech Team has had this year.

Mr. PTak thanked the Board for the opportunity to participate in some of the Superintendent's duties, as part of his internship.

Mr. Meyers informed the Board that he was going to try to get some vendors to come to the December Board meeting to present information on a new gym floor.

Mr. Campen asked Mr. Dotson how building maintenance was going with Vonachen.

Motion to adjourn at 8:41 p.m. was made by Scott Jackson, and seconded by Shannen Meyers. Roll call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Bill Holt, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.