

Marked Tree Board of Education
Regular Monthly Meeting
November 30, 2020
6:00 p.m.

The Board of Education met in a regular monthly meeting on November 30, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria. Members present were: Ms. Jessica Fernandez, Ms. Vickie Green, Ms. Dana Ashcraft, and Mr. Ryan Blankenship. Mr. Ira Lee Whitfield, Sr. joined meeting virtually. President Jessica Fernandez called the meeting to order.

Media Notified.

I. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING OCT. 19, 2020:

Mr. Ira Lee Whitfield, Sr. made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting. Motion was seconded by Ms. Dana Ashcraft. All voted in favor.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

The financial report was presented by Superintendent Matt Wright. Ms. Vickie Green made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ryan Blankenship. All voted in favor.

III. TMOBILEHOTSPOTS, PROJECT 10 MILLION GRANT INFORMATIONAL:

Superintendent Matt Wright informed board members that the district has received a total of 88 devices to be issued to students on Free & Reduced lunch. Each device contains 100gb of data for one year additional gb can be purchased for the devices using COVID relief funds. The student can keep the device for 5 years.

IV. RESOLUTION FOR BUSINESS:

Mr. Ira Lee Whitfield, Sr. made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to do business with Rebekah Routon and Rachael Routon for items not to exceed \$10,000.00. Motion was seconded by Ms. Dana Ashcraft. All voted in favor.

V. CONSIDER PROPOSED CALENDAR CHANGES – ACADEMIC RECOVERY DAYS/VIRTUAL LEARNING DAYS:

Mr. Ira Lee Whitfield, Sr. made a motion to approve the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to make changes to the FY21 calendar to include the first Wednesday of each month beginning January be designated as Virtual Learning Days and that the third Wednesday of each month beginning January be designated as Academic Recovery Days. Motion was seconded by Ms. Dana Ashcraft. All voted in favor.

VI. CONSIDER PROPOSED SALARY SCHEDULE CHANGES:

Mr. Ira Lee Whitfield, Sr. made a motion to approve the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to add a stipend for Transportation Director to the FY21 Salary Schedule for \$5,000. Motion was seconded by Ms. Vickie Green. All voted in favor.

VII. COVID UPDATES:

Superintendent Matt Wright reported 2 staff members are quarantined and 3 staff members in isolation and 10 students quarantined and one student in isolation.

VIII. PRINCIPAL REPORT:

Elementary Principal Lisa Gray announced that December 3 is parent/teacher conference.

IX. BOARD TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

Superintendent Matt Wright discussed virtual meeting with ASBA Dec. 9,10,11.

X. PERSONNEL:

President Jessica Fernandez called the meeting into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

President Jessica Fernandez called the meeting into Regular Session.

- a. Ms. Vickie Green made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to hire Dewayne Sparks part-time maintenance part-time bus mechanic retroactive to September 18. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ira Lee Whitfield, Sr. All voted in favor.
- b. Ms. Dana Ashcraft made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to hire Dianne Montgomery GT supervisor retroactive to August 24, 2020. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ryan Blankenship. All voted in favor.
- c. Ms. Vickie Green made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to hire Renita Courtney as Secondary Teacher retroactive to 11-16-2020. Motion was seconded by Ms. Dana Ashcraft. All voted in favor.
- d. Ms. Dana Ashcraft made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to hire Shannon Stokes as Aide retroactive to Nov. 9, 2020. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ryan Blankenship. All voted in favor.
- e. Mr. Ira Lee Whitfield, Sr. made a motion to accept the recommendation of Superintendent Matt Wright to add Transportation Director stipend to Chad Stoddard contract. Motion was seconded by Ms. Vickie Green. All voted in favor.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS (from BOARD MEMBERS):

No other business was discussed.

President Jessica Fernandez adjourned the meeting.

Ms. Jessica Fernandez
Board President

Ms. Dana Ashcraft
Board Secretary