

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNTAINBURG SCHOOL BOARD
MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020

5:45 P.M.

1. Call to order

Presiding officer was Jason Watkins, president. The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. Other board members present were Mike Moxley, Boyd Mize, Lesli France, and Emily Bassham. Administrators present were Dr. Debbie Atwell, Tandi Jones, Amanda Howard and Debbie Pinkerton.

2. Consent agenda (attachments)

A. Minutes of July meeting

B. Financial report

France moved to approve the consent agenda. Moxley seconded. Motion passed at 5:46 p.m.

3. Informational items

A. Learning Option Survey

Atwell explained the Learning Options survey and percentage of students choosing each option but it is not complete at this time

B. Blended Learning Update

Atwell explained blended learning and administrators reported on how their teachers will be handling this.

4. Regular agenda

A. Student Transfers

Atwell recommended the board approve transfer petitions from the following:

- Chance Billings transfer from Fort Smith to enroll in Mountainburg
- Emily Holsted transfer to enroll from Mountainburg to Cedarville
- Triiton Franz transfer from Mountainburg to enroll in K at Greenland

France moved to approve the recommendation. Mize seconded. Motion passed at 6:24 p.m.

B. District Support/Ready For Learning Plan

Atwell recommended the board approve the District Support Plan/Ready for Learning. The plan addresses the state's requirements for districts, requires board approval and to be posted and submitted to DESE by Sept 1. Moxley moved to approve the recommendation. France seconded. Motion passed at 6:25 p.m.

C. Personnel

Resignations

Atwell recommended the board accept the following resignations:

- Carmena Watson - paraprofessional, retirement after 35 years
- Deneice Wewer - ABC lead teacher, resignation
- Virgil Payne - bus driver, resignation
- Dona Hawley - custodian, resignation effective 8-3-20
- Bobbie Morris - ABC paraprofessional, contingent upon being hired as ABC Lead Teacher

France moved to approve the recommendation. Bassham seconded. Motion passed at 6:26

Hiring

Atwell recommended the board approve the following hires:

- Bobbie Morris - ABC Lead teacher (Bobbie is a certified teacher currently serving as ABC parapro) effective August 5
- Mariah Garrett for ABC parapro effective August 18
- Sonya Shaffer - bus route driver effective August 21
- Sonya Shaffer - custodian 220 day contract, 6 hours or .75 FTE, effective August 21
- Brandy Akins - custodian 220 day contract, 6 hour days or .75 FTE, effective August 18

Mize moved to approve the recommendation. France seconded. Motion passed at 6:34 p.m.

D. Board training

Atwell informed the board the Coop is offering two virtual board training sessions from 6:00-9:00:

- September 28 with APRSC
- November 2 with ASBA

Board discussed options and Atwell will also make sure the one hour on anti-bullying will be included as required.

Adjournment: Moxley moved to adjourn at 6:38 p.m. and Mize seconded.