

Regular Board Meeting Mammoth Spring Board of Education

Date: April 13, 2023

Members Present: Alexis Davis, Jamie McCradic, Devon Smoot, Shelia Young

Members Absent: Tasha Ward

Guests: See Attached

Meeting called to order at 6:57 p.m. by Shelia Young.

The agenda was approved on a motion made by Jamie McCradic. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 4-0.

Superintendent Whisnant gave district updates. She congratulated the Band for being State Champs. Concrete will be poured in front of the Admin building next week. Ms. Whisnant spoke briefly about each of the curriculum and instruction bills that have been signed by the Governor. She also spoke about her meeting with Department of Education Secretary Oliva. The current ACT Aspire test does not test our standards. The new ATLAS test will test Arkansas standards. End of Course tests will be conducted in High School. Teachers will be coded and evaluated as high impact, effective, below effective and unsatisfactory. The architect will be drawing up a design of what our school might look like in 10-20 years. Mr. Bennett and Ms. Baysinger spoke on the weekly radio spot about testing.

Mr. Taylor gave high school updates. There are 221 students with 93% attendance. Many events are taking place including baseball, softball, job shadowing, state FBLA and FCCLA competitions with FCCLA winning 1st in 5 events, and NHS new member induction. A fundraiser is planned for band state championship rings and banner. A parade is being planned for them.

Mr. Bennett gave elementary updates. Monthly care team meetings were held. Summer school will be held June 5-30. There are class trips being planned as well as a field day. State testing is next week. May 13 will be the graduation date for Pre School, Kindergarten and 6th grade. There are 290 students with 91.23% attendance.

Ms. Baysinger gave curriculum updates. Elementary testing begins next week. High School testing will be held the week of May 1st. For the math curriculum, we can order any with that reflects all areas as being green on EdReports. The math committee has narrowed the selection down to 3 curriculums: Into Math, Reveal Math, and IM.

Ms. Estes gave report from the PPC. The committee met to discuss the calendar options. A survey was sent out to the teachers and the majority voted for the alternative calendar.

Tasha Ward entered the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Tasha Ward to accept the alternative calendar for the 2023-2024 school year. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Jamie McCradic to approve the proposed 2023-2024 Certified Salary Schedule pending PPC approval. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Devon Smoot to approve the 2023-2024 Classified Salary Schedule. The motion was seconded by Jamie McCradic and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Alexis Davis to accept the house removal bid from Mills Excavation. The motion was seconded by Jamie McCradic and passed 5-0.

The board went into executive session at 7:44 p.m.

The board returned from executive session at 8:31 p.m.

A motion was made by Tasha Ward to accept the resignation of ten extra contract days from Jeanne Earls. The motion was seconded by Jamie McCradic and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Tasha Ward to hire Regina Stone as 4th grade teacher. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Jamie McCradic to hire Ladonna Stark for the 2023-2024 school year as a 12-month custodian beginning July 1, 2023. The motion was seconded by Devon Smoot and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Jamie McCradic to hire Lacey Lingenfelter, Shelly Ary, and Jessica Martin to teach summer school in the month of June, 2023. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Tasha Ward to hire Janet Smoot, Capri Turner, Tiffany Flynn, Whitney Lester, Jessie Corbett, Beth Thompson and Patty Hardin to teach summer school in the month of June, 2023. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Jamie McCradic to hire Wesley Thompson as a student worker this summer. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Alexis Davis to hire Rachel Huffmaster and Melissa Richey to work this summer. The motion was seconded by Devon Smoot and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Devon Smoot to hire Joe VanSlyke to help paint a building this summer. The motion was seconded by Jamie McCradic and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Tasha Ward to hire Paula VanSlyke to work as the school nurse during summer school. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Jamie McCradic to approve the substitute list. The motion was seconded by Alexis Davis and passed 5-0.

The May school board meeting will be changed to May 11, 2023, at the Dalton Fire House.

Motion was made by Devon Smoot to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jamie McCradic. Motion passed 5-0.

Approved: _____

President: _____ Secretary: _____