



Board of Education Meeting Minutes

[Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 6:00 p.m.]

In Attendance: Lindsey Gustafson, Eli Keller, Brian Maune, Shelby Thomas, Dr. Linda Remele, Tina Ward, Stephen Delaney

Absent: None

Call to Order

Dr. Linda Remele

Roll Call

Stephen Delaney

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes

Vote to approve Minutes from August 10, 2021 Meeting

- Motion by Eli Keller

- Seconded by Shelby Thomas

In Favor

Shelby Thomas, Stephen Delaney, Lindsey Gustafson, Tina Ward, Dr. Linda Remele, Eli Keller, Brian Maune

Opposed

(None)

Motion passed

Vote to approve Minutes from August 31, 2021 Meeting

- Motion by Shelby Thomas

- Seconded by Eli Keller

In Favor

Shelby Thomas, Stephen Delaney, Lindsey Gustafson, Tina Ward, Dr. Linda Remele, Eli Keller, Brian Maune

Opposed

(None)

Motion passed



Certified P.P.C. Presentation

Brenda Robinson, Certified PPC Chairperson, began by welcoming Ms. Gustafson to the Board. She gave a shout-out to ALL district staff, Mr. Johnson and Support Services, Dr. Warren and the COVID team, Dr. Smith and Learning Services, Ms. Rowlett and Payroll, Human Resources, Federal Programs, and everyone at Central Office for the work that was done to get the schools ready for another year and during a pandemic. Ms. Robinson stated that there are challenges however we are working together to resolve them. She acknowledged Mr. Keller and shared his sentiments stated during the last Special Board meeting regarding increasing teacher salaries in a fiscally efficient way. Ms. Robinson shared that salaries will be discussed at the next Certified PPC meeting. In closing, she thanked the administration for their efforts and making sure the District is following the law, as it relates to planning time, instructional time, etc.

Classified P.P.C. Presentation

There was no Classified PPC Presentation.

Reports

Plan 2000 Monitoring and Compliance Report - Dr. John McCraney/Dr. Janice Warren

2020-2021 Annual Discipline Report - Dr. Sherman Whitfield/Dr. Janice Warren

2020-2021 Annual Health Services Report - Cynthia Hines, RN/Dr. Janice Warren

Update of Census Restructuring - Dr. Janice Warren

Financial Updates

Ms. Rowlett

Construction Updates

Mr. Johnson

Action Items - Old Business

Intervenors Attorney's Fees/Costs - Dr. Charles McNulty/Devin Bates, Attorney

[Vote to reject counter offer for Attorney's Fees and Cost from the Intervenors](#)

[- Motion by Stephen Delaney](#)

[- Seconded by Eli Keller](#)

[In Favor](#)

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[Opposed](#)

[\(None\)](#)

[Motion passed](#)



Action Items - New Business

Board Policy 4.55P - Student Promotion and Retention - Dr. Yolaundra Williams

Vote to approve Board Policy 4.55P Student Promotion and Retention

- Motion by Shelby Thomas

- Seconded by Brian Maune

In Favor

Shelby Thomas, Stephen Delaney, Lindsey Gustafson, Tina Ward, Dr. Linda Remele, Eli Keller, Brian Maune

Opposed

(None)

Motion passed

New Auto Scrubbers - Tommy Farmer

Vote to approve purchase of Auto Scrubbers from Pettus Office Products

- Motion by Shelby Thomas

- Seconded by Stephen Delaney

In Favor

Shelby Thomas, Stephen Delaney, Lindsey Gustafson, Tina Ward, Dr. Linda Remele, Eli Keller, Brian Maune

Opposed

(None)

Motion passed

Violin Purchase for Expansion of Elementary Orchestra (Mills Feeder) - Jo Ann Koehler

Vote to approve Violin Purchase for Expansion of Elementary Orchestra (Mills Feeder)

- Motion by Stephen Delaney

- Seconded by Brian Maune

In Favor

Shelby Thomas, Stephen Delaney, Lindsey Gustafson, Tina Ward, Dr. Linda Remele, Brian Maune

Opposed

Eli Keller

Motion passed

Comments from the Board

There were no comments from the Board.



Superintendent's Comments

Dr. McNulty thanked Ms. Robinson for her shout-out and reiterated her statement about District staff. He stated that we are committed to staff, to students and the families of the District.

Dr. McNulty stated that successes are directly related to commitment and that it was his honor to serve the District. He shared that the District participated in Grandparent's Day and that he attended the celebration at College Station Elementary and acknowledged Ms. Ward's attendance as well. Dr. McNulty also stated that Meet the Teacher (Parent/Teacher Conferences) were Wednesday, September 16th and for parents to take advantage of that and for us to rejoice in the successes kids are having. He then yielded his time to Dr. Smith and Jessica Duff.

Ms. Duff shared that Dr. McNulty and herself had been selected and recognized across the city and state respectively. Dr. McNulty was selected as "Man on a Mission" by Little Rock Soiree magazine and will be featured in the November issue. Ms. Duff was selected as a Arkansas Top 100 Professionals and will be featured in the October issue.

Dr. Smith shared that she and Dr. McNulty have visited every school in the District, including the middle schools as they are implementing the block schedule, and are completing an audit of the building and the classrooms and has seen amazing things. She shared that she and Dr. Luttrell have met with each school's leadership team, i.e. administration and coaches to ensure that expectations are communicated and being met. Dr. Smith added that the MAPP assessments are complete, CFAs are being completed and the PLC's are happening. She stated that 30-day action plans are next; teachers are working hard and administrators are keeping students and staff safe.

Dr. McNulty added that he taught in Coach Flowers' Civic's class at Mills High School this week and interacted with some amazing scholars.

Consent Agenda

Vote to approve Consent Agenda

- Motion by Stephen Delaney
- Seconded by Shelby Thomas

In Favor

Shelby Thomas, Stephen Delaney, Lindsey Gustafson, Tina Ward, Dr. Linda Remele, Eli Keller, Brian Maune

Opposed

(None)

Motion passed

Board took a brief break before beginning hearing at 7:15pm



Employee Hearings/Level III Grievances

Vote to approve Superintendent's recommendation for the termination of the employment contract of Chasity Gwyn

- Motion by Lindsey Gustafson

- Seconded by Eli Keller

In Favor

Linda Remele, Stephen Delaney, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward, Brian Maune, Lindsey Gustafson, Eli Keller

Opposed

(None)

Motion passed

Adjournment

Vote to adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

-Motion by Shelby Thomas

-Seconded by Brian Maune

In Favor

Tina Ward, Lindsey Gustafson, Linda Remele, Stephen Delaney, Brian Maune, Eli Keller, Shelby Thomas

Opposed

(None)