

**BLEVINS SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**APRIL 11, 2022**  
**CAFETERIA**

The regular board meeting was held April 11, 2022 in the school cafeteria. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Laura Clark. Board members present: Laura Clark; Carl McGill; Cindy Parks; Janet Banister; Steve Dunham; and Dave Phillips.

Prayer was led by Dave Phillips, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Carl McGill made a motion to approve the minutes for the March 14, 2022 board meeting. Dave Phillips seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Dave Phillips made a motion to approve the March 31, 2022 financial report. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Laura Clark made a motion to amend the 2022-2023 school calendar: school will begin August 15, 2022 and end May 17, 2023. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Cindy Parks made a motion to amend the stipend schedule: added \$1000.00 stipend for Preschool Director. Dave Phillips seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Laura Clark made a motion to approve the \$42,743.54 purchase of Elementary Literacy Curriculum (Wit And Wisdom) from Great Minds. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Laura Clark made a motion to accept the High Priority District Recruitment and Retention Incentives List for the 2021-2022 school year — with the exception of non full-time employees which will receive one-half (pending correction by the State of Arkansas). Motion also includes an additional \$1,992.39 bonus for Preschool Director. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

High School Principal (Natalie Jones) provided a report to the board regarding the activities and academic status in the high school

Elementary Principal (Louise Keithley) provided a report to the board regarding activities and academic status in the elementary school.

Curriculum Coordinator (Autumn Reeder) provided a report to the board regarding steps the District is taking to increase test scores, and steps being taken to assist our teachers in improving academics in our district.

Federal Programs Coordinator (Stephanie Clark) provided a report to the board regarding steps the District is taking to ensure Blevins Schools remains in compliance with all Federal and State Requirements.

No Superintendent report.

The board went into executive session at 6:52 p.m. to discuss personnel issues and came out of executive session at 7:03 p.m.

Laura Clark made a motion to hire the following personnel: Alma Medlen as cafeteria worker effective April 21, 2022 (180 day contract); Maitha Pacho as cafeteria worker effective April 8, 2022; Judy White as paraprofessional for the 2022-2023 (180 day contract). The motion also included the following hires for the 2022-2023 school year: Dora Deanne Davis as secondary math teacher; Samantha Bobo as secondary math teacher; Cathy Rogers as Gifted and Talented teacher; and Shanna Smith as elementary teacher. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Laura Clark made a motion to accept the resignation of Ashley Dunham effective April 8, 2022. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote (Steve Dunham abstained).

Laura Clark made a motion to accept the resignation of Kayla Branham effective April 8, 2022. Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 5-0 vote (Steve Dunham abstained).

Laura Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

MINUTES:

BOARD PRESIDENT:

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EX-OFFICIO FINANCIAL OFFICER:

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