

BLEVINS SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 25, 2021
CAFETERIA

The regular board meeting was held October 25, 2021 in the school cafeteria (rescheduled from October 11th due to lack of quorum). The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Laura Clark. Board members present: Laura Clark; Carl McGill; Cindy Parks; and Janet Banister.

Prayer was led by Carl McGill, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

Janet Banister made a motion to approve the minutes for the September 27, 2021 board meeting. Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Cindy Parks made a motion to approve the September 30, 2021 financial report. Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Janet Banister made a motion to accept the bid from K&J Fencing for \$27,579.70 to remove the current fence around the elementary playground and install a 6 foot chain link fence. Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote. (NOTE: The board received 3 bids).

Cindy Parks made a motion to purchase an International 77-passenger bus for \$98,950.00 (2023 Integrated CES Bus - PB105). Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote. NOTE: The purchase is pending approval from the state to use ESSER funds. (The board received 3 bids).

Cindy Parks made a motion to accept the bid of \$113,601.02 from Johnson Controls for the purchase of cameras for all Blevins School District campuses. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote. NOTE: The purchase is pending approval from the state to use ESSER funds. (The board received 3 bids).

Cindy Parks made a motion to remove the "R" off of RNurse on the Classified Salary Schedule for the 2021-2022 school year. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

The Gifted And Talented Annual Report was reviewed by the board. No action was taken.

Laura Clark made a motion to allow FCCLA to run the concession stand at basketball games. The club/organization will be paid \$25.00 per game except for the Blevins jamboree and Junior High Tournament games. The FCCLA will split the profits after expenses with athletics for those events/games. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Laura Clark made a motion to accept the Arkansas Department Of Education Annual Equity Compliance Report for School Year 2021-2022 . Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Laura Clark made a motion to approve the changes/updates to the Ready For Learning Plan. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Janet Banister made a motion to approve the Arkansas Division Of Elementary And Secondary Education Minority Teacher And Administrator Recruitment Plan. Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote. NOTE: Motion included approval of both the long-term and short-term plans.

High School Principal (Natalie Jones) updated the board on activities and academic status in the high school

Elementary Principal (Louise Keithley), not present, provided a report to the board regarding activities and academic status in the elementary school.

Curriculum Coordinator (Autumn Reeder), not present, 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), not present, 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.

Superintendent Stephanie Dixon updated the board on items that she and her administrative staff are working on to improve the Blevins School District for our students, staff, and community.

Cindy Parks made a motion to approve the purchase of 35 Microsoft Surface Go2 Touch Screen Computers for \$15,345.75 from CDW-G. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote. (NOTE: The Blevins School District will submit the ECF-FCC form to seek reimbursement from the Emergency Connectivity Fund/Grant).

Cindy Parks made a motion to: accept the resignation of April Madison as school nurse effective September 30, 2021; hire Amanda Frederick as school nurse beginning October 1, 2021; reassign Tamara Powell (paraprofessional) to Point Of Contact (POC) part-time; accept the resignation of Hannah Sharp as custodian effective 10-21-2021. Janet Banister seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote. (NOTE: All start dates are dependent upon new hires passing a background check).

Janet Banister made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Carl McGill seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

MINUTES:

BOARD PRESIDENT:

EX-OFFICIO FINANCIAL OFFICER:
