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BOARD MINUTES
September 13, 2017

President Susan Stewart welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:44. President Stewart established a quorum with 19 board members present.

The consent agenda which consisted of the June minutes and June, July and August financial reports were approved. Motion to approve by Ronnie Kissire, second by Nancy Anderson and the motion carried.

Beth Neel gave a report on the professional development consortia. Tonja Lewis addressed the board concerning the ABC memorandum of understanding that each district received stating the partnership between the schools and Dawson Co-op. Brad Sullivan with the Henderson State ERZ program spoke to the group concerning his program and offered his assistance to Dawson schools.

At 11:00 the board went into Executive Session. Regular session resumed at 11:05.

Under action items there was a motion by Ronnie Kissire, second by Jerry Newton and the motion carried to approve the following for Executive Committee:

Mike Skelton – Saline County
Allen Blackwell – Clark County

Director Darin Beckwith presented to the board a phone system upgrade through Telecomp. The last phone system upgrade was done in 2005. The cost of the new system would be \$40,644.62. Ronnie Kissire made the motion to approve, second by Danny Thomas and the motion carried.

Veronica Nelson presented the annual financial report and 2017-2018 budget. A motion was made by Danny Thomas and second by Allen Blackwell to approve. The motion carried.

A motion by Ronnie Kissire, second by Steve Anderson and the motion carried to approve the following personnel changes:

Hires:

Mollie Doolin – ADE Literacy Specialist - Range 4, Step 23
Schelly Graves – ABC Teacher – Range 1, Step 3
Shelby Crawley – ABC Paraprofessional – Range 3, Step 2

Anne Puegues – ABC Paraprofessional – Range 3, Step 1
Darcell Preston – HIPPY Para – Range 1, Step 14
Angela Clark – HIPPY Paraprofessional – Range 1, Step 13
Fangyu Shang – Data Analyst for ADE - \$20 per hour
Alexis Gray – ABC Paraprofessional – Range 2, Step 6
Oakley Atkinson – Aviation Instructor Virtual AR – Range 1, Step 5
Amy Woodard – ABC Teacher – Range 1, Step 9
Ashley Griggs – ABC Teacher – Range 1, Step 2
John Miller – Adjunct Virtual Arkansas – Paid per number of students
Treanna Ousley – ABC Para – Range 3, Step 4
Amy Watts – ABC Para – Range 3, Step 4
Tipton Boling – ABC Para – Range 2, Step 20
Allison Porter – Virtual Arkansas - \$12 per hour Paraprofessional
Tyleranne Lindberg – Virtual Arkansas - \$12 per hour Paraprofessional
Brookes Mays – Virtual Arkansas - \$12 per hour Paraprofessional
Reagan Parsons – Virtual Arkansas - \$12 per hour Paraprofessional
Lauren Ray – Virtual Arkansas - \$12 per hour Paraprofessional
Brittany Rogers – ADE School Health Grant Manager – Range 2, Step 1

Resignations:

Breanna Johnson – ABC Paraprofessional
Charles Rook – Virtual Arkansas Instructor
Jennifer Coleman – Early Childhood
Ashley Boutzale – HIPPY
Sandra Pinkstaff – ESVI ADE
Angela Bershers – ABC
Kayla Hamlin – ABC
Ramsi Duke – ABC Teacher
Angela Clark - HIPPY

During Superintendent's Forum the following was discussed: Alternate method of instruction during inclement weather, Dr. Donnie Whitten wished the districts with a mileage campaign good luck, RAVE, FOIA requests, Angel Sense and faculty training for cardiac arrests.

Director Beckwith informed the group that school board training would be offered at Dawson on October 9 & 23 at 5:30. He talked to the group about two lifts that are owned by the consortia, both being old and not drive around he would like to trade those in for another drive around lift. The new lift would cost \$3,500. The Superintendents will receive an email to see who would be interested in being a part of the new lift consortia. Also discussed was the possibility of purchasing the old church on the corner of 7th and Caddo Streets to convert to a parking lot. It was the general consensus of the group that it would be good to check into this.

A motion to adjourn by Shawn Cook, second by Danny Thomas and the meeting was adjourned at 12:01.

The next meeting will be October 11, 2017 at Dawson Co-op in the Conference Center.

Board President Signature