# BEEBE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

# Regular Meeting December 19, 2022

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Jason Smith, President

Mr. Bennie Brock Jr., Vice President

Mr. Clay Goff, Secretary

Mrs. Martha Farmer, Member

Mr. Chris McElmurry, Member

### **ALSO PRESENT**

Dr. Chris Nail, Superintendent

Dr. Rick Duff, Assistant Superintendent

Dr. Scott Embrey, Assistant Superintendent

Mrs. Holly Glover, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Mr. Ryan Marshall, Director of Athletics and Safety

Mrs. Jessica Prothro, Asst. Director of Communications and Recorder of Minutes

Visitors and Media

The Beebe Board of Education met in a regular session on Monday, December 19, 2022, in the Beebe School Board Meeting Room.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Jason Smith, President, called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

#### II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Nail presented the Agenda with no changes.

Clay Goff made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Bennie Brock Jr.

**VOTE:** For -5 Against -0

#### III. EXPULSION HEARINGS

A. The Board entered a Closed Expulsion Hearing for Student O.O. (Student ID# 900005020). Mr. Cody Kees introduced the details of

the hearing and explained that the family of the student was agreeable to the expulsion. At the request of members of the board, Dr. Karla Tarkington explained the circumstances of the expulsion recommendation.

B. The Board entered a Closed Expulsion Hearing for Student J.D. (Student ID# 900002155). Mr. Cody Kees introduced the details of the hearing. Mr. Zeb Prothro then explained the circumstances of the expulsion recommendation.

Mr. Clay Goff made a motion that the Board enter into Executive Session at 3:46 pm, seconded by Bennie Brock Jr. The Board returned from Executive Session at 3:57 pm.

In the case of Student O.O., Jason Smith made a motion to modify the superintendent's expulsion recommendation to state that in order for the student to return to on campus learning at the end of the expulsion period, he must participate in a school-provided mental health plan and must participate in a mental health assessment prior to re-entry. Bennie Brock, Jr. seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** For -5 Against -0

The student's expulsion period will be from December 20, 2022 through May 26, 2023, if he is able to meet the established criteria. The student will continue to receive educational services via an online platform.

In the case of Student J.D., Clay Goff made a motion to uphold the superintendent's recommendation that the student be expelled for the remainder of the 2022-23 school year. Martha Farmer seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** For -5 Against -0

The student's expulsion period will be from December 20, 2022 through May 26, 2023. The student will continue to receive educational services via an online platform.

#### IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Dr. Nail presented the monthly Superintendent's Report to the board.
- B. Mr. Rollins presented the annual Elementary update to the board.

## V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Dr. Nail presented the November Board Meeting minutes for approval with no changes or additions.

Chris McElmurry made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Martha Farmer.

**VOTE:** For -5 Against -0

B. Dr. Duff presented the November Financial Report for approval.

Bennie Brock, Jr. made a motion to approve the Financial Report as presented, seconded by Clay Goff.

**VOTE:** For -5 Against -0

#### VI. ACTION ITEMS

A. Purchases over \$23,100 -

Dr. Duff presented for approval two (2) purchases over \$23,100: 1) Updated Bus Wifi Agreement. The complete solution, installed is a single investment of \$2,079.99 per bus (\$83,199.60) plus \$7,904.00 in taxes for a total of \$91,103.00. Beebe Schools will be reimbursed for the purchase amount, but not reimbursed for taxes (approximately \$7,904.00) on the initial investment of 40 devices. 2) BenQ interactive boards for Beebe Early Childhood, with a cost not to exceed \$42,000.00.

Martha Farmer made a motion to approve the purchases as presented, seconded by Chris McElmurry.

**VOTE:** For -5 Against -0

B. Legal Transfers -

Dr. Embrey presented for approval ten (10) legal transfers into the district.

Chris McElmurry made a motion to approve the transfers as presented, seconded by Clay Goff.

**VOTE:** For -4 Against -0

Mr. Brock abstained from the vote due to one of the transfers being one of his students.

C. SEAS Agreement -

Dr. Duff presented for approval that the district continue its contract with SEAS to provide Medicaid billing services to the district.

Martha Farmer made a motion to approve the contract as presented, seconded by Bennie Brock Jr.

**VOTE:** For -5 Against -0

#### VII. STUDENT RECOGNITION

- A. Beebe Middle School Spelling Bee winners were recognized.
  - a. 5th Grade: 1st Don Villatoro, 2nd Kaylun Murillo, Alternate Dannica Butler
  - 6th Grade: 1st Sidney Angus, 2nd JT Estes, Alternate Violet Edwards
- B. Beebe Middle School students were recognized for high achievement on the ACT Aspire:
  - a. 5th Grade: Literacy Kami Raines, Amber Jackson, Keelei Rhoades; Math Ty Morales
  - b. 6th Grade: Literacy Christian Marler; Math Kyran Stillman
- C. High School Art students were recognized for creating patriotic greeting cards for the American Legion:
  - a. Top 3:, Land of the Free by Aaron Gooch, Flying Through History by Rinrada Seeboonruang, Field of Freedom by Katelyn Manning
  - b. Additional Cards: Vacation by Aramina Rosenlund, Navy Rose by Audrey Alexander, Not Forgotten by Emma Burrow, Waterfall Erin Schuyler, Medal of Valor by Hannah Wisman, Saluting Silhouette by Kaley Bennett, Brave One by Katelyn Binsted, Patriotic Buffalo by Shelby Channing, Peace Dove by Tayler Warren, Statue Medley by Ty Landers, Liberty Bell by V Eatmon, Remembering by Zane Fowler

#### VIII. ADJOURN

Bennie Brock Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:51 pm, seconded by Martha Farmer.

VOTE: For -5 Against -0