

Minutes of the Hermitage School Board Meeting

June 7, 2018

The Hermitage Board of Education met Thursday, June 7, 2018 in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the Hermitage School District Board Room. The following members were present: Russell Richard, Kevin Reep, Gary Vines, David Wilkerson (arrived at 8:11 PM) and Harold Hampton. Dr. Tracy Tucker, Superintendent, was in attendance, as well as Mistie McGhee, 7-12 Principal/SIS.

The minutes from the April 9, 2018 meeting were read. The motion to approve was made by Harold Hampton. The second was by Kevin Reep. The motion passed 4-0.

The financial report was reviewed. The motion to accept the financial report and pay bills was made by Gary Vines. The second was by Kevin Reep. The motion passed 4-0.

Harold Hampton made a motion for the school board officers to remain the same for the 2018-2019 school year. The second was by Gary Vines. The motion passed 4-0.

Kevin Reep made the motion to appoint Russell Richard as the board disbursing officer, with alternatives being Kevin Reep, Harold Hampton, Mary Hamilton, and Gary Vines. Dr. Tracy Tucker and Leslie Huitt are ex-officio disbursing agents and Leslie Huitt will remain as District Treasurer/Business Manager. The second was by Harold Hampton. The motion passed 4-0.

Mistie McGhee gave the 7-12 Principal/SIS report.

Dr. Tucker gave the Superintendent's Report to the Board.

The Office of Education Policy at the University of Arkansas in its Outstanding Educational Performance Awards Press Release recognized Hermitage Elementary School. The elementary school was recognized for High Overall Growth at the elementary level in the southeast region of Arkansas, as well as for High Math Growth and High ELA Growth in the southeast region of Arkansas. Information was shared with the Board on how the winners were named. Congratulations were extended to the elementary staff for their work to earn this recognition.

A motion to approve the Resolution in support of the Bradley County Mitigation Plan was made by Kevin Reep. The second was by Harold Hampton. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion to authorize Leslie Huitt to transfer surplus money (estimated at around \$110,000) at the end of the fiscal year over to the building fund was made by Harold Hampton. The second was by Gary Vines. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion to accept the Procurement Plan for Child Nutrition was made by Kevin Reep. The second was by Gary Vines. The motion passed 4-0.

Discussion was held on 8-Man football in Arkansas.

Bids were solicited for unused surplus property. The sealed bids were opened. The motion was made by Kevin Reep to accept the bids of \$267.00 for the 1996 Bluebird, \$255.00 for the 1991 Bluebird, \$274.00 for the 1997 Spartan, and \$263.49 for the 1997 Spartan. The bids for the Chevrolet truck and W and W trailer were rejected. The second was by Harold Hampton. The motion passed 4-0.

The motion to approve a request to purchase an additional Chromebook Cart, estimated around \$30,000 from state contracts, was made by Harold Hampton. The second was by Kevin Reep. The motion passed 4-0.

The motion to approve a request to purchase a truck from the state vehicle list for up to \$25,000 was made by Kevin Reep. The second was by Gary Vines. The motion passed 4-0.

The motion to approve one-time bonuses from money awarded to the Hermitage Pre-K from the state of Arkansas in the amount of \$500 for qualified staff members and \$250 for staff members on a SQP (totaling \$2250; \$3000 remaining will be spent on materials and supplies) was made by Kevin Reep. The second was by Harold Hampton. The motion passed 4-0.

The motion to accept the quote from CertaPro Painters (Secure Services, LLC.) from state contract for painting at the elementary school totaling \$13,600 was made by Gary Vines. The second was by Harold Hampton. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion to approve the MOU for the Migrant Education program, which is now granted from and supervised by the Arkansas Department of Education, was made by Kevin Reep. The second was by Gary Vines. The motion passed 4-0.

A motion to approve a request to purchase kitchen equipment for both kitchens from vendors on the state contract list estimated to cost up to \$75,000 was made by Harold Hampton. The second was by Kevin Reep. The motion passed 4-0.

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. The Board came out of Executive Session.

Resignations were read from Tammy Knuckles-retirement, Kristi Clanton, Alicia Mann, Jill Ferrell, Samantha Breedlove, and Felecia Doster-music/band. The motion to accept the resignations was made by Kevin Reep. The second was by Gary Vines. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made to accept the non-renewal of Yulonda Lowry by Harold Hampton. The second was by Kevin Reep. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made to hire Dakotah Timmons-literacy, Felecia Doster-science, Theresa Cooper-literacy, Samantha Newton-Pre-K, Jakki Woodall-migrant (pending ADE grant approval), Alicia Avery (transfer to high school position), Kristy Armstrong-elementary/special education para-professional; Jamie Corker-High School Parental Involvement, and Nate Davis (transfer from baseball to softball) was made by Harold Hampton. The second was by Kevin Reep. The motion passed 5-0.

Russell Richard left the meeting.

A motion to hire Lisa Higgins-business teacher with extended days was made by Harold Hampton. The second was by David Wilkerson. The motion passed 4-0

Russell Richard returned to the meeting.

The motion to adjourn was made by Harold Hampton. The second was by Kevin Reep. The motion passed 5-0.

President

Date

Secretary

Date