MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

RegularBoard Room6:30pmMay 9, 2019MeetingPlaceTimeDate

MEMBERS

PRESENT ABSENT

Robert Curtis: President

Michael Springer: Vice-President

Danny Loyd: Secretary Brandy Moore: Member Alfonso Vasquez: Member

1. Call to Order and Roll Call by Mr. Curtis. All Present.

- 2. Mr. Springer made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting on April 11, 2019 and the special meetings held on April 23, April 24, April 25, April 26 and May 2, 2019. Mr. Vasquez seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 3. Mr. Vasquez moved to approve the April financial report as presented by Ms. Forst. Ms. Moore seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 4. Mr. Ray Beardsley with First Security Beardsley Public Finance presented the Board with information about financial options including a request to refund the 9/1/2015 bonds and to extend the existing 14.0 debit mills through 2049, which would result in approximately \$1,650,000 available for projects, but nothing for operating expenditures such as salaries. Mr. Beardsley shared information about millage rates across the state compared to our District. We currently have 39.0 mills with a value of each mill of \$32,030. Ranking 109th out of 235 Districts sorted by millage high to low. No action taken.
- 5. Mr. Bunch informed the Board that the District Audit for period ending 6/30/18 has been published by Arkansas Legislative Audit with one finding of material weakness in regards to internal control. The District does not have sufficient staff in the administrative office to avoid this finding, but the latest auditors have established more controls that might allow them to categorize the finding as supplemental instead of material in the future. Each Board member has a copy of the audit and it is also available on the District website under State Required information.
- 6. Mr. Loyd made a motion to approve the Special Education Assurance and Agreements for the school year 2019-2020 including the Certification Regarding Lobbying. Second by Ms. Moore. Motion passed unanimously
- 7. Mr. Bunch informed the Board that per Child Nutrition regulations the District must increase full paid student lunch prices for the 2019-2020 school year by \$.05. Mr. Springer moved to increase full paid student lunch prices for the 2019-2020 school year to \$1.65 from \$1.60. Ms. Moore seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 8. Mr. Bunch informed the Board that the Personnel Policy Committees requested a change to the 2019-2020 calendar to move the April break from the 24th and 27th to the 10th and 13th to coincide with Easter weekend. Mr. Vasquez made a motion to change the 2019-2020 school calendar to reflect the April break as the 10th and the 13th instead of the 24th and 27th. Second by Mr. Springer. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9. Mr. Bunch recommended the renewal of the contract for consultant services with Harvie Nichols, DBA CH Educational Services, Inc. for the 2019-2020 school year. Mr. Nichols services include, but are not limited to, preparing our Master Plan document as required by the Arkansas Division of Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation. Mr. Loyd made a motion to renew the

- contract with CH Educational Services, Inc. for the 2019-2020 school year. Ms. Moore seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.
- 10. Mr. Bunch recommended renewing the contract with Building Blocks Pediatric Therapy, PA. Mr. Vasquez made a motion to renew our contract for occupational, physical and speech therapy services with Building Blocks Pediatric Therapy, PA for the 2019-2020 school year. Second by Mr. Loyd. Motion passed unanimously.
- 11. Mr. Bunch recommended renewing the contract with Tiffany A. Boster-Poor. Mr. Springer made a motion to renew our contract with Tiffany A. Boster-Poor, MED., CCC-SLP LLC, for school psychometry services for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion seconded by Mr. Vasquez. Motion passed 5-0.
- 12. Mr. Bunch proposed the Board adopt a consent agenda, which combines the approval of minutes and finance report based on the Board packet sent prior to the Board meeting. No action taken.
- 13. Mr. Curtis called an executive session at 7:17 pm and requested Mr. Bunch stay in session with the Board to discuss personnel. The Board returned to open session at 7:51 pm. Based on Mr. Bunch's recommendations, the following actions were taken.
 - a. Motion by Mr. Springer to accept Misty Cotton's resignation as Senior High Cheer Sponsor. Second by Ms. Moore. Motion passed 5-0.
 - b. Motion by Mr. Vasquez to reassign Whitney Mikles from Junior High to Senior High Cheer Sponsor. Second by Mr. Springer. Motion passed 5-0.
 - c. Motion to hire Brooke Bolinger as Junior High Cheer Sponsor by Ms. Moore. Second Mr. Loyd. Motion passed 5-0.
- 14. Mr. Bunch recommended hiring the following summer staff:
 - a. ACT Prep English: Donna Riddle two weeks
 - b. ACT Prep Math/Science: Clara Gordon one week; Thomas Riddle one week.
 - c. Drivers Ed: Randy Loyd
 - d. RTI/Literacy: Dana Goff
 - e. Elementary Library: Delania Ryan-Smith and Marlena Hyatt
 Mr. Vasquez made a motion to hire the above named individuals for summer staffing
 needs. Mr. Springer seconded the motion. It passed 5-0.
- 15. Mr. Bunch and Mrs. Gipson recommended keeping MOP open during the summer break even if student numbers aren't enough to cover costs, because it is a service to our faculty, staff and other members of the community. Mr. Vasquez moved to keep MOP open this summer. Ms. Moore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- 16. Board members discussed upcoming professional development opportunities. Ms. Moore made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Vasquez seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

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