MENA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING BOARD ROOM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Robert Hines, Brian Kesterson, Todd Aynes, Judith Roberson, Edd Puckett, and Kyle Cannon.

Members absent: Clint Montgomery

Judith Roberson made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Brian Kesterson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

In the Superintendent's Report, the board received a handout and Mr. Weston highlighted several legislative bills concerning possible education budget cuts and enrollment. Mr. Weston also read newspaper articles covering the current legislative sessions.

Mr. Weston read a list of accomplishments and honors recently received by Mena High band members. Also, Senior High Band Director, Charles Morgan, will be inducted into the National Honor Band Society.

Mr. Weston asked Danny Minton to present proposals from Harrison Energy Partners Proposal and Middleton Heating and Air from Bryant. The proposals are for renewal agreements on Trane HVAC equipment at Mena High School. The proposals include repairs on a chiller at Mena High School and one evaporator coil on the Performing Arts Center. After discussion, Kyle Cannon made a motion to renew the HVAC scheduled maintenance agreement with Harrison Energy Partners for a period of three (3) years, February 1, 2017 - January 31, 2020. Brian Kesterson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Weston informed the board the district 2015-2016 audit is complete and the report stated there were no audit findings. Judith Roberson made a motion to accept the audit report as presented. Edd Puckett seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Weston reported on school bus driver records check. A letter from the Arkansas Division of Public School Academic Facilities & Transportation stated: The District was not found to be deficient in any area at this time. No action was taken.

Jeanne Smith, Assistant Superintendent, presented the 2017-2018 school calendar as voted on by Certified Personnel. After discussion, Kyle Cannon made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 school calendar. Brian Kesterson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Due to regular March board meeting falling during Spring Break, Mr. Weston requested the March board meeting be moved to March 28, 2017.

Mr. Weston added the Arkansas School Boards Association model policy service contract renewal to the agenda. After discussion, Kyle Cannon made a motion to renew the policy service for a period of three (3) years with yearly installments of \$950.00. Edd Puckett seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Edd Puckett made a motion to pay the bills. Judith Roberson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Weston asked to add Shane Torix, Mena High School Principal, to the agenda. Mr. Torix requested Board approval to enter into a lease agreement for 33 teacher computers for Mena High School. The three (3) year lease would use high school ACSIP money at a cost of \$11,109.02. Judith Roberson made a motion to approve the lease agreement for a period of three (3) years for 33 Mena High School teacher computers. Brian Kesterson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Weston asked to add property located on Bolton Avenue to the agenda. The owner has contacted the district the property is for sale. No action was taken.

Mr. Weston recommended the resignation of Paula Hale, Cafeteria, Mena High School, effective February 2, 2017. Kyle Cannon made a motion to approve Mr. Weston's resignation recommendation. Judith Roberson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Weston recommend the resignation of Lisa Roberts, Administration Secretary I, effective February 24, 2017. This position will be absorbed and not replaced. Judith Roberson made a motion to approve Mr. Weston's resignation recommendation. Brian Kesterson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Weston recommended the following renewal of administration contracts for the 2017-2018 school years:

Jeanne Smith, Assistant Superintendent
Paulette Sherrer, Federal Programs Coordinator
Shane Torix, Principal, Mena High School
Steven Breedlove, Assistant Principal, Mena High School
Clifton Sherrer, Principal, Mena Middle School
Todd Coogan, Assistant Principal, Mena Middle School
Tamara Smart, Principal, Holly Harshman Elementary
Jimma Holder, Principal, Louise Durham Elementary
Mike Hobson, District AE Director

Kyle Cannon made a motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to renew administration contracts for the 2017-2018 school years. Judith Roberson seconded the motion and motion carried 6-0.

With no further business, Judith Roberson moved for adjournment, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Hines, President

Brian Kesterson, Secretary