

**WHITE HALL SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

REGULAR MEETING **Julius S. Brown Admin. Building** **Tuesday October 11, 2016**

PRESENT

Roy Agee
Dr. Doug Coleman
Dr. Ray Jones, President
Scott Lockhart
Rebecca Pittillo, Secretary
Larry Smith, Superintendent

ABSENT

Connie Medsker
Scott Ray, Vice President

The White Hall School Board met in a regular meeting Tuesday October 11, 2016 with all the Board Members present except Mrs. Connie Medsker and Mr. Scott Ray.

Dr. Coleman opened the meeting with prayer and Mr. Scott Lockhart led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Dr. Coleman motioned and Mr. Agee seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented to the School Board,

- Approval of Minutes- September 13, 2016
- Approval of Facility Use Request from White Hall Elementary Basketball
- Approval of Facility Use Request from Redfield Police Department
- Approval of Claims

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Ray Jones thanked Mrs. Welch for her presentation of the Annual Report to the Public on the Districts ACSIP and Parental Plan for 2016-2017. He welcomed our new board member, Scott Lockhart to the meeting after getting sworn in by Judge Kim Bridgforth. He also recognized three of our student teachers who were in attendance at the board meeting.

Mrs. Dottie Strahan, Chairman of the CTE Department, addressed the board to introduce them to the new Banking Program that began this year at the White Hall High School. The Business department received a Grant from the Department of Career Education for Banking. The grant funds enabled WHHS to partner with Relyance Bank and SEARK Community College allowing our CTE Advisory Committee to assist our students to receive a good base of knowledge and experience, should they choose to pursue a career in financial services and banking. The Bulldog Bank Station consist of 2 teller work stations, dome cameras, and a door to gain access to the station as if you were entering a real bank area. When a student completes the course in CBA, Accounting I, and Banking and Finance Operations/Teller Training they will be a Graduate "Completer" in Banking Services and be certified by the American Bankers Association.

Dr. Smith stated that following the annual school election, the School Board is required to elect the officers of the Board. The White Hall School District has the following Board Officers: President, Vice President and Secretary

Mr. Agee motioned and Mrs. Pittillo seconded to elect Dr. Ray Jones to remain as President.

Mr. Agee motioned and Mr. Scott Lockhart seconded to elect Mr. Scott Ray to remain as Vice President.

Mr. Scott Lockhart motioned and Dr. Coleman seconded to elect Mrs. Rebecca Pittillo to remain as Secretary.

In addition, we need Board Members to serve on a number of District committees. Mrs. Welch oversees these committees and has asked the members to serve as follows:

1. District/School Federal Programs/ACSIP- Connie Medsker
2. District/School Curriculum & Instruction- Rebecca Pittillo
3. District/School Student Handbook/Discipline Committees- Scott Ray, Roy Agee, and Scott Lockhart
4. District/School Technology Committee- Dr. Raymond Jones and Dr. Doug Coleman

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Agee motioned and Mr. Lockhart seconded to approve the ACSIP Plans for the 2016-2017 School Year as they are written as part of the school improvement process required by the Arkansas Department of Education. The District and individual school campuses are required to update their ACSIP (Arkansas Consolidated School Improvement Plan) plans annually which also include the District Parental Involvement Plans. Approving the ACSIP plan would include approval of the Parental Involvement Plans. Copies of the above district plans were available for review prior to the meeting.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Dr. Coleman motioned and Mrs. Pittillo seconded the approval of a one-time salary payment to employees. The motion should be as follows "I recommend approval of a one-time salary payment to certified employees in the amount of \$1,000.00 and to classified employees in the amount of \$650.00 who are contracted by the District on October 11, 2016. I would further recommend that the amount of money required to pay for these payments be transferred from the District building fund to the operating fund not to exceed \$360,000.00. Finally, I would recommend that employees who qualify for both certified and classified status be given a payment only in the higher of the two amounts."

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Agee moved and Mrs. Pittillo seconded to approve the purchase of a new 84-passenger trip bus for \$132,481.00 and a 14-passenger mini bus for \$59,526.00 from Midwest Bus Sales who is on the state bid list, which allows us to deal directly with the supplier and basically build the bus that we want to purchase at state bid prices. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lockhart moved and Mr. Agee seconded to accept the higher bid of \$1577.00 from Watkins Auto for the sale of our 1998 International 77 passenger bus. Two bids were received from Watkins Auto for \$1577.00 and Electrical Maintenance of Arkansas for \$800.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Heath Bennett, Assistant Superintendent, presented the September, 2016 financial statement to the School Board stating we will have over a \$200,000.00 savings going forward since the state is paying half of the internet services. Erate is still in the review process therefore, we do not have a funding commitment at this time.

Craig Dupuy, Assistant Superintendent, presented the Board with an update on the District Transportation, Maintenance and Athletics. The 8th & 9th grade Volleyball teams will be going to district conference and the WHHS Volley team will be going to Camden for the blended conference. WHMS football team is 5-1 and is 2nd in the conference and the WHHS football team is 6-0 getting ready for Watson Chapel this Friday. Cherie Bridgforth has taken the Tennis team to district which three students qualified for State. Rieke Stewart took the Golf team to district placing 2nd and finished 5th Overall at State. The names of students will be brought to the next board meeting for recognition. The transportation department has all route drivers filled with one sub driver. Maintenance is checking out the smoke alarms on all campuses and the grounds crew are all back to a regular schedule and completing trimming at Gandy.

Dorothy Welch, Assistant Superintendent, presented the board with the ACSIP plan and Parental Involvement plan earlier and was pleased with each campus and their input for the reports. She also thanked Mrs. Dottie Strahan for her wonderful presentation on the new Banking Program at the White Hall High School.

Dr. Larry Smith, Superintendent stated on the career tech side he is continuing to work with our architect, Mr. Brown, to develop the plans for the renovation of the former wood shop at WHHS to develop a welding program. Mr. Brown has submitted two possible drawings for our review. Once we get feedback to him, he will finalize the drawings, and we can proceed with the renovations. The goal is to have this completed in the Spring to go forward for the Fall. Dr. Smith also reminded the board of the ASBA Regional Board training on October 24th at the WHHS cafeteria starting at 5:30 and the ASBA Annual Conference on Dec. 7-9. These two trainings will assist the board in getting their six hours of training in before December 31st.

Dr. Coleman moved and Mr. Agee seconded to go to executive session for the discussion of resignations and new hires. Motion carried unanimously.

Certified New Hire

Brian Hutchinson

WHHS JROTC Instructor- effective TBD- conditional pending results of Criminal and Child Maltreatment Central registry and completion of all paperwork associated with JROTC program through the United States Military, ability to meet state certification results, presentation of all transcripts and appropriate paperwork. Employee must complete and maintain a CDL with appropriate passenger endorsement by April 1, 2017

Classified Transfer

Cassandra Drake

WHHS Level I Food Service 6.5 hr/180 days to WHMS Level III 6.5 hr/180 days- effective October 11, 2016

Classified New Hires

Sharon Matheson

HES 8 hr Level I Custodian (prorated 261 day contract) - effective October 11, 2016 conditional- pending criminal background and Child Maltreatment Central Registry checks

Ashley Gumm

GES 7.5 hr. Physical Activity/Duty Aide (prorated 180 day contract)- effective October 11, 2016 conditional- pending criminal background and Child Maltreatment Central Registry checks

Doyle Rowland

MES 5 hr Level I Custodian (prorated 261 day contract)- effective October 11, 2016 conditional- pending criminal background and Child Maltreatment Central Registry checks

Mr. Agee moved and Dr. Coleman seconded to approve the following personnel issues as presented: Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Coleman moved and Mr. Lockhart seconded to adjourn meeting.
Motion carried unanimously.

Page 5
October 11, 2016
School Board Meeting

Dr. Raymond Jones, School Board President

Mrs. Rebecca Pittillo, School Board Secretary

Dr. Larry Smith, Superintendent