

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

REGULAR MEETING **Julius S. Brown Admin. Building** **Tuesday, February 14, 2017**

PRESENT

ABSENT

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

None

The White Hall School Board met in a regular meeting Tuesday, February 14, 2017 with all the Board Members present.

Mrs. Pittillo opened the meeting with prayer and Mr. Ray led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

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

- Approval of Minutes- January 10th Regular Meeting (A)
- Facility Use Requests
 - Facility Use Request from the Girl Scouts (A)
 - Facility Use Request from the WHHS Choir Parents (A)
 - Facility Use Request from the Area IX Special Olympics (A)
 - Facility Use Request from AACCS Track Group (A)
 - Facility Use Request from Port City Speed AAU Track (A)
 - Facility Use Request from WHMS Quiz Bowl (A)
 - Facility Use Request from WHMS Student Council (A)
 - Facility Use Request from WH Little League Minor East (A)
 - Facility Use Request from WH Crush 10U Baseball Team (A)
- Approval of Claims (A)

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Jones, the School Board President, recognized the following:

The District has received several recognitions for the Board to consider this month:

District Spelling Bee Winners:

1st Grade Winner- Peyton Newton (Taylor Elementary)

1st Grade Runner-Up- Paige Price (Moody Elementary)

2nd Grade Winner- Tahiya Sorker (Taylor Elementary)

2nd Grade Runner-Up- Presley Bennett (Gandy Elementary)

3rd Grade Winner- Andrew McCombs (Moody Elementary)
3rd Grade Runner-Up- Bethany Roper (Taylor Elementary)

4th-8th Grade Winner- Manas Patel (White Hall Middle)
4th-8th Grade Runner-Up- Trevor Dady (White Hall Middle)

Jefferson County Spelling Bee:

1st Grade Winner- Peyton Newton (Taylor Elementary)
4th-8th Grade Runner-Up Manas Patel (White Hall Middle)

National Board Certified Teachers for 2017:

Tiffany Powell- White Hall School District

University of Arkansas Office of Educational Policy:

Recognized Hardin Elementary 5th Grade Science Scores on the 2015 PARCC Assessments that were given that year. Hardin was recognized for the Best Test Scores in Science, as well as, Most Improved in Science

Mrs. Pittillo motioned and Mr. Lockhart seconded to approve the PPC's recommendation of Option B for the 2017-2018 school year Calendar.

Motion carried unanimously

Mr. Agee motioned and Mr. Ray seconded to approve the renewal of the School Board Errors and Omission Liability Coverage with BancorpSouth for \$10,770.00 for the year. This is same cost as this past year. The District has maintained errors and omission insurance for a number of years. This is primarily for coverage in employment issues.

Motion carried unanimously

Dr. Coleman motioned and Mr. Agee seconded to place a six month CD for \$500,000.00 with Stone Bank offering 0.80% Rate of Interest. Mr. Bennett requested rates from several local financial institutions and Stone Bank was the highest percentage return on the investment.

Motion carried unanimously

Mr. Ray motioned and Mrs. Medsker seconded to approve the new Policy Updates from the Arkansas School Board Association for the White Hall School Board Policy.

Motion carried unanimously

Heath Bennett, Assistant Superintendent, presented the January 2017 financial statement to the School Board.

Craig Dupuy, Assistant Superintendent, informed the Board that our Jr. Boys and Girls basketball season wrapped up Feb. 4, with each team competing in the district tournament held at Maumelle. The Sr. Boys and Girls season wrapped up Feb. 14 with the conference tournament to start Feb. 20 at Watson Chapel. All Spring sports (10 sports teams Varsity and Jr. Varsity) will kick off on Feb. 28. The Transportation Dept. underwent our annual audit which no findings were found. The Maintenance & Grounds department is running smoothly with continued service on the playground upkeep on all elementary campuses and sidewalks around Taylor Elementary.

Mrs. Welch, Assistant Superintendent, informed the Board of the superior job our staff is doing in our schools and everyone is getting prepared for the upcoming testing season. She will provide the board with a Testing calendar at the next board meeting.

Dr. Smith, Superintendent, informed the board that the Legislation had two very important Bills under review that would have a direct impact on our schools. The two Bills we should be looking for are the Senate Bill 298 and House Bill 1222.

Mr. Agee motioned and Mrs. Medsker seconded to adjourn to go to executive session for the discussion of Certified and Classified Resignations and Contract Extension.
Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Lockhart moved and Mr. Agee seconded to approve all personnel items and the Substitutes as presented.
Motion carried unanimously.

Certified Resignations

Annette Koon	HES 5 th Grade Teacher- retirement- effective June 30, 2017
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Heath Bennett	District Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Personnel- resignation effective June 30, 2017
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Classified Resignations

Robyn Thornton	MES Nurse- resignation- effective February 28, 2017.
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Superintendent Contract

Dr. Larry Smith	District- Superintendent of Schools – approved as amended including Dr. Smith’s request not to extend past the current 2019 end date.
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Mr. Ray motioned and Mr. Lockhart seconded to adjourn meeting.
Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Raymond Jones, School Board President

Mrs. Rebecca Pittillo, School Board Secretary

Dr. Larry Smith, Superintendent