Helena-West Helen School District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes May 11, 2020

6:00 P.M.

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Board President Sanetta Davis called the meeting to order in the Central High School Auditorium at 6:00 p.m. Daniel Strickland, Troy Bobo, Janice Williams, and Earnest Simpson were present. Loistyne Burrell was present via phone call. Lynn Boone was absent.

II. The Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone in the auditorium.

III. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent English gave the board a report regarding facilities updates from Baldwin and Shell.

Superintendent English presented a PowerPoint to Board members with the superintendent's goals and expectations for the 2020-2021 school year.

IV. Personnel Hearings

Employee Hearing, I - Leigh Lewis

A hearing for Leigh Lewis did not take place because the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has deemed the employee is now eligible for employment.

Employee Hearing II (Closed) - Reggie Rose

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson and seconded by Janice Williams to reject Superintendent English's recommendation to terminate the contract of security officer Reggie Rose.

Vote Unanimous 5-0 (Loistyne Burrell could not be in hearing via phone)

V. Board President's Report & Recognitions

Board President Sanetta Davis reported that another ethics complaint was filed against her in March. The ethics complaint was dismissed due to no findings in April.

The ASBA Conference has been canceled. School District Finance Training is expected to be online in July but could also possibly be canceled because the registration portal has not yet opened. The Board President will keep checking and let other board members know when or if the registration opens.

VI. Consent Agenda

1. Board Minutes

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson and Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Daniel Strickland to approve board minutes from March 9, 2020.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

2. Financials

A motion was made by Daniel Strickland and seconded by Earnest Simpson to approve the financial reports for March 2020.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Troy Bobo and Daniel Strickland to approve the financial reports for April 2020.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

VII. Action Items

1. Eliza Miller Jr. High Bids

A motion to table was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Troy Bobo and Janice Williams, so that bids can be reviewed by each board member. Bids will be reviewed during the next board meeting.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

2. Arkansas Insurance Department Risk Management 2019-2020 Mid-Term Property Change A motion was made by Troy Bobo and seconded by Earnest Simpson to accept Superintendent English's recommendation for Arkansas Insurance Department Risk Management 2019-2020 Mid-Term Property Change.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

3. JFWE iPads, Chromebooks and Chromebook Carts

A motion was made by Janice Williams and seconded by Earnest Simpson to accept Superintendent English's recommendation for the purchase of iPads, Chromebooks and Chromebook carts for J. F. Wahl Elementary.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

4. JFWE Curriculum Associates

Superintendent English gave an informational update on the purchase of merchandise from Curriculum Associates for J. F. Wahl Elementary.

5. JFWE Math Lab

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson and seconded by Daniel Strickland to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the opening of a Math Lab at J. F. Wahl Elementary.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

6. JFWE Solution Tree Professional Learning Communities at Work

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson and seconded by Janice Williams to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve J. F. Wahl Elementary Solution Tree Professional Learning Communities at Work in Little Rock, AR.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

7. JFWE Leadership Retreat

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson and seconded by Janice Williams and Troy Bobo to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the J. F. Wahl Elementary Leadership Retreat.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

8. JFWE Marzano Resources Highly Reliability Schools Summit - Austin, TX

A motion was made by Troy Bobo and seconded by Earnest Simpson to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve J. F. Wahl Elementary staff to attend Marzano Resources Highly Reliability Schools Summit in Austin, TX

Vote Unanimous 5-0/Loistyne Burrell No

9. Teach for America Contract

A motion was made by Janice Williams and seconded by Daniel Strickland to accept Superintendent English's recommendation for the amended Teach for America contract.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

10. Delta Attainment Network (DCAN)

A motion was made by Janice Williams and seconded by Earnest Simpson to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the Delta College Attainment Network MOU payment from the 2019-2020 school year.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

11. CHS Chromebooks

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Janice Williams to accept Superintendent English's recommendation for the purchase of Chromebooks for Central High School.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

12. CHS and JFWE Renaissance Learning Contract Renewal

A motion was made by Troy Bobo and seconded by Earnest Simpson to accept Superintendent English's recommendation for the approval of Renaissance Learning contract renewal.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

13. Special Education VI-B Application

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Daniel Strickland to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the Special Education VI-B Application for the 2020-2021 school year.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

14. Resolution

A motion was made by Janice Williams and seconded by Loistyne Burrell and Daniel Strickland to approve Superintendent English's Resolution regarding COVID-19 guidelines and decisions made by the Superintendent under Helena-West Helena School District Policy 7.5.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

15. CHS Community Service Learning Community Partner Contract

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Janice Williams to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the CHS Community Service Learning Community Partner Contract with Thrive.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

16. PowerSchool TalentED Portal

A motion was made by Daniel Strickland and seconded by Troy Bobo to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve PowerSchool TalentED Portal contract renewal.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

Personnel Resignations

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Troy Bobo to approve the resignations of Holly Cothren and Brook Barnes.

Vote Unanimous 6-0

The board retired to executive session at 10:25 p.m.

The board returned from executive session at 11:30 p.m. No action was taken.

Personnel

A motion was made by Daniel Strickland and seconded by Troy Bobo to approve Superintendent English's personnel recommendations.

Vote Unanimous 5-0 (Earnest Simpson recused)

A motion was made by Troy Bobo and seconded by Daniel Strickland to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:34 P.M.

Superintendent

Board President

Board Secretary