

Riverview School Board Meeting

June 11, 2020

Riverview Fine Arts Center

7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Keith Baker, Darren Gordon, Robyn Roach, Matthew Moore, Stephanie Sellers, Owen Mobley, Jeremy Ramsey

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Justin Luttrell, Heather Parrish, Christy Bremer, Stuart Hill, Shane Sellers, Jeff Meeds, Heather Allison, Tracy Ball, Jenny Thompson, Stan Stratton, Greg Geary, Brian Chester, Judy Ballard, Sandra Knight

Robyn Roach opened the meeting with prayer.

The meeting was called to order by President, Robyn Roach, at 7:03 pm.

President, Robyn Roach, turned the meeting over to Superintendent, Mrs. Ballard.

Approval of May 14, 2020 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the regular board meeting of May 14 2020, were presented. At 7:04 pm, motion was made by Matthew Moore to approve the May 14, 2020, regular school board meeting minutes with no amendments or additions to the minutes. Second was made by Keith Baker. Motion carried, 7-0.

Financial Report

The attached May 2020 financial report was presented by Sandra Knight. At 7:05 pm, motion was made by Robyn Roach to approve the financial reports for May 2020 as presented, second by Jeremy Ramsey. Motion carried, 7-0.

Action Item #1 – Consider Changes to the Riverview School District Board Policy 7.5 to Reflect Arkansas Code

Mrs. Ballard recommended to the board to approve the changing of board policy 7.5 in regards to bidding to reflect the Arkansas purchasing threshold for bidding for the 2020-2021 school year. The new ADE state bidding will be \$21,284.00 for the 2020-2021 school year. Riverview School District Board Policy 7.5 is currently set as \$20,000.00. At 7:08 pm, motion was made by Keith Baker to approve to change the Riverview School District Board Policy 7.5 to \$21,284.00 for threshold for bidding from \$20,000.00. Second by Darren Gordon. Motion carried, 7-0.

Action Item #2 – Consider Passing a Resolution for the Suspension of District Policy to Align with Emergency COVID-19 Legislation and Statutory/Rule Waivers.

Mrs. Ballard recommended to the board to approve a resolution that states district board policies will be suspended and will align with the Emergency COVID-19 legislation and waivers while Arkansas is in a state of emergency. Once Arkansas is declared out of a state of emergency, all district board policies will be back in force as originally. At 7:10 pm, motion was made by Jeremy Ramsey to approve a resolution for the suspension of district board policies to align with emergency COVID-19 legislation and statutory/rule waivers. Second by Keith Baker. Motion carried, 7-0.

Action Item #3 – Consider Purchase of Land Next to Riverview Judsonia Gym

Mrs. Ballard presented to the board a request from Norman Enloe to the Riverview School District to purchase land located at 810 ½ Jackson Street in Judsonia, Arkansas, for the purchase price of \$8,000.00. The land is located by the Judsonia Gym and it does have a house on the land. After much discussion, the board wished to table Action Item #3 at this time.

At 7:17 pm, motion was made by Darren Gordon to table Action Item #3 at this time. Second by Stephanie Sellers. Motion carried, 7-0.

Action Item #4 – Consider Approval of Student Transfers

Mrs. Ballard recommended to the board to approve two legal transfers for students to leave Riverview School District for the 2020-2021 school year. One student to be released to attend Searcy School District – Valerie Mata, and one student to be released to Bald Knob School District – Kinley Jones. At 7:18 pm, motion was made by Robyn Roach to approve the two legal transfers for the 2020-2021 school year as presented, second by Keith Baker. Motion carried, 7-0.

Action Item #5 – Consider Approval of Extending the Deadline to Use Vacation Days Earned in the 2019-2020 School Year in Excess of 20 Days to June 30, 2021, for the 240 Day Employees Returning for the 2020-2021 School Year

Mrs. Ballard recommended to the board to approve to extend to the 240-day employees who have excess of 20 vacation days by June 30, 2020, due to COVID-19, an extra year to use their excess of vacation days. Vacation days must not be over 20 days come June 31, 2021. At 7:20 pm, motion was made by Matthew Moore to approve the 240-day employees who have excess vacation days of 20 days an extra year, to June 30, 2021, to use their excess of vacation days. Second by Owen Mobley. Motion carried, 7-0.

Superintendent's Update*Facilities*

- Floors at Kensett Elementary are stripped and waxed
- Carpets at Riverview High School are done
- Air Conditioning units are being serviced
- Interior painting is being done throughout the district
- In two weeks, the Judsonia Elementary Pre-K playground should be expanded

COVID-19

- Still receiving guidelines from DESA and the Governor
- Phase II is to begin on June 15, 2020
- Focusing on some form of digital curriculum for the 2020-2021 school year, which will consist of onsite and offsite instruction
- Graduation will be held on July 24, 2020, with 60% compacity

At 7:36 pm, the board went into executive session.

At 8:46 pm, the board came out of executive session where personnel matters were discussed.

Personnel*Resignations*

Mrs. Ballard recommended to the board to approve the resignations from the following employees:

Cherrie McCoy – Riverview High School Counselor

Jennifer Ruhl – Riverview Judsonia Pre-K Teacher

Rebecca Johnson – Riverview High School Counselor

Manuela Harris – Riverview Volleyball/Girls Soccer Coach; Junior High Business Teacher

At 8:46 pm, motion was made by Jeremy Ramsey to approve the resignations from Cherrie McCoy, Jennifer Ruhl, Rebecca Johnson, and Manuela Harris as presented. Second by Keith Baker. Motion carried, 7-0.

Hiring

Mrs. Ballard recommended to the board to approve the hiring of the following for the 2020-21 School Year:

Grounds – Heath Seyler

Riverview High School ALE Teacher – Rebecca Johnson

Riverview High School Instructional Facilitator – Janna Carr

Riverview 7-12 Grade Art Teacher – Chelsey Cravens

Riverview High School Counselor – Amber Jones

Riverview High School Agri Teacher – Mason Hudson
Riverview Kensett Elementary 5th & 6th Grade Teacher – Anja Miner
Riverview Judsonia Reading Interventionist – Jennifer Watson
Riverview Judsonia Pre-K Teacher – Lindsey Merritt

At 8:47 pm, motion was made by Keith Baker to approve the following for hire for the 2020-2021 school year as presented:

Grounds – Heath Seyler
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Riverview High School Counselor – Amber Jones
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Second by Darren Gordon. Motion carried, 7-0.

Mrs. Ballard requested to the board to approve to have a Special Board Meeting for more hires on June 18, 2020, at 7:00 pm and to move the Regular July Board meeting date to July 16, 2020. At 8:47 pm, motion was made by Owen Mobley to approve to have a Special Board Meeting on June 18, 2020, and to move the Regular July Board meeting date to July 16, 2020. Second by Robyn Roach. Motion carried, 7-0.

The meeting was adjourned by President, Robyn Roach, at 8:48 pm.

Robyn Roach, Board President

Darren Gordon, Board Secretary

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