

**Helena-West Helena School District  
Board of Director Meeting Minutes**

**July 13, 2020**

**6:00 P.M.**

**Zoom Meeting Platform**

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**I. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Board President Sanetta Davis called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Earnest Simpson, Jr., Janice William, Lynne Boone and Loistyne Burrell were present. Troy Bobo was absent. Mr. Daniel Strickland had not arrived yet.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was not recited.

**III. Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Johnson Director of Maintenance gave an update on the Central High School new facility. Mrs. Williams asked about the leaks in the building. Mr. Johnson stated that Mr. Obey is coming back to fix all leaks. Mr. Simpson asked questions about the building as well. Mrs. Williams asked if the expense would be on the District. Mr. Johnson responded no it will not.

Mrs. Jewel Hamilton, Principal of J.F. Wahl Elementary gave an up-date on virtual on-line registration for her school.

Mr. Earnest Simpson, III, Co-Principal/Dionne Britton, Co-Principal of Central High School both gave up-dates on virtual on-line registration for their school.

**IV. Board President's Report**

President Sanetta Davis had no report, just a reminder that there will be a Special Call Board Meeting Thursday, July 23, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

**V. Consent Agenda**

**Approval of Board Minutes**

A motion was made by Liostyne Burrell and seconded by Janice Williams to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2020 meeting. Mr. Strickland had not arrived yet.

**Vote Unanimous/5-0**

**Financial Board Report**

A motion was made by Daniel Strickland and seconded by Janice Williams to approve the financial report for May 2020.

**Vote/6-0  
Boone-Yes  
Burrell-Yes  
Williams-Yes  
Simpson-Yes**

**Strickland-Yes**

**Davis-Yes**

**Financial Board Report**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Daniel Strickland to approve the financial report for June 2020.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**VI. Public Relations/HR Liaison Consulting Services, Cheryl Dixon-Covington**

A Presentation was done by Mrs. Cheryl Dixon-Covington concerning Public Relations/HR Liaison Consulting Services.

**VII. Action Items**

**Helena-West Helena School District Re-Engagement Delivery of Instruction for 2020-21**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Janice Williams to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the Helena-West Helena School District Re-Engagement Delivery of Instruction for 2020-2021.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**2020-2021 Food Service Vendors Bids**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Loistyne Burrell to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the milk, bread and produce bids for 2020-2021 school year.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**APEX Renewal**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Janice Williams to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the APEX Renewal.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**CHS Summer School**

A motion was made by Janice Williams and seconded by Earnest Simpson, Jr. to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the CHS Summer School that has already been completed.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**Athletic Insurance**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Janice Williams to table the Athletic Insurance until the July 23, 2020 Special Call Meeting.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**GREC Invoices #1-5**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Loistyne Burrell to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the GREC Invoices #1-5.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**GREC Invoice #6 Fiber WAN**

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Earnest Simpson, Jr. to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the GREC Invoices #6 Fiber WAN.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**Resolution for the Suspension of District Policy to Align with Emergency COVID-19 Legislation and Statutory/Rule Waivers**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Loistyne Burrell to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the Resolution for the Suspension of District Policy to Align with Emergency COVID-19 Legislation and Statutory/Rule Waivers.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**Speech Pathologists Position**

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Janice Williams to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the hiring of two Speech Pathologists.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**Act 1029 of 2019: Bullying/Discipline Report (informational)**

Superintendent English provided the Bullying/Discipline Report with comments by Mr. Earnest Simpson, III and Latrenda Mills. Mr. Simpson gave an explanation of being dismissed, unresolved and conflict. Ms. Mills stated that all behavior interventionists are being supervised and monitored.

**Overtime Reimbursement and Travel Authorization, Kimberly Holmes-Rose**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Janice Williams to approve the overtime reimbursement and Travel Authorization for Kimberly Holmes-Rose with all documentation included.

**Vote/5-1**  
**Boone-Yes**  
**Burrell-No**



**Williams-Yes  
Simpson-Yes  
Strickland-Yes  
Davis-Yes**

**Vehicle Insurance**

A motion was made by Janice Williams and seconded by Earnest Simpson, Jr. to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve vehicle insurance.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**Property Insurance**

A motion was made by Janice Williams and seconded by Earnest Simpson, Jr. to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve property insurance.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**Special Education Independent Contracts**

A motion was made by Loistyne Burrell and seconded by Janice Williams to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve Special Education Independent Contracts.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**Reading Interventionist**

A motion was made by Daniel Strickland and seconded by Earnest Simpson, Jr. to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the hiring of a Reading Interventionist for Secondary.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**iPROMO (Personal Protective Equipment Supplies)**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr., and seconded by Daniel Strickland to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve iPROMO (Personal Protective Equipment Supplies).

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**VIII. Enrollment (Informational)**

1. Central High School- 577 Students
2. J.F. Wahl Elementary-663 students - declining from last meeting of 666 students

**XI. HR Recommendations**

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Daniel Strickland to accept Superintendent English's recommendation to approve the Licensed and Non-Licensed HR recommendations.

**Vote Unanimous/6-0**

**X. Executive Session**

No Executive Session was held.

A motion was made by Earnest Simpson, Jr. and seconded by Janice Williams to adjourn the meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.**

  
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**Superintendent**

  
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**Board President**

  
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**Board Secretary**