

**Booneville School District
School Board Meeting
Minutes
January 18, 2023**

The Booneville School Board met at 6:08 P.M. in the conference room of the Administrative building on Wednesday January 18, 2023 for the regular January board meeting.

In attendance were: Dustin Garrett, Presiding Officer; Mark Wooldridge, Eric Jones, Todd Tatum, Clay Crowley, Amy Daniel and Superintendent Trent Goff. Bobby Haynes was absent.

GT Coordinator, Georgia Littleton introduced members of the Chess team and recognized them for winning 3 out of 5 games: Garrik Hale, Kaity Green, Chase Posey

Mrs. Littleton also recognized Spelling Bee winners;

Elementary: Lillie Littleton 1st, Peyton Jones 2nd, Ava Hicks 3rd

Jr High: Taryn Woodle 1st, Emmali Gray 2nd, Makinley Ensey 3rd

All who placed in the Spelling Bee will advance to the County Spelling Bee.

The board was impressed by the dedication of these students and congratulated them all.

The minutes of the December 13, 2022 regular meeting were approved as read by unanimous consent.

The financial report for the district was presented as read by Mr. Goff. He stated that tax money has come in and the delinquent funds are expected to arrive in the next few weeks.

Junior High Principal Josh Walker reported that 50 Jr Beta students were competing at the State Beta Convention today and several have placed in their competitions. Mr Walker plans to bring these students along with PLTW students in the near future.

Jyme Beth Diffie recognized the elementary teachers and students for the growth since implementing Saxon Phonics, the new literacy program. A board member reiterated that their own child was proof.

Amy Goers informed the board that Sr Night and Basketball Homecoming is slated for February 3, 2023 and that a large group of Sr Beta students were heading to the State Beta Convention tomorrow, January 19th.

Mr. Goff congratulated all the board members for exceeding the number of board training hours required in 2022. He thanked the board for the interest they take in all aspects of the school and how thankful he is for this board. Mr. Goff also praised the Elementary, Jr High and High School for all they did to acknowledge Board Appreciation.

Board President, Dustin Garrett proposed to the board that they form a small committee to create a Vision and Mission statement.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Amy Daniel and seconded by Todd Tatum to adopt the Proposed Budget of Expenditures with Tax Levy for Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2024 to and including June 30, 2025 and to approve the related Sample Ballot. Motion carried with unanimous consent.

A motion was made by Todd Tatum and seconded by Amy Daniel that the district reject both Raven Mitchell 10th from Magazine and Seanna Crook 1st to Magazine, in order to adhere to district policy 4.4 - Student Transfers.

The Booneville School District shall review and accept or reject requests for transfers both into and out of the district on a case by case basis at the July and December regularly scheduled board meetings.

Motion carries with unanimous consent.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Goff reported HVAC will be on site the week of January 30th, working daily in any empty classrooms.

Mr. Goff informed the board that his goal is to have the 2023-2024 School Calendar prepared for February's board meeting.

Mr. Goff gave the board a handout regarding Gov. Sanders' Arkansas LEARNS Initiative (Literacy, Empowerment, Accountability, Readiness, Networking and School Safety) and informed them of upcoming changes in education.

Mr. Goff informed the board that Mrs. Diffie is currently working on a JUA grant in conjunction with the City to purchase playground equipment for the Billy Kiersey Baseball/Softball complex on E. State Hwy. 10. Mrs. Diffie and Nurse Jessica Walker together are also working on a grant for more AED units on the Elementary premises.

Mr. Goff reported enrollment is steadily growing, the district is up 17 since January of 2022.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dustin Garrett declared the meeting into Executive Session at 6:25 P.M.

Dustin Garrett declared the meeting out of Executive Session at 7:18 P.M.

A recommendation was made by Dustin Garrett, Board President to approve Superintendent Trent Goff's contract for an additional year, making it a three year contract, through the year 2026-2027.

A motion was made by Todd Tatum and seconded by Amy Daniel to approve the recommendation as stated. Motion carried with unanimous consent.

A motion was made by Amy Daniel and seconded by Todd Tatum to approve the recommendation to hire Jamie Flowers in Food Service. Motion carried with unanimous consent.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Todd Tatum and seconded by Amy Daniel

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Dustin Garrett
Board President

Mark Wooldridge
Board Secretary