

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARVELL-ELAINE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MARVELL-ELAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017**

Members Present:

Mr. Clyde Williams
Mrs. Aremedia Lee

Mr. Roscoe Albert

Mr. Justin Cox

Members Absent:

Mr. Larry Prowell

Mrs. Pam Holder

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the administration building by Board President, Mr. Clyde Williams.

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR DECEMBER 12, 2016 MEETING / REVIEWED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND APPROVE AND PAY CURRENT BILLS

After a brief review of the minutes, a motion was made by Mr. Albert and seconded by Mrs. Lee to approve the minutes as written and approve the financial statements and pay current bills. The motion carried unanimous.

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT

Mr. Williams, Board President, asked to go into executive session. Upon return from executive session a motion was made by Mrs. Lee and seconded by Mr. Albert to extend Dr. Cottom's contract by one (1) year ending on June 30, 2018. The motion carried unanimous.

B. TRANSPORTATION/NEW BUS/BUSES

Dr. Cottoms stated that she wanted to propose to the board that they cash a CD and purchase either 2 buses or 1 bus and 1 minivan. If this was not something the Board wanted to do then we need to look at the faculty that we do not need that will not be returning and we will not replace. We could use that savings to purchase a bus. Mr. Williams stated that we would need to call a special board meeting to discuss these options when all board members are available.

C. HOMEBOUND TEACHER

Dr. Cottoms recommended the Board follow the recommendation from Mrs. Love to contract Latrendia Mills to be the homebound teacher -2 hours a day- 2 days a week 3:30-5:30 at \$40 per hour. Motion was made by Mr. Albert to employ Mrs. Mills as the homebound teacher. The motion was 2nd by Mrs. Lee. The motion carried unanimous.

IV. INFORMATIONAL

A. FORTY FIVE DAY PLAN

Dr. Cottoms stated that our 45 day plan is required for our High School which is in academic distress. Mrs. Smith, our school improvement specialist will present information regarding our 45 day plan.

Mrs. Smith stated that this will be a brief synopsis concerning the 45 day plan. It is mandated that we complete this plan every quarter because we are designated as a priority school. As you can see, we are required to submit the plan to the Department of Education each quarter (9weeks).

As you look at the plan you will see the 1st Qtr, 2nd Qtr, and 3rd Qtr and so on. As you look at the plan page one has our growth goals. We asked the leadership team to come up with some growth goals for our students based on the ACT Aspire testing. Page 2 is for the principal's narrative. Mr. Hobbs along with the leadership team included a narrative for the 1st and 2nd qtr. Page 3 through 6 is the leadership narrative. Page 7 lists the enrollment data and also the discipline data. As you can see, 9th grade had the highest discipline problems for the 1st qtr. Page 8 is for Teacher Attendance. During the 1st qtr there were a lot of absentees for the teachers, however this number has decreased during the 2nd qtr. Page 9 is for Student Attendance. The 9th grade showed the highest number of absentees during the 1st qtr; however the number of absentees has decreased during the 2nd qtr. Page 10 contains the Math and English/Language Arts Data. During the 1st qtr, there were a large number of students that were making D's and F's in Math. If 30% of that class is making those grades then Mr. Hobbs has a conference with the teacher to identify the problem. During the 2nd Qtr the number of D's and F's seems to be decreasing. The same situation applies to the English data as well. Page 12 is the School Summary Interim Assessment. As part of the ACT Aspire we have to give Interim Assessment throughout the school year. 1st interim assessment was given in November. Page 13 is the Screening data. We have to report the number of students that were 3 or more years below grade level in Reading and Math. We do have quite a few students that are reading below grade level and also 3 or more grade levels in Math. So we are addressing these needs for our students. Page 14 is the Summary of Educators' Student School Survey data. Each qtr the students, along with the teachers complete a survey.

Mrs. Smith asked for any questions. Mr. Williams asked on the survey was the 2.96 1st qtr and 2.88 2nd qtr? Mrs. Smith stated that the 1st qtr Educator's survey was 3.07 and 2nd qtr was 2.77. The 1st qtr Student was 2.96 and 2nd qtr was 2.82. The data is based on the number of students and educators that were present to actually take the survey.

B. AGREEMENT FOR ELAINE ALUMNI

Dr. Cottoms stated that she would like the Board to review the agreement and during the next board meeting and decide if this is what they would like to use. We will contact Attorney Brad Beavers and let him know that this agreement is how the board wants it written. Dr. Cottoms stated that the Board needed to know that the 2nd party should use the property for community services to residents and children of our District. They (2nd party) will be responsible for the maintenance of the property, the insurance, and there should be no alterations to the property.


C. STEPHENS FINANCIAL – MICHAEL MCBRIDE

Mr. McBride will review the financial analysis for the District. The board is receiving 3 hours of professional development for this presentation along with information to take home for reading and further knowledge. Mr. McBride discussed the assessment history of the District, the millage calculations, debt, bonds, property taxes, issuance of new bonds, and restructuring bonds.

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Cottoms stated that she did not have a report tonight. However the next school board meeting will be rescheduled for February 27, 2017 due to President's Day Holiday.

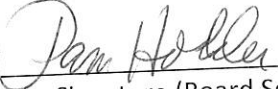
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



Signature (Board President – Mr. Clyde Williams)

2-27-17

Date



Signature (Board Secretary – Mrs. Pam Holder)

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