MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular High School Library 6:30 pm September 10, 2020
Meeting Place Time Date

MEMBERS

PRESENT ABSENT

Michael Springer: President Brandy Moore: Vice-President Robert Curtis: Secretary Danny Loyd: Member Alfonso Vasquez: Member

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call by Mr. Springer.
- 2. Mr. Springer noted that the August 13th, 2020 board minutes had Mr. Vasquez listed as the second on item number 3 and it should be Ms. Moore. Mr. Curtis made a motion to approve minutes from the August 13, 2020 meeting as amended. Mr. Loyd seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
- 3. Ms. Forst informed the board that \$133,594.39 was transferred as excess operating funds to the building fund in order to meet the net ending legal balance for FY2019-2020 of \$444,000 as approved at the June 11, 2020 meeting. The budgeted transfer amount was \$55,359.01 and the excess was due in part to the school closure for COVID19 from March 15th through June 5th, 2020. At Mr. Springer's request, Ms. Forst presented early payoff options for the District's \$290,907.98 non-bonded debt. Dr. Shumate requested the Board take no action on an early payoff motion until the budget meeting. Mr. Loyd made a motion to approve the finance report for the month of August, 2020. Mr. Curtis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- 4. The Arkansas Division of Public School Academic Facilities & Transportation sent Dr. Shumate preliminary approval for the district's Academic Facilities Partnership Program security enhancements project. The security enhancements include bullet resistant glass at all exterior locations, secure entry barriers, and visitor management systems. The anticipated cost of the project is \$634,400.00 and the district's share would be 27.963% of that total or \$177,397.27. The Division will provide information on the final amount of state financial participation no later than May 1, 2021. No Action required.
- 5. Principals Gipson and Beggs updated the board on the school re-entry process under the COVID19 restrictions. Both principals felt that the 5 level re-entry plan developed by the district promoted a smooth start of school for students and staff. Both noted few if any discipline problems and none were related to the mandatory masks or social distancing requirements.
- 6. Dr. Shumate presented a Chromebook Insurance Accidental Damage agreement giving parents the option of purchasing the \$25 policy or paying for Chromebook repairs themselves. Mr. Curtis made a motion to adopt the Student Chromebook Insurance Accidental Damage agreement. Ms. Moore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- 7. Motion by Mr. Curtis to approve the 2020-2021 Statement of Assurance as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-202. Second by Mr. Loyd. Motion passed 5-0.
- 8. Mr. Curtis made a motion to approve the ADE Assurances for Programs under ESSA. Ms. Moore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- 9. Motion by Mr. Curtis to approve the ASBA Model policy update 3.32.1 Licensed Personnel COVID Emergency Leave. Second by Mr. Loyd. Motion passed 5-0.
- 10. Motion by Mr. Curtis to approve the ASBA model policy update 8.23.1 Classified Personnel COVID Emergency Leave. Second by Mr. Loyd. Motion passed 5-0.

- 11. Motion by Ms. Moore to approve the FY20-21 Business and Financial Management Policies with the ASBA model policy updates to 7.3 Millage Rate, 7.5 Purchases and Procurement, and 7.18 Disposal of non-negotiated checks or unclaimed property. Motion seconded by Mr. Vasquez. Motion passed 5-0.
- 12. Dr. Shumate requested board approval to apply for a FEMA matching grant. If approved, FEMA would pay 75% of certain COVID19 related expenditures and the district would pay 25%. Mr. Loyd made a motion to approve the FEMA matching grant application for COVID19 expenditures. Mr. Vasquez made the second and the motion passed unanimously.
- 13. Mr. Curtis excused himself from the meeting. Mr. Loyd made a motion to adopt the attached resolution # 09102020 authorizing the District to continue to contract with County Discount Pharmacy, with full disclosure that board member, Robert Curtis, has a financial interest in this business. Mr. Vasquez seconded the motion and it passed 4-0. Mr. Curtis returned to the meeting.
- 14. The Board will meet in special session on Monday, September 28th at 6pm in the high school library to approve the budget for FY 20-21.
- 15. Motion by Ms. Moore to approve the petition for transfer of students for Timothy E. Stephens to County Line School District. Motion seconded by Mr. Vasquez. Motion passed 5-0.
- 16. At 7:27pm, Mr. Springer called an executive session to discuss personnel and requested Dr. Shumate remain with the Board. The meeting returned to open session at 8:01pm.
- 17. Mr. Curtis moved to adjourn. Second by Mr. Loyd. Motion passed unanimously.

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