

NORTH LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent

REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES

October 17, 2013

The North Little Rock School District Board met in regular session on Thursday, October 17, 2013, in the Board Room of the Administration Building of the North Little Rock School District, 2700 Poplar Street, North Little Rock, Arkansas. There were no public comments. Scott Teague called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Tatem Stanley, NLRHS Ninth Grader, gave the invocation and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present

Scott Teague, President
J. T. Zakrzewski, Vice President
Dorothy Williams, Secretary
Ron Treat, Disbursing Officer
Darrell Montgomery, Parliamentarian
Luke King, Member
Scott A. Miller, Member

Absent

None

Others Present

Mr. Kelly Rodgers, Superintendent; Dr. Beth Stewart, Assistant Superintendent; Denise Drennan, Chief Financial Officer; Gregg Thompson, Executive Director of Human Resources; Micheal Stone, Executive Director of Student & Equity Services; Rosie Coleman, Executive Director of Elementary Education; Susan Shurley, Executive Director for Special Services; Greg Daniels, Administrative Director of Information Services and additional staff members and Darlene Holmes, Superintendent's secretary, were also present. NLR CAT-TV (video) and Brian Drause (audio) recorded the meeting.

RECOGNITION OF PEOPLE/EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Shara Brazear presented two new members to the Superintendent's Honor Roll. They were Matt Fowler from our Maintenance Department and Roy Davis, Seventh Street Elementary Custodian. Both were presented with a plaque. NLRHS TV students were recognized for their exceptional work. NLRHS Senior Addison Meyer shared his video along with new website. National Merit Semifinalist Jakeb Hurley and National Achievement Semifinalist Mikayla Williams were recognized for their achievements. Glenview Elementary Principal Carol Thornton and her staff were recognized for the award of Outstanding Education Performance. All were presented with a plaque by our Board members.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

MOTION

Scott Miller moved to accept the September 19, 2013 (Regular), and September 30, 2013 (Special) minutes as printed. Dorothy Williams seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Montgomery, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski
NAYS: None

NEW BUSINESS

Reorganization of the Board of Education

MOTION

Dorothy Williams moved to accept the following slate of officers:

J.T. Zakrzewski – President

Scott Miller – Vice President

Ron Treat – Secretary

Darrell Montgomery – Disbursing Officer

Dorothy Williams – Parliamentarian

Scott Teague seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Montgomery, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski
NAYS: None

Designation of the Superintendent as the Ex Officio Financial Secretary

MOTION

Dorothy Williams moved to designate Kelly Rodgers as the ex-officio financial secretary for our District. Ron Treat seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Montgomery, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski
NAYS: None

Licensed Personnel Policy Committee

Sandie Lasley, LPPC Chair, introduced herself as the new Chair for this year and reported that their committee met and approved the proposed raise. Her committee wanted the retro check to be in the form of an additional check and not a direct deposit. The Board thanked her for her report.

Classified Personnel Policy Committee

Jarvis Dickerson, CPPC Chair, introduced himself as the new Chair for this committee this year. He reported that the CPPC had also approved the proposed raise. He yielded the podium to John Haynie, Transportation Director who also serves on the CPPC to enable Mr. Haynie to express to the Board for the possibility in looking at different avenues for insurance costs.

2013 – 2014 District ACSIP Plan with Title 1 Assurances and Perkins Funds

Kristie Ratliff, Director of Professional Development and School Improvement, presented the district's Arkansas Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (ACSIP) as a document that will be revised as the needs arise for school improvements. She explained the usage of Federal Funding and categorical funds. The Board thanked her for her report.

MOTION

Dorothy Williams moved to accept the 2013 – 2014 District ACSIP Plan with Title 1 Assurances as presented. Scott Miller seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Montgomery, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None

MOTION

Scott Teague moved to accept the Perkins Funds as presented by Administration. Scott Miller seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Montgomery, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None

Purchase of Property

Mr. Rodgers explained that a previously approved property purchase needed revising as the cost was higher due to a life policy on this land. He requested that the Board approved the new amount for the property. The price difference was from \$75,000 to \$87,000.

MOTION

Darrell Montgomery moved to accept Administration's recommendation to approve the revised contract addendum for the Angela Kubalko property includes a home and 7,000 SF of land located at 120 East 23rd Street, North Little Rock. Form #: 012006-600137-6922932- addendum Form# 055512-000138-0290120 as presented. Dorothy Williams seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Montgomery, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None

Consent Agenda

Mr. Rodgers recommended the Board accept the financial, personnel, bid items, and regular bills on pages O-1 through T-14.

MOTION

Scott Teague moved to accept the revised consent agenda. Dorothy Williams seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Montgomery, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Dr. Beth Stewart, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services, along with Rosie Coleman, Executive Director of Elementary Education, and Ray Girdler, Test Data Analyst, presented a Report to the Public concerning our Spring 2013 assessment results along with an update on the district's gifted and talented program. Dr. Stewart and Ms. Coleman praised our principals and their staffs for their continued efforts in working on student achievement. Dr. Stewart emphasized the goal of raising our graduation rate.

Darrell Montgomery exited the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Gerald Cound, Director of Facilities Management, also updated the Board on the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project Cost Reports.

STUDENT EXPULSION

Mr. Stone recommended the expulsion of a Lakewood Middle Sixth Student ID # _____ for violation of Board Policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments for the remainder of this

semester and the next semester of the 2013-2014 school year. Neither the parents nor the student were present.

MOTION

Scott Teague moved to accept Administration's recommendation to expel student #_____ for violation of Board Policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments for one calendar year. Ron Treat seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Teague, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None (Montgomery – absent)

Mr. Stone recommended the expulsion of a NLRHS Freshman Student ID # _____ for violation of Board Policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments for the remainder of this semester and the next semester of the 2013-2014 school year. The student and parents requested a closed hearing.

Dorothy Williams exited the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

The Board went into a closed hearing at 7:16 p.m.

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:40 p.m.

MOTION

Scott Miller moved to accept Administration's recommendation to expel student _____ for violation of Board Policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments for one calendar year. Ron Treat seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Teague, Treat and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None (Montgomery and Williams – absent)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Ron Treat moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott Teague seconded the motion.

YEAS: King, Miller, Teague, Treat and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None (Montgomery and Williams – absent)

President Zakrzewski declared the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

J.T. Zakrzewski, President

Darlene Holmes, Recording Secretary