

NORTH LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of the Superintendent

SPECIAL MEETING, BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES **May 27, 2014**

The North Little Rock School District Board met in special session on Tuesday, May 27, 2014, 2014, in the Board Room of the Administration Building of the North Little Rock School District, 2700 Poplar Street, North Little Rock, Arkansas. President J.T. Zakrzewski called the meeting to order at noon.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present

J.T. Zakrzewski, President
Scott A. Miller, Vice President
Ron Treat, Secretary
Dorothy Williams, Parliamentarian

Absent

Darrell Montgomery, Disbursing Officer
Luke King, Member
Scott Teague, Member

Others Present

Mr. Kelly Rodgers, Superintendent; Denise Drennan, Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Beth Stewart, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services; Gregg Thompson, Executive Director of Human Resources; Brian Brown, Director of Finance; Darlene Holmes, Superintendent's Secretary were also present. Brian Drause (audio) recorded the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Amend the Agenda

MOTION

Scott Miller moved to amend the agenda to include a Ridgeroad Summer School Program proposal. Ron Treat seconded the motion.

YEAS: Miller, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski
NAYS: None (King, Montgomery, Teague – absent)

Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal for Indian Hills Elementary

Gene Hawk, Facilities Consultant, explained the proposal for Indian Hills Elementary and it was imperative to get this approval to begin the work so most will be done during this summer.

MOTION

Dorothy Williams moved to accept the Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal for Indian Hills Elementary in the amount of \$6,611,483.00. Scott Miller seconded the motion.

YEAS: Miller, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski
NAYS: None (King, Montgomery, Teague – absent)

Ridgeroad Middle Summer School Program

Dr. Beth Stewart, presented the plan for Ridgeroad Middle School to have a summer school program to work on literacy and math for those students needing additional help.

MOTION

Scott Miller moved to accept Administration's recommendation for summer school program at Ridgeroad Middle this year. Dorothy Williams seconded the motion.

YEAS: Miller, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski
NAYS: None (King, Montgomery, Teague – absent)

Student Expulsions

Micheal Stone, Executive Director of Student Services, stated the parents and two students recommended for expulsion were present and requested open hearings.

Mr. Stone explained he was recommending the expulsion of Shawn Ball, Jr. for one calendar year for violation of Board policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments. He state that Shawn Ball, Jr. had brought a loaded handgun to school and passed it off to his cousin, Charpei Winston. Shawn and his mother, Joquita Stewart, both spoke to the Board about this horrible mistake and he was very sorry he brought the gun on campus.

MOTION

Scott Miller moved to accept Administration's recommendation for the expulsion of Shawn Ball, Jr. for one calendar year for violation of Board policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments. Dorothy Williams seconded the motion.

YEAS: Miller, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski
NAYS: None (King, Montgomery, Teague – absent)

Mr. Stone also recommended the expulsion of Charpei Winston, for one calendar year for violation of Board Policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments. Charpei Winston stated that Shawn said he needed to put something in his backpack as Shawn did not have a locker. He said this wasn't unusual but when he got ready for to put on his shoes for gym, he discovered the gun and dropped it out of his shoe into his locker. This was just prior to third period. An hour and a half later, Miss Faulkner stated the gun was found in his locker. She had been notified by a tip from Crimestoppers. Charpei's mother pled with the Board not to expel him.

MOTION

Scott Miller moved to accept Administration's recommendation for the expulsion of Board Policy 4.22 Weapons and Dangerous Instruments for one calendar year for Charpei Winston. Ron Treat seconded the motion.

YEAS: Miller, Treat, Williams
(Abstained – Zakrzewski)

NAYS: None (King, Montgomery, Teague – absent)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

Dorothy Williams moved to adjourn the meeting. Ron Treat seconded the motion.

YEAS: Miller, Treat, Williams and Zakrzewski

NAYS: None (King, Montgomery, Teague – absent)

President Zakrzewski declared the meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

J.T. Zakrzewski, President

Darlene Holmes, Recording Secretary