BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Hope Board of Education November 16, 2009

The Hope Board of Education met in regular session with President Joe Short presiding. The following members were present: Virginia Cully, Viney Johnson, Dora Philyaw, Mike Beasley, Jesus Coronado, Denny Dickinson, and Danny Watson. Mr. Beasley entered the meeting during the closed personnel session.

The minutes of the October 12, 2009, meetings were approved on a motion by Danny Watson with a second by Dora Philyaw. Motion carried 7-0.

The October Expenditures were approved on a motion by Denny Dickinson with a second by Virginia Cully. Motion carried 7-0.

The board voted to uphold the recommendation of the superintendent to expel Tiesha Dean for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year. This motion was a result of a motion by Danny Watson with a second by Jesus Coronado. Motion carried 6-1 with Viney Johnson not voting.

On a motion by Viney Johnson with a second by Dora Philyaw, the board voted 7-0 to name Virginia Cully as the district's delegate at the state conference.

On a motion by Denny Dickinson with a second by Dora Philyaw, the board voted to amend the Christmas bonus payment procedure to include only employees working full-time prior to August 15, 2009. Motion carried 7-0.

President Short presented Denny Dickinson with a plaque for earning the honor of Outstanding Board Member.

The facilities lease request of Carolyn Jackson of Providence Missionary Baptist Church to use the Beryl Henry Cafeteria on December 19, 2009, was approved on a motion by Dora Philyaw with a second by Virginia Cully. Motion carried 7-0.

The facilities lease request of Betty Turner representing the Arkansas Regional CME Church to hold their conference using the Hope High School Auditorium on January 17, 2010, was approved on a motion by Danny Watson with a second by Viney Johnson. Motion carried 7-0.

The 2007-2008 Audit Report was presented and discussed in open session.

After a closed session to discuss personnel, the following action was taken:

The resignation of Jeff Cummins effective October 30, 2009, and the retirement of Susan Swink as of the end of the 2009-2010 were accepted on a motion by Dora Philyaw with a second by Jesus Coronado. Motion carried 8-0.

The board voted to employ Natalie Clark as a long-term substitute as of October 19, 2009, for the Elementary Alternative Classroom at Beryl Henry pending certification. This action was a result of a motion by Virginia Cully with a second by Danny Watson. Motion carried 8-0.

The board voted to employ Patsy Matthews and Courtney Ridling as classroom teachers at Clinton Primary retroactive to October 26, 2009, on a motion by Danny Watson with a second by Mike Beasley. Motion carried 8-0.

Lisa Vaughn was moved to the clerical scale for new duties performed on a motion by Dora Philyaw with a second by Denny Dickinson. Motion carried 8-0.

Meeting adjourned.

Joe Short President

Dora Philyaw Secretary