Minutes

Lawrence County School Board Meeting

May 11, 2015

The Lawrence County School Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, May 11, 2015 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's Office at 5:00pm.

Board President Gill called the meeting to order and John Householder offered a prayer.

Ron Ingram moved to approve the minutes as presented. Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

President Gill moved to the Superintendent's Report. The first item was Old Business. Superintendent Belcher informed the Board that the district had received the final payment on the community center project. He also updated them on the new bus that had been purchased by the district.

The next item was New Business. Superintendent Belcher presented the bills for approval. Joe Penn moved to approve payment of the bills. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher gave an update on the Financial Reports.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board accept 15 Freedom of Choice applications and all other choice applications of students that are already in the district, to the Lawrence County School District. John Householder moved to accept the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher presented the HRS Student Insurance for renewal. Joe Penn moved to renew the contract. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent recommended the Board accept the Black Rock City and Fire Department counter offer of \$28,000 to purchase the cafeteria, the old gymnasium, and the high school building at the Black Rock campus with the stipulation that the standard customary conditions by seller and buyer sale would apply, that if a survey is necessary each party would pay half of the cost, and that the offer be approved by Stephens. If the conditions are not met, the offer would be null and void. John Householder moved to approve the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

The bids received from Mt. Vernon Baptist Church and Zach Wilson were tabled at the present time.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve a Board Resolution per Act 1120. Joe Penn moved to approve the resolution. Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

At 5:45p.m. the Board went into Executive session.

At 6:18p.m. the Board reconvened and conducted the following business:

Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the retirement of an elementary teacher, Barbara McNeal. Ron Ingram moved to accept the recommendation. Joh Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the retirement of an elementary teacher, Janet Brand. Ron Ingram moved to accept the recommendation. Joh Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the resignation of an elementary teacher, Brandy Richardson. John Householder moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the resignation of high school teacher, Andrea Huffine. John Householder moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher made the recommendation to accept the resignation of child care worker, Debbie Blalock. John Householder moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board employ elementary teacher, Amanda Henry. Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board employ elementary teacher, Jennifer Brown. Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board employ elementary teacher, Kate Cook. Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board employ elementary art teacher, Jean Fowler. Ron Ingram moved to approve the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board approve a \$1000 test coordinator stipend to the salary schedule. Ron Ingram moved to approve the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board approve employing the following teachers for the summer school program: Stacy Rice, Natalie Wallin, and Sloane Kelley. Ron Ingram moved to accept the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board approve the employment of the following summer child care workers: Natalie Wallin, Erin Manning, DeeDee Bridges, and Jill Caldwell. Vickie Mitchell moved to accept the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The recommendation received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended that the Board approve an increase to the contract of Stephanie Johnson to a 7 hour a day contract. Joe Penn moved to approve Mr. Belcher's recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

After discussion with the Board, Mr. Belcher recommended the Board appoint John Bland to serve Keith Brand's remaining 2014-2015 school board term. Ron Ingram moved to accept the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

In Other Business Mr. Belcher recommended a fee of \$250.00 be paid to the commencement speaker, David M. Smith Jr. and a fee of \$50.00 for each of the Baccalaureate speakers. Mr. Belcher informed the Board of upcoming events. The next regular Board meeting is scheduled Monday June 15th at 5:00 p.m. He also informed the Board that regional baseball games would begin May 12, 2015.

At 6:35 p.m., Pat Roby moved to adjourn the meeting. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Ronald Ingram, Secretary