



***Dardanelle School District  
Board of Education Meeting***

June 13, 2016  
Education Center  
7:00 p.m.

-Minutes-

***Members Present:***

Jerry Dawson, President  
Brandon Carter, Vice President  
Sherry Hicks, Secretary  
Tony Sigle  
Jimmy Witt

***I. Call to Order/Pledge***

President Dawson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Dawson welcomed new board member, Jimmy Witt, who is replacing Jody Sigle in Zone 4.

***II. Statements from the Public***

None

***III. Information Items***

**A. Wellness Report**

School nurse, Annette Sigle, presented the annual wellness report. She provided a school health index for each building along with coke receipts and expenditures. The nurses received a much appreciated grant to upgrade their vision equipment and AEDs. Mrs. Sigle also reviewed upcoming dates for training personnel in CPR and emergency planning.

**B. Building Reports/ALE**

ALE Instructor, Mary Lou Lane, provided an update on the Alternative Learning Environment classrooms. The recent monitoring was passed with no deficiencies noted. In addition, their program plan for the upcoming school year has been approved. She presented each board member a birdhouse handmade by her students. Mrs. Lane noted she and her students have had an extraordinarily good year and she looks forward to the upcoming school year. Summer maintenance and custodial work continues at each building. Middle school recently held a weeklong enrichment camp. Approximately 50 students attended. There are approximately 121 students attending summer school at the high school.

**C. Curriculum Report**

Mr. Burris and Mrs. Kuras were absent from the meeting due to attending out of town professional development training.

#### D. Financial Report

Jennifer Thaxton provided the financial report. The district has an ending balance of \$4,880,027.67 in total operating funds and \$584,156.89 in total building funds as of May 31, 2016.

#### E. Food Service Report

Ms. Figueroa was absent from the meeting.

#### F. Operations Report

Mr. Vestal reported summer maintenance on the bus fleet continues. The administration office was moved last week to the new Front Street location. Additional summer maintenance projects are in full swing.

#### *IV. Discussion Items*

None

#### *V. Action Items BY CONSENSUS*

##### A. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the May 16, 2016 regular meeting minutes and June 6, 2016 special meeting minutes

##### B. Approval of Bills

Approval of the May 2016 bills as submitted

##### C. District Ex-Officio Financial Officer

Administration recommended that the Superintendent serve as Ex-Officio Financial Officer for the District for the 2016-2017 school year

##### D. 2016-2017 District ACSIP Plan

Administration recommended approving the 2016-2017 ACSIP Plan as submitted

Mrs. Hicks moved to approve the action items by consensus. Motion carried 5-0.

#### *VI. Action Items*

##### A. Approval of Trash Bids

***\*\*Sealed bids were opened at the meeting\*\****

Bids were as follows:

Waste Management \$1856.44 per month including tax

Rick Taylor Trash \$2762.50 per month including tax

Ramco \$3041.67 per month including tax

Administration recommended approving the low bid of \$1856.44 per month with Waste Management for trash services during the 2016-2017 school year.

Mr. Carter moved to approve the low bid with Waste Management as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

#### B. 2016-2017 Property and Vehicle Coverage Bids

Administration recommended accepting a bid from Arkansas School Boards Association Risk Management Program for a total premium of \$86,409.60 (\$12,679.01 vehicle, \$73,480.59 property, and \$250.00 mobile equipment). *This is an increase in overall premiums of \$1525.73 from last year.*

Mrs. Hicks moved to approve the bid from Arkansas School Boards Association Risk Management as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

#### C. 2017-2018 District Budget

Administration recommended approval of the 2017-2018 District Budget as submitted to be published in accordance with the Annual School Election requirements and timelines.

Mr. Carter moved to approve the 2017-2018 District Budget as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

#### D. Petition for Student Transfer

Administration recommended approving a petition for student transfer for *name omitted* to transfer from Dardanelle to Russellville effective the 2016-2017 school year.

Mr. Carter moved to approve the petition for student transfer as submitted. Motion carried 4-1 with Mrs. Hicks voting in opposition.

#### E. Board Officer Updates

Due to the recent resignation of board vice-president, Jody Sigle, administration recommended Brandon Carter serve as board vice-president and alternate dispersing officer.

Mr. Sigle moved to update the board officer positions as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.



### ***VII. Executive Session***

***The board adjourned to executive session at 7:35 p.m. and returned at 8:15 p.m.***

#### **Employment:**

Administration recommended employing ***Wendy Chancellor*** with a BA and 5 years of experience as a Primary Instructor effective the 2016-2017 school year contingent upon completing the requirements of the pre-employment background checks.

Administration recommended employing ***Ashley Pledger*** with a BA and 0 years of experience as a Primary Instructor effective the 2016-2017 school year contingent upon completing the requirements of the pre-employment background checks.

Administration recommended employing **Abbey Stokes** with a BA and 0 years of experience as a Middle School Instructor effective the 2016-2017 school year contingent upon completing the requirements of the pre-employment background checks and completion of masters in teaching resulting in certification.

Administration recommended amending the contract of **Stephanie Melder** for extra duties of 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School Tutor for the 2016-2017 school year at a rate of \$30.00 per hour.

Administration recommended amending the contract of **Laurie Gagne** for extra duties of Novice Teacher Mentor (for Reed Mendoza) at a rate of \$750.00 per semester during the 2016-2017 school year.

Administration recommended amending the contract of **Amy Montgomery** for extra duties of Novice Teacher Mentor (for Abbey Stokes) at a rate of \$750.00 per semester during the 2016-2017 school year.

Administration recommended amending the contract of **Anthony Ross** for extracurricular duties of Assistant Soccer Coach effective the 2016-2017 school year.

Administration recommended employing **Mike Roper** as Maintenance, Step 13, effective June 14, 2016 contingent upon completing the requirements of the pre-employment background checks.

Administration recommended employing **Phil Vega** as a Head Football Coach effective June 13, 2016.

**Resignations:**

Administration recommended accepting the resignation of **Jeffrey Manatt** effective the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

Mr. Carter moved to approve all of the employment recommendations as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

**VIII. Adjourn**

At 8:18 p.m. Mrs. Hicks moved to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.

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Jerry Dawson, President

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Sherry Hicks, Secretary