

## MINUTES

Regular Board of Education Meeting

August 16, 2018

Early Childhood Center

5:30 p.m.

Closed Session – 5:30 p.m.

Open Session – 6:30 p.m.

Tim Mullen, President  
Scott Perkins, Vice-President  
Sylvia Brown, Treasurer

Jason Evans, Member  
Kim Grayson, Member  
Tana Booker, Member  
Justin Strong, Member

- I. Call to order and roll call at 5:36 p.m. at the Early Childhood Center, Tim Mullen, President, presiding.
- II. Motion by Sylvia and second by Justin to approve the August 16, 2018 agenda as presented. All members present voted yes on said motion.
- III. Motion by Sylvia and second by Tana to adjourn Open Session to go into Closed Session for Section 610.021.1 (Legal), 610.021.3 & .13 (Personnel Matters). Tim-yea, Scott-yea, Sylvia-yea, Jason-yea, Kim-yea, Tana-yea, and Justin-yea. Meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.
- IV. Call to order and roll call at 6:41 p.m. for the Special Session of the board meeting for the tax rate hearing. Tim Mullen, President presiding. All members present.
  - A. Motion by Sylvia and second by Jason to approve the tax rates for the 2018-2019 school year. All members present voted yes on said motion.
- V. Motion by Sylvia and second by Kim to adjourn special session and begin open session. Special session adjourned at 6:45 p.m.
- VI. Call to order and roll call at 6:45 p.m. to begin open session. Tim Mullen, President, presiding. All members present.
- VII. All said the Pledge of Allegiance.
- VIII. There was not a public comment.
- IX. Consent Agenda Items:  
Motion by Tana and second by Justin to approve the consent agenda items as presented. All members present voted yes on said motion.

- X. Reports:
- A. MSBA – no report given.
  - B. Steelville Organization of Staff – no report given.
  - C. High School Principal, Mr. Vetter reported it was a great first day of school. The high school had assemblies in the morning and the students did activities in the classrooms in the afternoon with the teachers. Middle School Principal, Mrs. Billingsley reported that the teachers did not teach procedures to the students. Every student went to every classroom and did team building activities. It was something different for the students than a normal first day and the kids really enjoyed it. Elementary Principal, Mrs. Richter reported that her teachers did teach procedures most of the day with the students. Kindergarten night and meet-your-teacher night went very well.
  - D. Food Service Director, Kim Harmon reported that the first day went well in the cafeterias. The salad bar at the high school was moved and put under a sneeze guard. It looks better and the kids liked it.
  - E. Director of Learning, Matt Hammonds reported that this school year the focus will be on the top ten power standards. He wants to see everyone master them vertically throughout the buildings. I-Ready will be used again at the Elementary and Middle School. The high school will be switching from Renaissance to Reading Plus.
  - F. Athletic Director, Josh Booker reported that all Fall Sports are going well. Volleyball has about twenty girls participating and Softball has about thirteen girls. The middle school and high school cross country teams have a lot of members and it should be an exciting season. He encouraged everyone to come out and support these teams. He looks forward to a great year.
  - G. Transportation Director, Jodie Cottrell reported that the first day of school went well on the buses and routes ran smoothly.
  - H. Superintendent, Mr. Whittaker reported that the account coding is still going well, but still a lot to do. He hopes that all coding is finished by the end of September. He was very pleased with all buildings on their preparation of getting their buildings ready for the first day of school. Teachers have done an amazing job painting and decorating their rooms. Mr. Whittaker showed a video of all new teachers introducing themselves and where they will be teaching. He also gave everyone a handout regarding attendance for the first day of school and gave some number projections. His biggest concern was the fourth grade growing numbers. Mrs. Richter is keeping a close eye on the fourth grade class sizes.
  - I. Teacher, Sheila Becker presented to the Board the new school website and pointed out a lot of new features and how much more user-friendly the new website is. Sheila maintains the website and stressed to the Board if they see any issues to please contact her.

- XI. Previous Business:
1. Facilities Update – The bus shed is on track to be built on the approved site. Board Member, Justin Strong asked about the twenty acres by the Music Theatre and if they school had the option to purchase it. Mr. Whittaker said this topic will be put on the agenda for next month.
  2. Motion by Jason and second by Justin to terminate the Ittner Architect Contract. All members present voted yes on said motion.
  3. Motion by Sylvia and second by Tana to approve the Integrity Engineering Architect Contract. All members present voted yes on said motion.
- XII. New Business:
1. Motion by Tana and second by Jason to approve the 2018-2019 bus routes. All members present voted yes on said motion.
  2. Motion by Sylvia and second by Scott to approve the Student Support Plan. All members present voted yes on said motion.
  3. Motion by Kim and second by Jason to approve Scott Perkins for the volunteer Softball coaching assignment. Mr. Perkins will not be compensated. Tim-yea, Scott-abstained, Sylvia-yea, Jason-yea, Kim-yea, Tana-yea, and Justin-yea. Motion approved.
  4. Motion by Sylvia and second by Jason to set the next regular School Board Meeting date for September 20, 2018, with the closed session beginning at 5:30 p.m. and the regular session beginning at 6:30 p.m. All members present voted yes on said motion.
- XIII. Motion by Sylvia and second by Justin to adjourn the meeting to go back into Closed Session to complete any unfinished business from the closed session at the beginning of the meeting. Tim-yea, Scott-yea, Sylvia-yea, Jason-yea, Kim-yea, Tana-yea, and Justin-yea. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.
- XIV. Motion by Scott and second by Jason to adjourn the meeting. Tim-yea, Scott-yea, Sylvia-yea, Jason-yea, Kim-yea, Tana-yea, and Justin-yea. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

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