

## MINUTES

Regular Board of Education Meeting

August 19, 2021

Early Childhood Center

Closed Session – 5:30 p.m.

Open Session – 6:30 p.m.

Tim Mullen, President

Scott Perkins, Vice-President

Kim Grayson, Treasurer

Tana Booker, Member

Jason Evans, Member

Kevin Green, Member

Rebecca Sackman, Member

- I. Call to order and roll call at 5:30 p.m. at the Early Childhood Center, Tim Mullen, President, presiding. All members present with the exception of Kim Grayson.
- II. Motion made by Jason, and second by Scott to approve the August 19, 2021 Regular School Board Agenda and Closed School Board agenda with the addition of 610.021.2 (Real Estate) as presented. All members present voted yes on said motion.
- III. Motion made by Rebecca, and second by Jason to adjourn Open Session to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 610.021.1 (Legal), Section 610.021.2 (Real Estate), and Section 610.021.3 (Personnel Matters-hiring, firing, promoting). Tim-yea, Scott-yea, Tana-yea, Jason-yea, Kevin-yea, and Rebecca-yea. Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.
- IV. Call to order and roll call at 6:35 p.m. for the Special Open Session of the board meeting for the tax rate hearing. Tim Mullen, President presiding. All members present with the exception of Kim Grayson.
  - A. Motion by Jason and second by Scott to approve the tax rate of \$3.0989 for operations and \$0.7700 for debt. Total: \$3.8689. All members present voted yes on said motion.
- V. Motion by Tana and second by Jason to adjourn Special open session and begin open session. Special open session adjourned at 6:45 p.m.
- VI. Call to order and roll call at 6:45 p.m. to begin regular open session. Tim Mullen, President, presiding. All members present with the exception of Kim Grayson.
- VII. All said the Pledge of Allegiance.
- VIII. Public Comment – none.

- IX. Consent Agenda Items:  
Motion made by Tana, and second by Scott, to approve the consent agenda items. All members present voted yes on said motion.
- X. Reports:
- A. MSBA report – no report given.
- B. Superintendent Report
- Stephanie Billingsley, MS Principal, will be designated as the district's homeless coordinator since Kim Zeiss is new to the position of counselor.
  - Steelville Cardinals: Better Together t-shirts are finished and will be given to all staff members.
  - District wide polo shirts were ordered, with building administration approval. The cost of the shirts will be split among all three building budgets.
  - Proceeding with the afternoon snack/meal grant that allows for meals that are fully reimbursable.
  - The district is moving forward with three new dishwashers and three new ice machines that will eliminate the need for outside ice storage. Cost on ice machines is \$3317.60. Remember that there was money in food service that needed to be expended. A range hood in the elementary is coming as well. Cost on dishwashers is a lease at approximately \$190 per unit per month. This is up just a little from previous lease terms. We looked into buying machines, but not a viable option.
  - Back to school week is going well. Great attendance so far at the various orientations. Meet your teacher night is going now.
  - Proposal to drop valedictorian and salutatorian designations and replace them with summa, magna and cum laude recognitions, much like college. You have a document on this. Discussion and potential action next month.
  - Upgrade of the existing control panel on chip furnace. Can combine service call for installation when they come to do. Perryville's: \$10,663.11. Pricey but probably necessary. You should have this document, too.
  - Guidance provided by DESE this week on quarantining/isolations/masking, etc. Document was given to the board.
  - All staff and students will get photo ids. Long term subs as well or those who frequently sub. Badge holders/lanyards will be provided. Bar code/QR code for lunch counts, and other scan systems to be included as needed.
  - School starts Tuesday, August 24<sup>th</sup>.

XI. Previous Business:

1. Facilities Update – Leon Callahan, Maintenance Supervisor reported that the Elementary library air conditioner stopped working. Permission was given to order a new unit in the amount of \$15,000 and it should be here in 3-5 days from Hartley's. Leon also reported that he researched pricing for new HVAC at the Ag Building (approx. \$38,000) and High School (approx. \$138,000). Mrs. Hess reported that classrooms are ready to go for the first day of school.
2. Motion made by Scott, and second by Tana to approve the revised Safe Return to School Plan. All members voted yes on said motion.

XII. New Business:

1. Preschool Accreditation – Molly Harris, Pre-K Teacher and Jennifer Mullen, Parents As Teachers spoke to the Board about keeping Accreditation and forego licensing. The Board agreed to forego on licensing and keep Accreditation.
2. Motion made by Scott, and second by Jason to rescind policy IGBB- Programs for Gifted Students. All members voted yes on said motion.
3. Motion made by Jason, and second by Rebecca to approve surplus property as presented. All members voted yes on said motion.  
Motion made by Tana, and second by Kevin to award the bid of used playground equipment to Eugene Pfeiffer in the amount of \$676.90. All members voted yes on said motion.
4. Motion made by Jason, and second by Kevin to approve the uniform rental contract for our maintenance department with Cintas. All members voted yes on said motion.
5. Motion made by Tana, and second by Scott to approve the rental contract for Logo Mats with Cintas. All members voted yes on said motion.
6. Motion made by Jason, and second by Rebecca to approve the agreement with Therapylog for School Support Services. All members voted yes on said motion.
7. Motion made by Kevin, and second by Tana to approve two overnight FFA trips. October 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> to American Royal in Kansas City (6 students) and October 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN (25 students).
8. Motion made by Scott, and second by Kevin to table the Lease Agreement with the City of Steelville in regards to the Park. All members voted yes on said motion.
9. Motion made by Scott, and second by Rebecca to table student random drug testing for the middle school and high school. All members voted yes on said motion.
10. Motion made by Scott, and second by Kevin to reimburse going forward for new employee background checks. All members voted yes on said motion.

