

DEWITT SCHOOL BOARD

March 7, 2016

The Board of Directors of the DeWitt School District met in its regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 7, 2016, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Brad Koen. Others present were Vice-president Drew Whiting, Secretary Shawanna Wansley, and Board Members Kenneth Graves, April Herring, Johnny Lockley, and Bruce Morgan, along with Superintendent Dr. Lynne Dardenne.

Student Showcase – The following students were recognized for their achievements:

- Garrett Cummings – All-State Bowling
- Jordan Davis – All-State Band, All-State Jazz Band

Presentations – On behalf of the Arkansas Legislature, State Representative David Hillman presented awards to:

- Dr. Lynne Dardenne – Educator of the Year
- April Herring – Employee of the Year

Consent Agenda

Minutes – A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2016, meeting. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:05 p.m.)

Financial – Mrs. Herring made to motion to approve the February financial report as presented. Second by Mr. Lockley. 7-0 (7:06 p.m.)

New Business

Standards and Assurance – Mr. Whiting made a motion to accept the formal letter of approval from Standards and Assurance which shows DeWitt is compliant in all areas. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0. (7:15 p.m.)

2015 Audit – A motion to approve the 2015 audit which showed no findings was made by Mr. Morgan. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:18 p.m.)

Canopy Bids – Mr. Lockley made a motion to accept the bid in the amount of \$68,000.00 from Monticello Aluminum for the remaining canopy for high school and middle school campuses as designated in architectural plans. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0. (7:21 p.m.)

Fiber and Data Bids – A motion to accept the bid in the amount of \$95,690.00 from Blue Sky for fiber and data for new middle school was made by Mrs. Herring. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:29 p.m.)

Asbestos Bids – A motion was made by Mr. Lockley to accept the bid from Environmental Protection Associates in the amount of \$19,874.00 for asbestos removal in the high school band room, agri building, and lobby and gym classroom. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0. (7:35 p.m.)

Change Order – Mr. Whiting made a motion to table the change order recommendation for the band room and cafeteria renovation. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:42 p.m.)

Request for use of building – A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to grant the request from Gillett Farmers and Businessmen to use the Gillett cafeteria for a family fish fry March 14, 2016. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0. (7:56 p.m.)

Superintendent's Report

Construction Report – was given by Project Superintendent Sheldon Griffis.

Project Lead the Way – Dr. Dardenne reported that Project Lead-the-Way Gateway to Technology funding has been received in the amount of \$34,671.00 for DeWitt Middle School One-to-One.

Technology – Dr. Dardenne explained the three-year plan with cost.

Kindergarten Registration - will be held March 31 for DeWitt and Gillett.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:35 p.m. for consideration of personnel. After coming out of Executive Session and declaring itself to be in open session, the following action was taken.

Resignations

A motion to accept the resignation of **Jay Bly** as High School math teacher was made by Mr. Whiting. Second by Mr. Morgan. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Morgan made a motion to accept the resignation of **Justin Russell** Senior High Boys Basketball Coach. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Wansley to accept the resignation of **Lisa Wilson** as Virtual Arkansas Lab Facilitator. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Whiting made a motion to accept **Jerome Wilson's** resignation from all athletic responsibilities. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0.

Employment

Mr. Lockley made a motion to accept the recommendation to renew the contracts of all licensed personnel who requested renewal with the exception of those who may receive a letter of non-renewal by May 1, 2016. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0.

Date Approved: _____

BRAD KOEN, PRESIDENT

SHAWANNA WANSLEY, SECRETARY