

DEWITT SCHOOL BOARD

October 11, 2016

The Board of Directors of the DeWitt School District met in its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Offices.

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

Student Showcase

Girls Golf Team – was recognized for winning the conference championship and placing third in the state.

Robotics Team – was recognized for finishing first in their competition.

Board Reorganization –

President - A motion to elect Mr. Koen as President was made by Mr. Whiting. Second by Mrs. Herring. Mr. Graves then made a motion to cease nominations and elect Mr. Koen by acclamation. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 6-0.

Vice-president – Mrs. Herring made a motion to elect Mr. Whiting as Vice-president. Mr. Lockley made a motion to cease nominations. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Mr. Lockley then made a motion to elect Mr. Whiting by acclamation. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 6-0.

Secretary – A motion to elect Mrs. Wansley as Secretary was made by Mrs. Herring. Mr. Lockley made a motion to cease nominations. Second by Mr. Whiting. A motion to elect Mrs. Wansley as Secretary by acclamation was made by Mr. Whiting. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0.

Ex-Officio Financial Secretary – Mr. Whiting made a motion to elect Dr. Lynne Dardenne as Ex-officio financial secretary. Mr. Lockley made a motion to cease nominations and elect Dr. Dardenne by acclamation. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0.

Consent Agenda

Minutes – Mrs. Herring made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2016, meeting. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 6-0. (7:21 p.m.)

Financial – A motion to approve the September financial report as presented was made by Mrs. Herring. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 6-0. (7:26 p.m.)

Statement of Assurance – Mr. Lockley made a motion to approve the district's 2016-17 Statement of Assurance. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0. (7:30 p.m.)

Driver's Ed Statement of Assurance – A motion to approve the Driver's Ed Statement of Assurance for 2016-17 was made by Mrs. Herring. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 6-0. (7:32 p.m.)

MOU for Personal Care Services – A motion was made by Mrs. Herring to contract with Lillian Herring, R.N. for personal care services. Second by Mr. Whiting. Motion carried 6-0. (7:35 p.m.)

Selection of ASBA Delegate – Mr. Whiting made a motion to elect Brad Koen as the voting delegate to the annual ASBA convention. Second by Mrs. Herring. Mrs. Wansley made a motion to cease nominations. Second by Mr. Lockley. Mrs. Wansley made a motion to elect Mr. Koen by acclamation. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0. (7:38 p.m.)

Sidewalk Fencing – A motion to purchase up to 100 feet of tubed fencing to go on the South side of the middle school and add more fencing, if needed, later was made by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0. (7:45 p.m.)

Out of State Trip Request – Mr. Graves made a motion to grant the request from Carole Anderson to attend the FBLA Fall Leadership Conference in Daytona Beach, FL. In November. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 6-0. (7:48 p.m.)

Personnel Policy Committee – Mrs. Hubsch gave a report to the board on items the committee has been discussing.

Superintendent's Report - Dr. Dardenne gave a report to the board on items listed below:

DeWitt Middle School Open House and Ribbon Cutting – October 23, 2016, at 2:30 p.m.

New Board Member Training – October 17

Region 9 Fall Meeting – Thursday, October 20 in Marianna

ASBA Annual Meeting – December 7, 8, and 9 in Little Rock

Property Appraisal Update- Entered into a contract with Ted Thorton with Southeast Arkansas Appraisal for appraisals of the old middle school properties and other properties owned by the district.

Annual Report to the Public- November 8, 2016, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the new safe room

Learning Walk – will be held at DeWitt Elementary October 13 at 9:00a.m.

The Board went into executive session at 9:15 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.

Resignation and Employment – A motion to accept the resignation of Daniel White as Junior High Quiz Bowl coach and employ Kyle Rowland in that position was made by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 6-0.

Leave of Absence – Mr. Whiting made a motion to grant the leave request from Sabrina Rodgers for the remainder of the first semester. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Whiting. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 6-0.

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Date Approved: _____

BRAD KOEN, PRESIDENT

SHAWANNA WANSLEY, SECRETARY