

DEWITT SCHOOL BOARD

August 15, 2017

The Board of Directors of the DeWitt School District met in its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 15, 2017, 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, Johnny Lockley and Bruce Morgan, along with Superintendent Dr. Lynne Dardenne.

Consent Agenda

Minutes – A motion was made by Mrs. Herring to approve of the minutes of the regular meeting on July 13, 2017, along with the minutes of the special meeting on July 27, 2017. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:01 p.m.)

Financial – Mr. Whiting made a motion to approve the July financial report. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:02 p.m.)

Salary Increases Exceeding Five Percent – Mr. Morgan made a motion to adopt a resolution which verifies and approves salary increases from the fiscal year 2016-2017 for the attached list of employees. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0. (7:04 p.m.)

Student Transfer Requests

Student #1 – A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to grant the student request to transfer from Stuttgart to DeWitt. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0. (7:06 p.m.)

Student #2 – Mr. Lockley made a motion to grant the student request to transfer from DeWitt to Stuttgart. Second by Mr. Whiting. Motion carried 7-0. (7:07 p.m.)

Students # 3 and 4 – Mrs. Herring made a motion to grant two (2) student requests to transfer from DeWitt to Stuttgart. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:10 p.m.)

Act 1599 Resolution – A motion was made by Mr. Graves to adopt a resolution to enter into a resolution agreement to conduct business with the attached list of vendors in compliance with ACT 1599. The period of time of this resolution is August 2017 to August 2018. Second by Mr. Morgan. Motion carried 7-0. (7:12 p.m.)

ASBA Membership – Mrs. Wansley made a motion to renew the board's membership in the Arkansas School Boards Association for the 2017-18 school year at a cost of \$2,050.00. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:15 p.m.)

Expenditures Approval

Smart Boards - A motion to approve the purchase of three (3) smart boards at a cost of \$13,616.37 was made by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0. (7:16)

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Flex Microphones – A motion was made by Mr. Graves to approve sixteen (16) flex microphones in the amount of \$20,948.00 (purchased with 6-B funds) for use by DES and DMS. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:20 p.m.)

The board went into executive session at 7:30 p.m. After coming out of executive session and declaring itself to be in open session, the following action was taken.

Personnel

Employment

Mr. Graves made a motion to accept the recommendation to employ **Keta Turner** as Kindergarten teacher effective August 7, 2017. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the recommendation to employ **Jeff Brown** as cafeteria worker pending passage of criminal background check and child maltreatment central registry check. Second by Mr. Whiting. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion to employ **Leslee Adams** as ALE parapro, as recommended, pending passage of criminal background check and child maltreatment central registry check was made by Mrs. Herring. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0.

Mrs. Herring made a motion to accept the recommendation to employ **Mary Martin** as Special Education resource teacher pending passage of criminal background check and child maltreatment central registry check and issuance of provisional license by ADE. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried. 7-0.

Salary Adjustment – A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to accept the recommendation to adjust the salary of **Bobbie Steeland** based on the administrative reassignment to the position of DeWitt Elementary School Principal. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0.

Mrs. Herring made a motion to accept the recommendation to make an adjustment in pay for **Mallory Roberts** who completed her masters degree. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: _____

BRAD KOEN, PRESIDENT

SHAWANNA WANSLEY, SECRETARY

