

**DEWITT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**August 9, 2016**

The Board of Directors of the DeWitt School District met in its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August, 9, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Offices.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Brad Koen. Others present were Secretary Shawanna Wansley, and Board Members Kenneth Graves, April Herring, Johnny Lockley, and Bruce Morgan, along with Superintendent Dr. Lynne Dardenne. Drew Whiting was absent.

**Recognition of Staff Awards**

Linda Gunnell was recognized as Arkansas Game and Fish Educator of the Year.  
Deane McEuen was recognized for receiving the Distinguished Diamond Award for an exemplary ALE program.

**Consent Agenda**

**Minutes** – A motion was made by Mr. Morgan to approve the minutes from the following meetings:

- July 12, 2016 Regular Meeting
- July 19, 2016 Special Meeting
- August 4, 2016 Special Meeting

Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 6-0. (7:08 p.m.)

**Financial** – Mrs. Herring made a motion to approve the July financial report as presented. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 6-0. (7:10 p.m.)

**Add Item** – A motion to add Item G to the agenda was made by Mr. Morgan. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 6-0. (7:12 p.m.)

**Five Percent Salary Resolution** – A motion to approve a board resolution approving a 5% increase in salary over the previous year was made by Mrs. Herring. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0. (7:16 p.m.)

**Student Transfers** – Mr. Lockley made a motion to grant three student transfer requests. Second by Mr. Morgan. Motion carried 6-0. (7:20)

**Fencing Around Mechanical Area and Sidewalk at DMS** – Mr. Lockley made a motion to approve the recommendation to install fencing around the mechanical areas and sidewalk at DMS. This recommendation also includes seeking cost of a second rail. These have been submitted as a change order by Baldwin-Shell. Materials and installation are listed below:

- Chain Link – East Pad 109 ft, 4ft high, single gate – with slats - \$4,054.00 + 3.5% Bond  
without slats - \$3,058.00 + 3.5% Bond
- Chain Link – West Pad 97 ft. 4 ft high, single gate – with slats - \$3,200.00 + 3.5% Bond  
without slats - \$2,821.00 + 3.5% Bond
- Rail along south end – 330 linear feet 1 ½ standard pipe with one coat of primer  
\$13,770.00

Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 6-0. (7:35 p.m.)

**Appraisal** – Mrs. Herring made a motion to approve the request to seek appraisal for the old DMS and all vacant properties belonging to the district. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 6-0. (7:36 p.m.)

**Bread Bids** – A motion was made by Mr. Lockley to accept the bid from Ben E. Keith for bread for the 2016-17 school year. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 6-0. (7:44 p.m.)

**Substitute Pay Consideration** - Mr. Lockley made a motion to accept the recommendation to increase substitute pay as listed:

Non-degree 0-10 days - \$65

Non-degree over 10 consecutive days in the same position - \$70

Degreed 0-10 - \$70

Degreed over 10 consecutive days in the same position - \$85

Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 6-0. (7:50 p.m.)

**ASBA Region Director** – A motion to nominate Kenneth Graves for the position of Region 9 director for the ASBA Board was made by Mrs. Wansley. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 6-0. (7:54 p.m.)

**Superintendent's Report**

- A. Sheldon Griffis gave a construction update.
- B. Staffing
- C. School Board Election

**Southern Leadership Conference** – Shawanna Wansley and April Herring gave a report on their attending the Southern Leadership Conference July 31 – August 2.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:05 for consideration of personnel. After coming out of Executive Session and declaring itself to be in open session, a motion to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. was made by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 6-0.

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BRAD KOEN, PRESIDENT

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SHAWANNA WANSLEY, SECRETARY