

**DEWITT SCHOOL BOARD**  
**July 12, 2016**

The Board of Directors of the DeWitt School District met in its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Offices.

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.

**Construction Update** – was given by project Superintendent Sheldon Griffis. (7:08 p.m.)

**Consent Agenda**

**Minutes** – A motion was made by Mrs. Herring to approve the minutes from the June 14, 2016, meeting. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:10 p.m.)

**Financial** – Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve the June financial report as presented. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0. (7:12 p.m.)

**New Business**

**Teacher Licensure Waiver Resolution** – A motion was made by Mr. Graves that DeWitt join with the districts of the South East Arkansas Education Co-op in requesting that the State Board of Education grant waivers to these districts under Act 1240 that have been given to Arkansas Virtual Academy, a charter which pulls students from our district. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (7:18 p.m.)

**Student Transfer** – Mr. Lockley made a motion to grant a request for an in-district transfer from GES to DES. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0. (7:20 p.m.)

**ASBA Policy Updates** – A motion to accept the ASBA policy change recommendations to sections three, seven, and eight as presented, was made by Mr. Morgan. Second by Mr. Whiting. Motion carried 7-0. (7:25 p.m.)

**Consideration of Handbooks** – After discussion concerning corrections, handbook vote was tabled until Tuesday, July 19, 2016, on a motion by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0. (8:25 p.m.)

**Construction Change Order for Lockers** – Mr. Morgan made a motion to approve the change order to install 40 WEC single tier lockers that are 18x12x60, at a cost of \$9,020.00. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (8:28 p.m.)

**Consideration of Construction Order for Parking Lot Resurfacing and Repair** – A motion to table action on this until a special meeting later in the month when more information can be gathered, was made by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0. (8:34 p.m.)

**Change Order for School Entrance** – It has been determined that the DMS entrance drive can be left as is at a savings to the district of \$19,628.00. A motion was made by Mrs. Herring to accept this change order. Second by Mr. Lockley. Motion carried 7-0. (8:37 p.m.)

**Change Order for Gym Lobby, Classroom and Hallway** – Mrs. Wansley made a motion to approve the change order to install VCT flooring in the lobby of the existing gym and hallways along with porcelain tile in lobby restrooms. Baldwin Shell will forego a five percent surcharge for the change. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0. (8:39 p.m.)

**Opening of Bids for Food Service** –

**Milk** – Mr. Morgan made a motion to accept the bid from Hiland Dairy for milk for the 2016-17 school year. Second by Mr. Graves. Motion carried 7-0. (8:45 p.m.)

**Bread** – There were no bread bids submitted.

**Election Resolution** – Due to one candidate only filing for zones two and four, a motion to adopt the attached resolution requesting the 2016 annual school election be conducted by early voting and absentee ballot only was made by Mr. Lockley. Second by Mr. Morgan. Motion carried 7-0. (8:47 p.m.)

**Superintendent's Report**

Julie Adams gave a preliminary ACT Aspire data report

School Elections

Date for parent/student DMS open house

Date for ribbon cutting/community open house

**Stipend Wording Change** – A motion was made by Mr. Graves to modify the salary stipend schedule to read High School Principal/JVC Principal, as recommended. Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0. (8:55 p.m.)

**Title** – Mrs. Wansley made a motion to change Pre-School Director to Program Director. Second by Mr. Morgan. Motion carried 7-0. (8:57 p.m.)

The board went into executive session at 9:00 p.m. for the 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 was made by Mrs. Herring to accept the resignations of the following:

- Samantha Foster - Elementary Counselor
- Lindsey Beaton - Girl's Track Coach
- Lisa Sampson - Retirement

Second by Mr. Whiting. Motion carried 7-0.

**Employment** – Mr. Graves made a motion to employ the following personnel:

- Chris Clinton - Golf
- Sondra Clonger - Elementary Counselor
- Emily Fisher - Computer Technology and Keyboarding

Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion to employ the following personnel was made by Mr. Lockley:

- Madison Page - DES Secretary
- Leslie Dawes - Medium Route Bus Driver
- Garrett Kibble - ALE Para Professional

Second by Mr. Morgan. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Graves to approve the recommended administrative transfers:

- Rose Williams - from cafeteria worker to cafeteria manager
- Randy Phillips - from ALE teacher to Biology teacher (4-5 period)
- Keane Guiden - ALE teacher
- Marty Weaver - from DeWitt High School Principal to Arkansas County Juvenile Detention Principal/Director
- Clay Ashcraft - from DMS principal to DHS principal
- Justin Russell - from DMS Dean of Students to DMS principal
- Keane Guiden - Head Girl's Track Coach

Second by Mrs. Wansley. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Wansley. Second by Mrs. Herring. Motion carried 7-0.

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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BRAD KOEN, PRESIDENT

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SHAWANNA WANSLEY, SECRETARY