

Minutes of Board of Education Regular Meeting
Conway Public Schools Administration Building
2220 Prince Street
January 12, 2016

Members Present: Mr. Chuck Shipp, Mr. Carl Barger, Dr. Adam Lamey, Mr. Bill Clements, Mr. André Acklin, Mr. Scott Champlin, Mr. Trip Leach

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Superintendent Greg Murry; Assistant Superintendent Carroll Bishop; Directors Dianne Allen, Dr. K.K. Bradshaw, Dr. David Westmoreland, Charlotte Vann, Debbie Bunting; Business Manager Zinnia Clanton; Communication Specialist Heather Kendrick; Recording Secretary Peggy Town.

Board President Shipp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent Murry welcomed and introduced Abby Duvall, Student Representative of the Month. The daughter of Kim Bell and Eric Duvall, Abby is in the 7th grade at Carl Stuart Middle School. Her favorite subject is social studies; and her hobbies include singing, running and performing. Abby sings on the Worship Team at New Life Church and she is a member of Carl Stuart's Choir and track team. Abby is a tireless worker with an impressive work ethic who refuses to settle for mediocre. She is not only upbeat and always smiling, she is quick to help teachers AND other students. After responding to questions from the Board, Abby led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was unanimously approved at 6:04 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Barger and seconded by Dr. Lamey. Items on the consent agenda were:

1. Approval of Minutes - December 8, 2015 Regular Meeting
2. Approval of the List of Bills Paid in December 2015
3. Approval of Purchase Orders
4. Approval of the Following Policies:
 - 1.2 - Board Organization and Vacancies; 1.6 - Board Member Voting; 1.6.1 - Attending Meetings Remotely; 1.9 - Policy Formulation; 1.17 – Nepotism; 1.19 - Board Member Length of Term and Holdovers; 7.5 - Purchases of Commodities; 7.17 - Management and Disposal of District Property; 7.23 - Health Care Coverage and the Affordable Care Act
5. Approval of Sale of Legacy Acoustical Shell, Consisting of Nine Panels, from the James H. Clark Auditorium
6. Approval of Petition for Transfer of Student into CPSD: one child from Vilonia School District filed by Andrea Farfan
7. Approval of the Act 1599 Resolutions for Jim Alexander Painting and Odie Phillips, III

Superintendent's Report

- Recognition of USDA Farm-to-School Grant – Food Service Supervisor Sharon Burgess apprised the Board on a Farm-to-School Grant awarded to the Conway School District by the USDA. The District received a planning grant to design a local food processing kitchen program in a centralized school kitchen facility that will allow the District's schools to serve nutritious local produce throughout the school year. Via FaceTime, Congressman French Hill remotely attended the meeting from the first floor of the U.S. Capitol Building. He congratulated the District,

stating that he thought it was fantastic that Conway received this recognition. He wished the District good luck with the program.

- Recognition of Student Jillian Tang – CHS Principal Linn stated that it was a great honor to recognize one of Conway’s best and brightest, Miss Jillian Tang. A junior at CHS, Jillian earned a perfect score of 36 on her ACT. The Board and Superintendent Murry congratulated Jillian on her accomplishment.
- Recognition of National Board Certified Teachers – Superintendent Murry introduced the District’s newest National Board Certified Teachers: Donna Adolph and Haley Morris. The Board congratulated the teachers on their significant achievement. This brings the District’s total National Board Certified teachers to 67.
- Board Financial Report - Superintendent Murry presented the December financials to the Board, stating that the District’s finances are as they should be at this time of the year.

Directors’ Reports

- Proposed Policy Revisions – Dr. K.K. Bradshaw, Director of Administrative Services, reviewed the proposed changes to the following policies for the Board to consider and vote upon at the February 2016 meeting: 4.5 School Choice; 4.12 Student Equal Access; 4.37 Emergency Drills; 4.45 Graduation Requirements; 4.55 Student Promotion; 6.4 Volunteers.
- 2016-17 School Calendar – Dianne Allen, Personnel Director, presented the 2016-2017 Academic Calendar. Two calendar options had been approved by the Personnel Committees. Both options follow all rules and regulations required by statute. The options were presented to the staff for a vote, and Option 1 received 57% of the vote.

Dr. Lamey made a motion to approve Option 1 as the official school calendar for the 2016-2017 school year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Champlin and passed unanimously at 6:32 p.m.

Personnel Approval

Upon a motion made by Mr. Clements and seconded by Dr. Lamey, the following personnel recommendations of the Superintendent were unanimously approved by the Board at 6:33 p.m., as presented in the agenda:

- Resignations
 1. Amy Bearden Thompson - Special Ed Paraprofessional, Julia Lee Moore, effective December 15, 2015
 2. Kimberly McCarty - Special Ed Paraprofessional, Julia Lee Moore, effective December 18, 2015
 3. Dr. David Westmoreland, Director of Student Services, effective June 30, 2016
- Elections
 1. Mika Bishop - Family and Consumer Science Teacher, Conway Area Career Center, #1623
 2. Sharon Cossey - Food Service Worker, Jim Stone Elementary

Video Presentation

Heather Kendrick, Communication Specialist, presented a video showing how much our students appreciate the work done by the Conway School District Board of Education. On behalf of the District, she thanked the Board Members for all that they do.

Adjournment

No further business to come before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:41 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Clements and seconded by Dr. Lamey.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Chuck Shipp
Board President

/s/ Adam Lamey
Board Secretary

APPROVED: February 9, 2016