

Minutes of Board of Education Regular Meeting
Conway Public Schools Administration Building
2220 Prince Street
March 14, 2017

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

Members Absent: None

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

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

Superintendent Murry welcomed Dr. Tina Antley, Principal at Carolyn Lewis Elementary School. Dr. Antley introduced Amaya Warren, the Student Representative of the Month. Amaya is in fourth grade at Carolyn Lewis, and her favorite subject in school is Music. She is the daughter of Jimmy and Shakira Warren, and her hobbies include cheerleading, reading, and spending time with her family. She is a member of the Carolyn Lewis Cougar Choir, Sprout Scouts, and American Girl Book Club. After sharing stories and responding to questions from the School Board, Amaya led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was unanimously approved at 6:06 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Champlin and seconded by Dr. Lamey. Items on the Consent Agenda were:

- (1) Approval of Minutes of February 14, 2017 Regular Meeting
- (2) Approval of the List of Bills Paid
- (3) Approval of Purchase Orders
- (4) Approval of 2017-2018 Athletic Handbook
- (5) Approval of Policies 4.2 Entrance Requirements; 5.11 Digital Learning Courses; and 5.29 Wellness Policy
- (6) Approval of Petition for Transfer of Student into Conway School District: *One (1) student from Vilonia filed by D'Andrea Jenkins*
- (7) Approval of Act 1599 Resolution - Amy Jordan/Seth Jordan
- (8) The Board agreed to uphold the recommendation of the Administrative Review Committee and
- (9) Administration concerning student discipline.

Superintendent's Report

- Recognition of 2017-2018 Director of Personnel – Superintendent Murry welcomed and congratulated Dr. Karen Lasker, the 2017-2018 Director of Personnel. Dr. Lasker is filling the position left vacant by Ms. Allen at the end of this contract year. She thanked the Board and Dr. Murry for having confidence in her abilities.
- Recognition of 2017-2018 Director of Programs and Professional Development – Superintendent Murry welcomed and congratulated Renee Bennett, the 2017-2018 Director of Programs and Professional Development. Ms. Bennett is filling the position left vacant by Ms. Bunting at the

end of this contract year. She thanked the Board and Dr. Murry for allowing her this opportunity.

- Legislative Update – Superintendent Murry presented highlights of recent legislature activity.
- Board Financial Report – Dr. Murry presented the financial report, stating the District is financially sound and there should be no problem making budget for the remainder of the year.

Assistant Superintendent's Report

- Approval of Property Purchase – Assistant Superintendent Bishop asked the Board to approve the purchase of 2.58 acres adjacent to the previously purchased 63 acres on Donnell Ridge Road.

A motion was made by Mr. Clements and seconded by Dr. Lamey to approve the Offer and Acceptance concerning the purchase of property located at 3261 Donnell Ridge Road, Conway, Arkansas. The motion passed unanimously at 6:41 p.m.

- Proposed Policy Revisions – Mr. Bishop presented the following proposed new policies for the Board to consider and vote upon at the April 2017 meeting:
 - 4.51 Food Service Prepayment
 - 7.17 Food Service Prepayment

Directors' Reports

- Proposed Policy Revisions – Director Allen presented the proposed changes to the following policies for the Board to consider and vote upon at the April 2017 meeting:
 - 3.42 - Licensed Personnel Fringe Benefits
 - 8.7 - Classified Employees Personnel Personal and Professional Leave
 - 8.7c - Classified Employees Military Leave
 - 8.11 - Overtime, Comp Time, and Complying with FLSA
 - 8.34 - Classified Personnel Staff Fringe Benefits
 - 8.34a - Classified Personnel Staff Retirement Fringe Benefit Formula
- Curriculum Report – Director Bunting reported on the 13th Annual TICAL Conference, held in February in Little Rock. The conference was co-produced by the Arkansas Association of Educational Administrators and the Arkansas Department of Education. It was specifically designed for the general school administrator who must provide technology leadership but who is not a technology specialist. Several Conway School District employees presented at the conference.

Personnel Approval

Upon a motion made by Mr. Clements and seconded by Mr. Champlin, the following personnel recommendations of the Superintendent were unanimously approved by the Board at 6:55 p.m., as presented in the agenda:

- Resignations
 - (1) Nick Newman - Assistant Principal, Conway High School, effective June 23, 2017
 - (2) Carole Evans - Food Service Worker, Carl Stuart Middle School, effective February 17, 2017
 - (3) Will Johnson - P.E. Teacher/Head Boys Basketball Coach, Conway High School, resigning effective end of contract year
 - (4) Terry Whitley - Teacher, Conway High School, retiring effective end of contract year

- Elections

- (1) #17-26 - Maegan Wade, Food Service Coordinator, Food Service
- (2) #17-29 - Heather Nutt, Elementary Curriculum Coordinator, Central Office
- (3) #17-30 - Paula Harris, Secondary Curriculum Coordinator, Central Office

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Carl Barger
Board President

/s/ André Acklin
Board Secretary

APPROVED: April 11, 2017