

Minutes of Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Conway Public Schools Administration Building  
2220 Prince Street  
July 10, 2018

**Members Present:** Mr. André Acklin, Mr. Trip Leach (Remoted In), Mr. Bill Clements, Dr. Diane Robinson, Mrs. Amy Ferdowsian, Mrs. Jennifer Cunningham

**Members Absent:** Mr. Scott Champlin

**Others Present:** Superintendent Greg Murry; Assistant Superintendents Dr. K.K. Bradshaw; Directors: Jason Lawrence, Dr. Karen Lasker, Renee Bennett, Clint Ashcraft, Joel Linn, Kim DeCorte; Business Manager Zinnia Clanton; Communication Specialist Heather Kendrick; Recording Secretary Donna Story

Mr. Acklin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Dr. Murry led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

**The consent agenda was unanimously approved at 6:02 p.m. on a motion made by Mrs. Ferdowsian and seconded by Mr. Clements.** Items on the Consent Agenda were:

- Approval of Minutes of June 12, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
- Approval of the List of Bills Paid in June 2018
- Approval of Purchase Orders
- Approval of Policy 8.34 – Staff Retirement Fringe Benefits
- Approval of Petitions for Transfer
  - One student from Conway to Mayflower, filed by Floria Rushani
  - One student from Conway to Mayflower, filed by Rebecca Conley
  - One student from Conway to Greenbrier, filed by Julie McCloud
  - One student from Conway to Greenbrier, filed by Angela Lehman
  - One student from Conway to Mount Vernon/Enola, filed by Lauren Couron

**Superintendent's Report**

- Introduced 2018-2019 New Administrators :
  - Gary Logan, Principal, Florence Mattison
  - Melinda Francis, Assistant Principal, Carolyn Lewis
  - Shannon Riner, Assistant Principal, Julia Lee Moore
  - Alisha Ross, Assistant Principal, Woodrow Cummins
- Update on Back-to-School Activities – Teachers return to work on Monday, August 6. Superintendent Murry invited the Board to attend a district-wide breakfast/vendor fair on August 7 from 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. in the High School cafeteria, followed by the Back-to-School Assembly at 9:00 a.m. in the Auditorium. School begins August 13.
- Board Financial Report – Superintendent Murry presented the financial report, stating that everything continued to go well in the district. The financial report is still being finalized for the fiscal year. Overall, the District will end the year very positively as far as finances are concerned.

### **Assistant Superintendent's Report**

- Update on Curriculum and Instruction – Professional Development on RISE training, Eureka Math, and Power Standards for Science and Social Studies. Reported on plans for Curriculum and Instruction Website and Communication Plan for 2018-2019 school year.

### **Directors' Reports**

- Dr. Lasker gave an update on Employee hiring for new school year. She reported on personnel resignations/retirement and new hires numbers and still hiring for positions.
- Director Lawrence gave an update on Storm Shelter Completion at Eight Elementary Schools and the Courtway and Carl Stuart Projects. He requested approval of Pre-Construction Site work that needs to be done before school starts.

**Dr. Robinson made the motion to approve the request for payment to Nabholz Construction for preparation work in the construction of safe rooms at Courtway and Carl Stuart. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Cunningham and passed unanimously at 6:57 p.m.**

- Director Lawrence gave a review of the Property Insurance and asked for Premium approval.

**Mr. Clements made the motion to approve the request for 2018-2019 Property Insurance Premium as presented by the Administration. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ferdowsian and passed unanimously at 7:02 p.m.**

- Director Linn reported on Achievement Gap. Gave update on how committee was made and what the committee did during the 2017-2018 school year. Reported on recommendations for the 2018-2019 school year.

### **Personnel Approval**

**Upon a motion made by Mr. Clements and seconded by Mrs. Ferdowsian, the Board unanimously approved the following personnel recommendations of the Superintendent at 7:22 p.m., as presented in the agenda:**

- Resignations
  1. Kasi Davis - Instructional Facilitator, Florence Mattison, effective June 12, 2018
  2. Deborah Jones - Teacher, Simon, effective end of 2017-2018 school year
  3. Maddi Mosler - Teacher, Theodore Jones, effective July 1, 2018
  4. Catherine Lively - Teacher, Conway High School, effective June 30, 2018
  5. Ashley Brinkman - Teacher, Conway Junior High School, effective for the 2018-2019 school year
  6. Stephanie Johnson - Bus Driver, Transportation Department, effective June 19, 2018
  7. Sonya Stephens - Bus Driver, Transportation Department, effective July 3, 2018
  8. Corey Johnson - Food Service Worker, Simon Middle School, effective June 26, 2018

- Elections

1. #18-102 - Erin Adams, Middle School Teacher, Ruth Doyle Middle School
2. #18-103 - Antonia Byrd, Special Education Paraprofessional 1:10, Conway High
3. #18-113 - Misty Phillips, Special Education Paraprofessional 1:15, Conway High School
4. #18-114 - Craig Smith, Middle School Literacy Teacher, Ruth Doyle Middle School
5. #18-123 - Laura Tinsley, High School Math Teacher, Conway High School
6. #18-132 - Rachel Gasaway, Middle School Teacher, Ruth Doyle Middle School
7. #18-142 - Corey Johnson, Custodian Position, Carl Stuart Middle School
8. #18-143 - Shontairious Andrews, Custodian Position, Conway Junior High School
9. #18-144 - Bobby Dotson, Custodian Position, Marguerite Vann
10. #18-145 - David Craddock, Custodian Position, Ellen Smith
11. #18-147 - Hannah Siegel, Middle School Nurse, Carl Stuart Middle School
12. #18-153 - Sheila Jeffries, Math Interventionist, Julia Lee Moore
13. #18-154 - Porscha Albert, Literacy Interventionist, Julia Lee Moore
14. #18-157 - Lacy Wicker, Special Education Resource Teacher, Courtway Middle School
15. #18-161 - Virginia Bassett, Special Education Teacher Conway High School/Conway Junior High School
16. #18-162 - Candice McGee, Part-time Family and Consumer Science, Conway Junior High
17. #18-163 - Nubia Montano, Custodian Position, Conway High School
18. #18-164 - Kaitlyn Ryals, Middle School Math Teacher, Courtway Middle School
19. #18-165 - Andrew Sills, Middle School Science Teacher, Courtway Middle School
20. #18-167- Scott Schwartz, Dean of Students, Conway High School
21. #18-170 - Allyson Jensen, Middle School Literacy and Science Teacher, Courtway Middle School
22. #18-173 - Carrie Vick, Social Studies Teacher, Conway Junior High School
23. #18-174 - Marci Martin, Elementary Instructional Facilitator, Woodrow Cummins
24. #18-175 - Shayla Hammons, Middle School Counselor, Simon Middle School
25. #18-96 - Sasha Caldwell, Bus Driver, Transportation
26. #18-94 - Dawn Graham, Bus Driver, Transportation
27. #18-93 - Amy Hubbard, Bus Driver, Transportation
28. #18-97 - Danny Carter, Bus Driver, Transportation
29. #18-185 - Jayne Moore, Math Teacher, Conway High School
30. #18-182 - Bryan Ross, Social Studies, Conway High School, Assistant High School Football Coach/Assistant Junior High Track Coach
31. #18-169 - Abby Robbins, Middle School Teacher, Carl Stuart Middle School
32. #18-179 - Heath Dow, Instructional Facilitator, Florence Mattison
33. #18-156 - Lori Brown, Elementary Teacher, Theodore Jones
34. #18-171 - Brenda Louis, Middle School Teacher, Courtway Middle School
35. #18-168 - Jennefer Doll, Elementary Art Teacher, Florence Mattison
36. #18-107 - Brittany Branscum, Secretary/Bookkeeper, Theodore Jones

**Adjournment**

**No further business to come before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned 7:23 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Clements and seconded by Mrs. Ferdowsian.**

Respectfully submitted,

/S/ Andre' Acklin  
Board President

/S/ Scott Champlin  
Board Secretary

APPROVED: August 14, 2018