

Minutes of Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Conway Public Schools Administration Building  
2220 Prince St.  
July 13, 2010

Members present: Mr. Chuck Shipp, Mrs. Susan McNabb, Mrs. Carolyn Lewis, Mr. Bill Clements and Dr. Adam Lamey.

Members absent: Dr. Quentin Washispack and Mr. Carl Barger.

Others present: Sup't. Murry, Assistant Sup't. Bishop; Directors: Dianne Allen, Dr. K.K. Bradshaw, Charlotte Vann, Dr. David Westmoreland, Nick Stroman, Steve Daniels, Ruth Ann Williams; Business Manager Zinnia Clanton; Recording Secretary Judy Harper, and Log Cabin Democrat Reporter Courtney Spradlin.

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Lewis at 6:00 p.m.

#### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

The consent agenda was unanimously approved on a motion made by Dr. Lamey and seconded by Mr. Clements. Items on the consent agenda included

1. Approval of minutes of June 8, 2010, regular board meeting
2. Approval of the list of bills paid in June 2010
3. Approval of Act 1599 Ethics Resolutions for Voegele Tree Service and Wright Welding, Inc.
4. Approval of Bread and Milk Bids
5. Approval of the list of purchase orders

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

Sup't. Murry introduced Tom Courtway, Chairman for the Conway 2012 Committee, to the Board. Mr. Courtway gave a report on the progress of the millage committee. He told the Board the tax increase being sought is critical for our students and the future of the school district. Under the Constitution, it is the responsibility of the state to provide an adequate education. It is the responsibility of the patrons to go above adequate – “we want excellent students, teachers, and facilities.” Students are the best investment we make. The committee is representative of a cross section of the school community. Three subcommittees, finance, advertising, and logistics, have been organized. They are chaired by Blake Browning, Lori Case and Jan Spann, respectively. The committees will raise the necessary campaign and advertising funds to make the public aware of the election and the 1.9 mill increase. The proposed millage would be used for renovating the current CHSW campus and a new future elementary school. The required filings have been filed with the Arkansas Ethics Commission.

#### **Report on Summer Construction-Maintenance Projects Offer and Acceptance for Property at 615 E. Robins St.**

Assistant Sup't. Bishop told the Board the heat and air projects were being completed and renovations on the SAS building had begun. Independent Living Services has offered to

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purchase the warehouse that houses the maintenance, food service and Adult Education services for \$850,000. The proposed closing date is December 15 and there is a contingency clause in the contract allowing the district to cancel the contract if the millage fails this fall. Pres. Lewis called for a motion to approve the offer and acceptance for the sale of the property located at 615 E. Robins St. Dr. Lamey so moved; Mr. Shipp seconded; motion passed unanimously.

### **Board Report**

Sup't. Murry reported the balance in the operating fund as of June 30, 2010 is \$7,517,788.78, a little more than \$1.4 million than the same time last year. The balance in the building fund is down due to construction projects; revenue exceeded the revenue budgeted due to an increase in state revenue; and expenditures were less than the amount budgeted. The district's finances are sound.

### **Executive Session**

The meeting recessed for executive session for discussion of personnel items. The meeting was reconvened in open session by Pres. Lewis. She called for a motion to approve the resignations and hiring of personnel as recommended by the Superintendent:

#### **Resignations:**

Rodney Matheney	- Principal, CHSW
Jerry Whitmore	- Principal, BCMS
Jessica Peterson	- Teacher, Ruth Doyle Intermediate School
Starlette Ingram	- Teacher, BCMS
Dixie Bryson	- School Psychology Specialist/Psychological Examiner
John Lovell	- Master Plumber, Maintenance
Thomas North	- Bus Driver
Monquita Hightower	- Bus Aide

#### **Elections:**

Karen Benson	- Intervention Teacher, Florence Mattison Elem., #10-69
Elizabeth Shock	- Intervention Teacher, Sallie Cone Elem., #10-69
Heather Nutt	- Intervention Teacher, Theodore Jones Elem., #10-69
Lisa Wood	- Elem. Assistant Principal, #10-70
Milton Bynum	- Custodian, #10-71
Bobby Brown	- Custodian, #10-71
Jennifer Bell	- Elementary Teacher, #10-74
Sydney Hawkins	- ABC Preschool Teacher, #10-75
Julie Walker	- ABC Preschool Instructional Para, #10-76
Ronnie Howse	- Instructional Para, Auto Collision Repair Class, #10-78
Trinina Pouncy	- Alternative Learning Environment Teacher, #10-82
Sheila Page	- Elementary Teacher, #10-84
Danica Smith	- Elementary Teacher, #10-87
Michaelia Honey	- Elementary Teacher, #10-87
Rhonda Smith	- Elementary Teacher, #10-87

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Michelle Caldwell	- Art Teacher, #10-79
Allen Gwatney	- Journeyman Plumber, Maintenance, #10-80
Tracy Lakey	- Elementary Teacher, #10-88
Lauren Guerrero	- Assistant Manager, Food Service
Tabitha Scroggins	- Manager, Food Service
Christina Campbell	- Assistant Manager, Food Service
Regina Bowden	- Assistant Manager, Food Service

Mr. Clements so moved; Mr. Shipp seconded; motion passed unanimously.

**Other Business**

Pres. Lewis called for a motion to approve the transfer of operating funds in excess of \$6 million to the building fund for this and future fiscal years. Mrs. McNabb so moved; Dr. Lamey seconded; motion carried unanimously.

No further business to come before the Board, Mrs. McNabb made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Dr. Lamey and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mrs. Carolyn Lewis, President

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Mr. Bill Clements, Secretary