

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Wynne, Arkansas
January 23, 2012

Roll Call	<p>The regular meeting of the school board was held on Monday, January 23, 2012. The following were present: Ms. Carol Brown, Mr. Melvin Taylor, Mr. Spencer Parker, Dr. Neall Jackson, Ms. Stacie Patterson and Mr. Carl Easley, Superintendent. Also present were: Ms. Kendall Hobbs, Broadcasting; Mr. Bob Morris; Mrs. Jeannine Brawner; Mrs. Lorena Orman, RN, Faculty/Staff; Mrs. Ruby Richmond, Mrs. Shirley Simmons and Mr. Clyde Collins, Community Members; Mrs. Debbie Heath, Primary School Principal; Mrs. Sandra Hollaway, Intermediate School Principal; Mr. David Stepp, Junior High School Principal; Mr. Keith Watson, High School Principal; Mrs. Sandra Smith, High School Asst. Principal; Mr. Steve Morris, High School Asst. Principal; Mrs. Kathy Lee, Elementary Asst. Superintendent; Mrs. Frankie Sullivan, Business Manager; Mr. Jerry Lee, Director Maintenance and Transportation and Mr. David Owens, Wynne Progress.</p>
Minutes	<p>The minutes of the preceding meeting were approved as presented to the board members.</p>
Jacket Recognitions	<p><u>PRIMARY</u> Wynne Primary School scored at the 67th percentile on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) according to a recent report from the Arkansas Office of Education Policy. This score surpassed the national average of the 50th percentile and the state average of the 57th percentile on this test, placing Wynne Primary School in the top 16% of the 1,039 schools in Arkansas who administered ITBS.</p> <p>Leighann Ferguson, special education resource teacher at Wynne Primary, completed her Master's Degree from Arkansas State University in the area of Special Education.</p> <p>Thank you to Mrs. Kristin Winn for giving us 2 hours a day, 2 days a week, volunteering in the parent center making student skill packets and more!</p> <p><u>INTERMEDIATE</u> We would like to commend all the great volunteers that have given their time in our building. Lois Perkins volunteers weekly in Jackie Hathcock's classroom. She is 90 years old! Karin Weaver is a weekly volunteer in Debi Weaver's classroom. Bud Green volunteers each day in the classrooms of Emily Denevan and Jackie Hathcock. Pat Smith reads to various classrooms on a weekly basis. Thank you for giving your time!</p> <p>Congratulations to Cameron Barkley for being the only 3rd grade student who has already made Star Reader.</p>
Financial Reports	<p>Financial reports on all funds and all invoices paid in December were approved.</p>
Enrollment Report	<p>A report on student enrollment as of January 23, 2012, was given. The report indicated an enrollment of 2,840 students.</p>

<p>School Board Rezoning for 2012-2013</p>	<p>The populations and racial characteristics of the five school zones were reviewed by the board. The 2010 census information revealed that the overall deviation from the least populated to most populated zones was out of compliance with a 48.8% deviation. In order to be in compliance, the deviation is required to be less than 10%. As a result of the 48.8% deviation, the district is required to rezone and all school board members will be up for re-election in September 2012.</p> <p>The board reviewed a second draft of a rezoning plan in which the overall deviation from the least populated to the most populated zones was less than 1%. Zone drafts, populations and racial characteristics statistics of each zone were prepared by Mr. Robert Middleton, Board Rezoning Consultant of Little Rock, AR. The rezoning map must also receive approval of the Cross County Election Commission.</p> <p>A motion was made by Dr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Taylor, and passed unanimously to approve the second draft of the rezoning plan in which the overall deviation from the least populated to the most populated zones was less than 1% and to present it to the Cross County Election Commission for final approval.</p> <p>A copy of the map is carried as Addendum Number I to these minutes.</p>
<p>Ten-Year Academic Facilities Plan</p>	<p>The ten-year academic facilities plan and ten-year enrollment projections were presented and discussed with the board. The floor was opened for public comment. Dr. Jackson and Ms. Patterson commented that they wanted the district to look into making the Primary and Intermediate schools more kid friendly in terms of interior colors which would brighten up the learning environment.</p> <p>A motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Parker, and passed unanimously to approve the ten-year facilities plan as presented by the superintendent.</p> <p>A copy of the resolution is carried as Addendum Number II to these minutes.</p>
<p>Junior High and Senior High Master Schedules</p>	<p>A discussion was held on the current bell schedules at the Junior High and Senior High schools. After a discussion on the efficiency of the schedules at each building, Mr. Easley recommended that the Junior High move to a 7-period day for the 2012-2013 school year. A discussion on changing the Senior High school schedule was tabled until a later date.</p> <p>A motion was made by Dr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Parker, and passed unanimously to move the Junior High school to a 7-period day for the 2012-2013 school year.</p>
<p><u>Consent Agenda</u></p>	<p>The following items were considered as consent agenda:</p>
<p>Errors and Omissions Insurance</p>	<p>Two proposals were submitted for the School Leader's Liability Insurance coverage for 2012.</p> <p>A recommendation was made by the superintendent to accept the bid submitted by Bancorp South Insurance Services, Inc. / Ramsey, Krug, Farrell & Lensing, representing the ACE American Insurance Company. The premium for 2012 will be \$7,397.00.</p>

Resignations	<p>A report was made on the following individuals having submitted a letter of resignation:</p> <p>Randy Meyer - Band Director / High School Retiring; Effective end of year</p> <p>Vanessa Pribble - Science / Jr. High Effective 1/13/12</p> <p>Cathy Newkirk - Special Needs / Primary Effective 1/5/12</p> <p>Sandra Edwards - Cafeteria Manager/Primary Retiring; Effective end of year</p> <p>Kimberly Collins - Maid / ABC Pre-K / Parkin Effective 1/20/12</p>
Employment Recommendations	<p>The following individuals were recommended to the board:</p> <p>Recommended for Employment: <u>CERTIFIED:</u></p> <p>Andrea Hathcock - Special Education / Primary Effective 1/25/12 Current year only</p> <p>Stephen Sherland - Full-Time Substitute / Junior High Beginning Bachelor Level Teacher's Salary; Retroactive to 08/10/11 Current year only</p> <p><u>CLASSIFIED:</u></p> <p>Jessica Cantrell - Interventionist / Primary Retroactive to 1/17/12 Current Year Only</p> <p>The above individuals are recommended for employment contingent upon successful completion of the criminal background check required by state law.</p>
Superintendent's Re-employment	<p>The board discussed and recommended Carl Easley be re-employed as superintendent with a three year contract at his current salary.</p>
Consent Agenda Approval	<p>A motion was made by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Dr. Jackson, and passed unanimously to approve all items as presented under the consent agenda.</p>
Administrator Contracts	<p>Contracts for the administrative staff will be discussed in the February meeting of the board.</p>

Scheduling a School Board Retreat	A discussion was held regarding the need to schedule a school board retreat to begin work on a district master plan. Mr. Easley was instructed to schedule two possible dates that would allow school administrators to also be present.
Meeting Date	The date of the next regular board meeting will be February 20, 2012.
Adj.	The meeting was then adjourned.

President

Secretary