

MINUTES

**Lawrence County School Board Meeting
November 27, 2023 5:00 p.m.**

The Lawrence County School Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, November 27, 2023 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's Office at 5:00 p.m.

President Vickie Mitchell called the meeting to order and offered the prayer.

Adam Davis moved to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled October board meeting. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Scott Brady moved to approve the minutes of the Annual Public Meeting. Greg Gill seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS

Superintendent Belcher gave the Board an update on the district campus repairs and of enrollment numbers. Mr. Belcher informed the Board WBU Tournament was in the progress and that Winter Ball would be held December 9th. Superintendent Belcher stated the safe room project was complete.

NEW BUSINESS

The next item was New Business. Greg Gill moved to approve payment of the bills. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher gave an update on the Financial Reports.

Superintendent Belcher approved the following transfers:

Isabelle Perez transferred to the Hoxie School District

Rodney and Jaden Baker transferred to the Hoxie School District

Braylee Sykes transferred to the Sloan Hendrix School District

Henley and Harlem Scott transferred to the Lawrence County School District

Superintendent Belcher presented the Disclosure Resolution for H & H Catering for approval. Brittany Farmer moved to approve the resolution. Adam Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve stipends for all employees who attend the required in service meeting. Scott Brady moved to approve the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher presented the list of items retired in fixed assets for the 2022-2023 school year for approval. Greg Gill moved to approve the retirement of assets. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Admin Reports (HB1535/ACT 425 of 2023) were presented to the Board.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the 2025-2026 Budget. Brittany Farmer moved to approve the budget. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher discussed with the Board the approval of the Maternity Policy that was approved by the personnel policy committee. After discussion with the Board, Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve an eight week maternity leave for the district staff. Scott Brady moved to approve the policy. Greg Gill seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into Executive session at 6:10pm for the purpose of personnel issues.

The Board reconvened at 6:35pm and conducted the following business.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board accept the resignation of aide, Elizabeth Carter. Greg Gill moved to approve the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board employ, Larah Fry as a paraprofessional aide for the district. Adam Davis moved to approve the recommendation. Greg Gill seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

OTHER

In other business, the next meeting is scheduled on December 18 at 5:00 p.m. in the boardroom of the Superintendent's office.

Brittany Farmer moved to adjourn the meeting. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Brittany Farmer,
Secretary