Minutes Lawrence County School Board Meeting September 18, 2014

The Lawrence County School Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, September 18, 2014 in the board room at the Walnut Ridge campus at 5:00 p.m.

President Kelley called the meeting to order and John Householder offered the prayer.

Keith Brand moved to approve the minutes as presented. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent presented Terry Kelley with a plaque for his ten years of service as a board member.

Superintendent Belcher called for nominations for new board officers. Ron Ingram moved to elect Greg Gill as President of the School Board for the 2014-2015 school year. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Keith Brand moved to elect Pat Roby as Vice President. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Keith Brand moved to elect Ron Ingram as Board Secretary. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher stated to the Board that according to Act 671-2003 the Board must name one of its members as primary dispersing officer. Mr. Belcher proposed that the newly elected President, Greg Gill serve as dispersing officer for the District. Keith Brand moved to nominate Greg Gill as dispersing officer of the Lawrence County School Board. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher moved to the Superintendent's Report. Superintendent Belcher informed the Board that the community center project would be complete as soon as the meter to the community center was updated. He also discussed plans for the Black Rock campus facility. He also recognized Mary Smith for being named a Teacher of the Year finalist. Superintendent Belcher also updated the Board on changes to the insurance rates for all employees. Superintendent Belcher gave the Board options for their required training. Mr. Belcher also updated the Board on the current enrollment status.

The next item was New Business. Superintendent Belcher presented the Board with the bills for approval. Ron Ingram moved to approve the payment of the bills. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher gave an update on the Financial Reports.

In other New Business Superintendent Belcher presented the 2014-2015 Budget for approval. Ron Ingram moved to approve the budget as presented. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher presented the Board with ASBA model policy agreement for approval. Pat Roby moved to approve the policy as presented. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent presented salary schedule updates for approval. Ron Ingram moved to approve the schedule as presented. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher presented the Board vehicle bids with the recommendation to purchase a Jeep Cherokee from Cavenaugh. Keith Brand moved to approve the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher shared the legislative audit report with the Board.

At 5:55p.m. the Board went into Executive Session.

At 6:15p.m. the Board reconvened and conducted the following business:

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board accept the resignation of cafeteria worker, Debra Meeks. Ron Ingram moved to accept the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board accept the resignation on September 26, 2014 of care giver, Ruth Ann Lawson. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher made the recommendation to increase the contract of cafeteria worker, Janet Crum by 1.5 hours daily. Ron Ingram moved to accept Mr. Belcher's recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher made the recommendation to increase the contract of aide, Jillyn Caldwell by 30 minutes a day. Ron Ingram moved to accept Mr. Belcher's recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher made the recommendation to employ Cassie Bullard as an aide. Pat Roby moved to accept Mr. Belcher's recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board add vocational bus driver position, 3 hours daily, to the contract of Thomas Hughart. John Householder moved to accept the recommendation. Ron Ingram seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board hire Terri Stevens as bus rider at the rate of \$15 per hour. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Mr. Belcher recommended the Board approve the substitute, Elizabeth Yates for the custodial and cafeteria departments. Ron Ingram moved to approve the recommendation. John Householder seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

In Other Business, the date for the regularly scheduled board meeting was set for October 20, 2014. Annual Public Meeting was set for October 20 as well at 6:30p.m. in the middle level library. The Board made plans to attend the New Board Member Institute to be held in Little Rock on October 14, 2014. They were also given the information concerning other board training opportunities. The Board was also presented with event calendars.

John Householder moved to adjourn the meeting. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Ron Ingram, Secretary