

## **Minutes**

### **Lawrence County School Board Meeting September 13, 2023**

The Lawrence County School Board of Directors met in regular session on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's office at 5:00 p.m. Joe Penn and Greg Gill were not in attendance.

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

#### **MINUTES**

Adam Davis moved to approve the August minutes, Brittany Farmer seconded and the motion received unanimous approval.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

President Vickie Mitchell recognized Superintendent Belcher for his report. In old business, Superintendent Belcher stated enrollment was up from last year at 1030. Superintendent Belcher also updated the Board on parent teacher conference date.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

In new business, Adam Davis made a motion to approve payment of the bills, Brittany Farmer seconded, and motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher presented the financial report.

#### **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

Superintendent Belcher approved the following student transfer petitions:

Adalee and Ellaina Watson to the Hoxie district.

Gladys and Paul Strickland to the Hoxie district.

Natalie Beagle to the district from Hoxie.

Superintendent Belcher presented the Board with Admin reports HB1535 ACT 425 from the building principals.

Superintendent Belcher made the recommendation to approve the Ready for Learning Support updated plan. Brittany Farmer moved to approve the plan as recommended. Adam Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the class size compensation to the contracts of Ann Marie Brogdon, Grant Smith, and Angela Horner for the 2023-2024 school year. Scott Brady moved to approve the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the Title I Statement of Assurances for the district. Brittany Farmer moved to approve the recommendation. Scott Brady seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the 2023-24 Budget. Pat Roby made the motion to approve the budget, seconded by Adam Davis. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the approval of Warner Concepts Agreement. Brittany Farmer made the motion to approve the recommendation; Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters at 5:47pm.

The Board reconvened at 6:10pm and conducted the following business.

Superintendent Belcher made the recommendation to move Leslie Rutledge to an aide contract. Brittany Farmer moved to approve the recommendation. Adam Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board employ Rachel McQuay for the current semester as a Special Education teacher. Scott Brady moved to approve the recommendation. Adam Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher made the recommendation to employ Zoe Davis for the aide position. Pat Roby moved to approve the recommendation. Scott Brady seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

In Other/Miscellaneous Business, the Board agreed to set the date for the Annual School Board Public Meeting on October 16, at 6:00pm after the regularly scheduled board meeting. The Board was given the dates of the Regional Board meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to be discussed, meeting was adjourned at 6:45p.m. upon motion of Pat Roby and seconded by Adam Davis, and motion carried.

Brittany Farmer  
Secretary

