# MINUTES LAWRENCE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MARCH 11, 2020

The Lawrence County Board of Directors met in their regularly scheduled session on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's office at 5:00 p.m.

President Roby called the meeting to order and Clay Sloan offered the prayer.

# MINUTES

Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the minutes as presented. Greg Gill seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

President Roby moved to the Superintendent's Report. The first item was Old Business. Superintendent Belcher gave board members an update on the building project. Superintendent Belcher informed the Board of the additional 5 AMI days approved by the Department of Education. Mr. Belcher updated them on plans concerning the COVID-19 virus. He stated the maintenance and custodians were keeping the campus disinfected. Superintendent Belcher stated Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, March 19 with spring break to follow.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The next item was New Business. Brittany Schmidt moved to approve payment of the bills. Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher gave an update on the Financial Reports.

President Roby appointed Vickie Mitchell and Greg Gill to the Commencement Speaker Committee.

Superintendent Belcher presented for approval the 6 Freedom of Choice applications for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year. Joe Penn moved to approve the applications as presented. Doyne Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the board approve the purchase of a bus. Joe Penn moved to approve the recommendation. Doyne Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher presented White River Solution cabling bid for approval. Greg Gill moved to approve the bid. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the continuation of the MOU with Purchasing Group Arkansas (PGA). Brittany Schmidt moved to approve the recommendation. Clay Sloan seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 5:45p.m. President Roby called for the Board to go into Executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues.

At 6:20p.m. the Board reconvened and conducted the following business:

Superintendent Belcher recommended the board rehire the certified personnel for the 2020-2021 school year. Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the recommendation. Clay Sloan seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board extend the half time contract of James Price to a full time contract. Doyne Davis moved to approve the recommendation. Greg Gill seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board employ ACT summer teachers, Becky Robinson, Lea Andrea Foster, and Judith Holland. Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the recommendation. Clay Sloan seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the board accept the resignation of LaDonna Nunally effective 2-25-2020. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Clay Sloan seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

# **OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS**

In Other/ Miscellaneous business, the Board received activity calendars.

At 6:45p.m. Brittany Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting. Doyne Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

The next meeting of the Lawrence County School Board was set for April 15, at 5:00p.m.

**Brittany Schmidt, Secretary**