

**Minutes for Regular Called Meeting
Pope County CUSD #1
Board of Education
J. H. Hobbs Memorial Library
Thursday, July 16, 2020
7:00 p.m.**

Meeting was called to order by President Hansen at 7:01 p.m. The following members were present: Aly, Schuchardt, Wallace, Hogg, and Hansen; Simmons via phone.

Walker was absent.

A motion was made by Hogg and seconded by Wallace to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: all ayes.

A motion was made by Wallace and seconded by Schuchardt to approve the consent agenda including the following items; 1) Approve Minutes of Board Meeting on 6/18/20; 2) Approve Closed Session Minutes; 3) Approve Bills for Payment; 4) Accept Financial Reports; 5) Approve Making All Closed Session Minutes Older Than Six Months Old Public Record; and 6) Approve Destruction of Closed Session Tapes More Than 18 Months Old. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Under Administrative reports, Mr. Fritch reported the following; 1) Thanks to all the janitors on their hard work this summer. Custodians have been cleaning, painting, and making repairs to the buildings and are on schedule to have the buildings ready for the new school year.

A motion was made by Wallace and seconded by Schuchardt to enter closed session for the purpose of personnel employment. Roll call vote: all ayes. Board entered closed session at 7:07 p.m.

Walker entered meeting and executive session at 7:12 pm.

A motion was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Hogg to return to regular session. Roll call vote: all ayes. Board returned at 7:20 pm.

Motion to re-hire Amber Presser, Tracy O'Neal, Janet Stellakis, Tonya Walker, Kathryn Jolly, and Tomisceia Clardy as Individual Aides for the 2020-2021 SY contingent upon return of assigned students was made by Simmons and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to approve the Southern Seven Head Start Lease Agreement for the 2020-2021 SY was made by Aly and seconded by Walker. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Mr. Fritch presented the District Re-Opening Plan, which was developed by a committee comprised of staff, teachers, and administrators. Mr. Fritch discussed the components of the plan along with the guidelines set forth by ISBE, IDPH, and the governor's office. After much discussion, the Board came to the conclusion it would be

best to wait for further guidance from the governor's office and ISBE. President Hansen stated a special-called meeting would be needed at the end of the month.

Under Old Business, Mr. Fritch reported that the budget looks good. The revenues came in at \$105,000 and part of that is \$50,000 in the maintenance grant. Expenditures are over \$240,000, will know more after the district audit.

Mr. Fritch reported on the bid for the softball concession building has not come in yet. Mr. Weaver was unavailable and haven't heard back from him. President Hansen stated this is not a priority now but continue to pursue a bid.

Mr. Fritch reported that he tried to get two bids on the parking lots/driveways repair. One from Mike Lad, a family owned business, which said he wouldn't submit a bid. He stated it all needed to be milled and replaced, sealing it would be useless. He gave a verbal bid of around \$220,000 to mill and replace asphalt. SI Asphalt and Maintenance has not returned phone calls. The Board discussed some option and thought it might be best to look into oil and chip, having it scheduled when the county and/or Golconda completes their roads/streets. President Hansen asked if we could get a bid for oil and chip.

Mr. Fritch reported on the elementary doors and windows project is holding right now, waiting on Baysinger and the materials to come in. Mr. Fritch received another

statement from Baysinger and called Cindy to get an explanation of the charges since the softball field project was included. The explanation was that Baysinger takes the base bid on the lowest bid to formulate their costs. Cindy stated Michael Baysinger would have to straighten out the statement. We have seven more doors and windows to be completed. President Hansen stated once the project is completed, the district will seek out a new architect.

Mr. Fritch stated the SRO Agreement will automatically renew if neither side terms the contract by June 15.

Mr. Fritch stated the school calendar needed to be revised due to Election Day becoming a holiday and adding remote learning planning days. Election Day will be tacked on to Christmas break, December 21st. Two remote learning planning days will be tacked on at the beginning of the year, August 12th and 13th, making the teachers' first day to report back August 11th and students' first day to report back August 14th. Motion to approve adjustments to the 2020-2021 SY calendar to reflect Election Day holiday and adding remote learning planning days was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all ayes.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting until the next regular meeting to be held on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the J.H. Hobbs Memorial Library was made by Wallace and seconded by Hogg. Roll call vote: all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Michael Hansen, President
Board of Education

Paula Baker, Secretary
Board of Education