

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

<u>REGULAR</u> TYPE	<u>LMS Library</u> PLACE	<u>6:00 P.M.</u> TIME	<u>July 20, 2020</u> DATE	<u>Monday</u> DAY
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Present

Jenna Loveless, President
Jim York, Vice-President
Pam Todd, Treasurer
Shep Sheppard, Secretary
Marvin Brown
Bill Capps
Karl Dewey
Todd Smith, Superintendent of Schools

Be it remembered that the Board of Education of the Louisiana R-II School Board, Pike County, MO met in regular session at the Louisiana Middle School Library at 6:00 p.m., on Monday, July 20, 2020 at which time were present the following officers and members of said Board: Loveless, Todd, York, Sheppard, Brown, Capps and Dewey. Dr. Smith, Supt. of Schools was also present.

Meeting called to order: Loveless called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: Brown made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Todd. (Todd, Sheppard, Capps, Brown, York, Dewey and Loveless voted yeah.) Motion carried.

Consent agenda: Capps made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by York. (Sheppard, Capps, Brown, York, Todd and Loveless voted yeah. Dewey abstained.) Motion carried.

- a) Approve minutes of the June 4, 2020 special meeting and the June 15, 2020 regular meeting minutes.
- b) Approve fund transfers. A fund transfer in an amount equal to certified staff salaries will be transferred each month from Fund 1 to Fund 2. Approve June/July voucher List.

Individuals, Delegations None

Superintendent's Report 2020 Aggregate Assessed Valuation
On July 1 of each year the County Clerk provides us with our District's assessed valuation. Our assessment decreased by 2MM which is about \$80K to us. The bulk of the decrease came in personal property. Residential, agricultural and commercial were slightly lower than last year. Dr. Smith budgeted a 1% increase. In the big picture we can absorb this. It will be part of our revised budget in September. No action at this time. The budget will be finalized in September after the Board of Equalization convenes.

Set Tax Levy Hearing

Each year the Board must designate a time to hold a tax levy hearing for public comment prior to actually setting the property tax levy. Historically, this hearing takes place in August. Sheppard made a motion to set the Tax Levy Hearing for 6 p.m. on Monday, August 17, 2020 in the LMS library, seconded by Todd. (Capps, Brown, York, Dewey, Todd, Sheppard and Loveless voted yeah.) Motion carried.

Meriwether Status

Dr. Smith has spoken with our bond counsel and we do have options for the use of our Bond money in the demolition of Meriwether. The Board asked Dr. Smith to obtain bids on asbestos abatement and taking the building down.

Breakfast and Lunch Prices

DESE provides a tool for setting breakfast and lunch prices. According to that tool and recommendation from Christy Anderson, we need to increase breakfast from \$1.80 to \$1.90 and lunch from \$2.50 (LES) and \$2.60 (LMS/LHS) to \$2.70 districtwide. Sheppard made a motion to approve the breakfast and lunch prices as presented, seconded by Dewey. (Brown, York, Dewey, Todd, Sheppard, Capps and Loveless voted yeah.) Motion carried.

Amend 2020-2021 District Calendar

We have some in depth training to do with the staff on Google Classroom in addition to our normal pre-opening meetings/activities. In order to make it part of the contract-the calendar should be amended. (Brown made a motion to amend the 2020-2021 school calendar to include extra professional development days (August 17 & 18) prior to school opening, seconded by York. (York, Dewey, Todd, Sheppard, Capps, Brown and Loveless voted yeah.) Motion carried.

Policy JHCD

Policy JHCD states that the District will keep Narcan on hand and administer in emergency situations. Jennifer House has some concerns with having it available and the obligation to administer. We are asking the Board's approval to remove Narcan from the policy. Todd made a motion to amend policy JHCD to exclude Narcan from the emergency medical supply list, seconded by York. (Dewey, Todd, Sheppard, Capps, Brown, York and Loveless voted yeah.) Motion carried.

New Business

Sports Update

Ryan Griffin was present and updated the Board on Fall sports.

CARES Act Fund Purchase

As discussed last month, a large portion of our CARES Act funds will be spent on devices. Dr. Smith asked the principals to get quotes. Dr. Smith would like the Board's permission to make the purchase. All Board members were in agreement that a vote was not necessary and that the purchase needed to be made.

Research to Practice Contract

Research to Practice is an "arm" of MSBA. They provide tele-speech therapy. We use them as the overflow for Jenny Calvin's caseload. Brown made a motion to renew the annual contract with Research to Practice, seconded by Todd. (Sheppard, Capps, Brown, York, Dewey, Todd and Loveless voted yeah.) Motion carried.

Opening School Discussion

Dr. Smith had a number of resources and options to discuss. Social distancing practices will be put in place. Masks will be encouraged and supported.

Announcements

District External Audit - July 27

First Day of School for Staff - Monday, August 19, 2020 (Board voted to change to August 17, 2020.)

Adjournment:

Capps made a motion at 7:17 p.m. to adjourn from open session to executive session for matters related to employee compensation; employment and or dismissal of staff as per section 610.021, seconded by Sheppard. (Capps, Brown, York, Dewey, Todd, Sheppard and Loveless voted yeah.) Motion carried.

President

Secretary