

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOL

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board President Ben Thies called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the East Carter County R-II Elementary Cafeteria. The following Board members were present: Ben Thies, Stonie Croy, John Walker, Becky Fischer, Darrell Emery, JoEllen Carter and Bryan House. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Richard Sullivan, High School Principal Matt Stahl, Middle School Principal Corey Jameson, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, Special Education Director Veronica Hollis, Curriculum Director Keri Jameson, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer and Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, staff members Amanda Smith, Daniel Miller, Nathaniel Hulett, Christy Moore, Kendra Asher, Melissa Colyott and Trevor Lewis. Also present Kayden Douglas, Taylor Eudaley, Susie Fann, Christy Chase, Tonya Brown, Honna Brown, Jason Brown, Vicki Wooten and Christian Garcia.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was down \$161.49 from this month last year. Almost every item in the silent auction has a bid and the winning bidders will be notified beginning next week. Our elementary basketball season is well underway. We will be looking at attrition for any vacant staff positions and me not refill all openings. Bills were discussed. Dr. Sullivan presented the Board plaques and thanked each Member for their service.

Consent Agenda

The Board approved on the Consent Agenda the following items: February 22, 2024 Board Minutes, Payment of Bills, Student Testing Incentives, MSIP Student Tutoring Program Evaluation, MSIP Title 1 Parent Involvement/Improving Academics Program Evaluation, District Non-Certified Salary Schedule, District Certified Salary Schedule, Extra Duty Stipend Schedule and personnel to advance a step for years of service for 2024-25.

New Business

The Board approved Project Graduation with the District providing 2 buses and drivers and a monetary donation of \$1,000., Jr. Beta Fun Trip with District providing bus and driver and pay for meal and admission fees for bus driver and 3 chaperones. The Board approved the FFA Trip with the District providing transportation and funds for chaperone and driver rooms and meals, FBLA trip with the District providing bus, driver and advisor meals and registration fees, FCCLA National Conference in

Seattle Washington with the District providing funds for registration, transportation and 2 chaperones hotel rooms, Jr. Beta Convention with the District providing bus, driver, fuel, chaperone rooms, meals and registration fees for chaperones and students as well as a bus permit for parking fee, Sr Beta Convention with the District providing bus, driver, registration, chaperone's and drivers lodging and meals. The Board approved Summer School 2024 dates of May 28- June 24, 2024. The Board approved to set the non-binding tax rate for Fund 1 at 2.7500, Fund 2 at 0.0000, Fund 3 at 0.0000 and Fund 7 at 0.0000. The Board approved Corey Jameson as Federal Programs Director and would like Administration to come up with guidelines for all trips including, State, National, Sports, Project Graduation, Project Prom, etc. This will help with setting the budget.

#### Old Business

None

#### Staff/Committee Report

CTA member Kendra Asher said she had some Teacher suggestions for the handbook and food items that she would go into detail about later. Veronica Hollis reported that some of our Essential Needs Program high school students participated in area TAFY Job Olympics in Poplar Bluff last Friday at the MERS Goodwill Excel Center. Students competed in entry level job skill tasks like sorting and folding laundry, sweeping, cleaning tables, sorting and counting coins, etc. Two of our seniors took medals this year: Christian Garcia placed First in Vacuuming and Iva Bradwell placed Second in Folding Towels. Dr. Sullivan said we were approved for the Stronger Connection Grant. Kacie Kendrick said the cookie dough sales went well and we made a profit of \$8,800. Keri Jameson said we made \$500 in Solar Eclipse T-Shirt sales and \$400 donation for the Total Eclipse.

The Board moved to enter into Executive session in accordance with Public Law, section 610:21 items 1, 3, 6, 13 and 14 for a closed meeting to the extent authorized by law. Meeting recessed at 7:32 p.m.

#### Executive Session

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President Ben Thies at 7:45 p.m. in the Central Office. The agenda was approved as presented. Executive Board minutes for February 22, 2024 were approved. The Board approved Rusti Russom and Emily Montalbano Burgin as Substitute Teachers and Cynthia Gaebler and Justin Smith as Volunteer/Chaperones. The Board approved Lora Hanebrink's resignation as third grade teacher. The Board approved to hire Bailey Stevenson as High School English Teacher, Thomas Mills as High School History Teacher and Eric Jameson as High School Vo-Ag Teacher for the 2024-25 school year and substitute bus driver pending documentation, Keri Jameson and Kacie Kendrick to share the duties of Summer School Directors for 2024 summer school and to move Aubree Lewis from a Tech 1 position to a Tech 2 position as of April 1, 2024. The Board approved to re-hire Kaley Alexander, Amanda Daughhettee, Courtney Duckett, Courtney Hampton, Tabitha Hensley, Connie Hensley, Hailey Kirkman, Denise Murphy, and Kennedy Eddington as elementary teachers. The Board approved to re-hire Melissa Colyott, Kurt Penn, Kayla Peterman as middle school teachers and Britney Stahl as part time teacher and part time counselor for the 2024-25 school year. The Board approved to re-hire Mary Ann Gargac, Sara Hoefer, Nathaniel Hulett, Amanda Smith and Trever Lewis as high school teachers for the 2024-25 school year and Teresa Crawford and Chrystal Pratt as Special Education Teachers for the 2024-25 school year. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 p.m.