Minutes for Regular Called Meeting

Pope County CUSD #1

Board of Education

J. H. Hobbs Memorial Library

July 17, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Kizziar and the following members were present: Fatheree, Jeffords, Simmons, and Hogg. Aly and Schuchardt were absent.

Motion was made by Fatheree and seconded by Jeffords to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion was made by Hogg and seconded by Simmons to approve the consent agenda including the following: 1) Approve Minutes of Board Meeting on 6/17/2025; 2) Approve Closed Session Minutes; 3) Approve Bills for Payment; 4) Accept Financial Reports; and 5) Approve Making All Closed Session Minutes Public Record; 6) Approve Destruction of Closed Session Tapes More Than 18 Months Old. Mr. Fritch discussed and answered question on some bills. With no further comments, roll call vote: all ayes.

At this time Kizziar recognized Tresa Hargrove and Bailey Hargrove. Bailey discussed his completion of his Eagle Scout Project, which consisted of cleaning, stenciling, and painting the map on the Elementary playground. He is passing the painting of the hopscotch to the PTO.

Next recognized was Kala Bonnell, she discussed PTO’s plans with the Piratopoly board. This fundraiser will help purchase new playground equipment for the elementary. Discussed the cost, brand, material, placement, insurance and donation ideas to acquire the remaining balance of the equipment. Kala asked on behalf of PTO, for a donation of last remaining spot on the board. After closed session, board member Fatheree stated that the board will pay the total of that spot. It will be added as an agenda item at the next meeting.

Under Administrative reports, Mr. Fritch reported the following; 1) Audit finished, no findings 2) Summer Maintenance; a) Custodians are working on yearly maintenance/cleaning; b) Gym floor waxed, closed until July 28th c) High School Library floor is showing bubbling, sent off samples d) Discussed repairs/cost that the High School roof will need, as well as gutters. Mr. Fritch did a walk-through of the building with members to show the repairs needed. Mr. Fritch stated that the elementary roof will need work in the future as well.

Motion to enter closed session for the purpose of discussion of personnel performance, procedures, and employment was made by Fatheree and seconded by Jeffords. Roll call vote: all ayes. Board entered closed session at 7:48 pm.

Motion to return to regular session was made by Simmons and seconded by Kizziar. Roll call vote: all ayes. Board returned at 8:28 pm.

Motion to appoint Charlee Poole for IMRF Authorized Agent was made by Simmons and seconded by Jeffords. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to hire Nicolette Troutman as head JH softball coach was made by Simmons and seconded by Jeffords. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to hire Natalie Campbell as high school Pep Club Sponsor made by Simmons and seconded by Jeffords. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to hire Madison Ward as individual aide was made by Jeffords and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to hire Noah Hall as HS Social Studies teacher was made by Hogg and seconded by Jeffords. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to post internally for JH Softball Assistant Coach, and High School Softball Assistant Coach was made by Jeffords and seconded by Fatheree. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to post for two full-time bus drivers was made by Simmons and seconded by Fatheree. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to approve copier lease agreement through Tri-State Business Equipment as presented was made by Jeffords and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion to approve overnight FFA Officer Retreat on August 15th through the 17th at the View in Harrisburg was made by Fatheree and seconded by Simmons: all ayes.

No Old Business to discuss at this time.

With no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Simmons and seconded by Fatheree to adjourn the meeting until the next meeting to be held on Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the J.H. Hobbs Memorial Library. All members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

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Randall Kizziar, Acting President Charlee Poole, Secretary

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