

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOL

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

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TAX RATE HEARING AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board President Ben Thies called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. in the East Carter County Elementary Cafeteria. The following Board members were present: Ben Thies, John Walker, Jeremy Reynolds, JoEllen Carter and Gabe Thompson. Stonie Croy and Darrell were not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Richard Sullivan, High School Principal Matt Stahl, Middle School Principal Corey Jameson, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, SpEd Director Veronica Hollis, Curriculum Director Keri Jameson, Network Administrator Bill Lewis, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer and Board Secretary Kathey Dalton. Staff members in attendance were Baily Stevenson, Steven Moore, Justin Smith, Kristin Hillis, Miranda Korokis, Ashley Turner, Faith Stucker, Ashley West, Michelle Guess, Norma Enochs and Rachel Turner. Also present were Olivia Price, Matt Price, Wes Lutton, Jan Scott, Brian Asher, Keith Eudaley and Susie Fann.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was up \$741.09 from last year. We would like to thank the Poplar Bluff Elks Lodge for their donation to the school. Thanks to our staff for putting lots of work into getting their rooms and hallways ready for the beginning of school. Our Open House this year was very well attended the entire afternoon into the evening. The Redbird Rollout held during Open House was a huge success, we would like to thank Mrs. Keri Jameson for organizing the event. Our newly added Pre-K program is up and rolling and things are going very well. Fall Sports will soon be underway. Bills were discussed.

Consent Agenda

The Board approved the following items on the Consent Agenda: July 25, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Payment of Bills, ASBR, Appoint Custodian of Records, SpEd Determination Letter and Cheer Competition.

New Business

The Tax Rate Hearing was held in the Elementary Cafeteria prior to the Regular Board Meeting. The Board by utilization of amendment 2 set General Fund tax Rate of Fund 1 at \$2.7500, set Special Fund Tax Rate of Fund 2 at \$0.0000, set Debt Service Fund Rate of Fund 3 at \$0.0000, and set Capital Project Fund Tax Rate of Fund 4 at \$0.0000. New Staff members were introduced to the Board. The Board

approved to set the Policy meeting for Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 5:00 in Central Office. The Board Members participated in a 1-hour MSBA refresher training on preventing student sexual abuse.

Old Business

None

Staff/Committee Reports

None

The Board moved to enter into Executive Session in accordance with Public Law, Section 610:21 items 3, 13 and 14 for a closed meeting to the extent authorized by law. Meeting was adjourned at 6.33 p.m.

Executive Meeting

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President Ben Thies at 7:47 p.m. The Board approved the July 25, 2024 Executive Session Board meeting minutes. The Board approved Jordan Moore, Jaci Douglas, Logan Steele, Rusti Russom, Amber Moon, Aliece Carter and Ciara Duckett as substitute teachers. The Board approved to accept Vicky Risby's resignation as Computer Lab Paraprofessional. The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.