

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOLS

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News Release: November 16, 2023: Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

NOVEMBER 16, 2023

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, SpEd Director Veronica Hollis, Curriculum Director Keri Jameson, Network Administrator Connor Kelch, Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer, staff members Marie Inmon, Norma Enochs, Ebby Miller and Stacy Wilder also present Olivia Price (OPAA), Mike Catlett (Auditor), Taylor Fann, Taya Todd, Christian White, Kierstyn Todd, Leann Todd and Roxanne Goforth.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Taya Todd talked about her concerns with early graduates not being included in class rank. Ms. Inmon said that information was collected from surrounding schools concerning their early graduates.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was up \$576.77 from this time last year. Ms. Bryant visited with me this afternoon about donating a firehose to the school to be used for classroom door security. By cutting the hose into sections, many doors may quickly be secured. We would like to thank her for her donation and proactive safety measures. We would like to thank the Bank of Grandin, Ms. Kathy Kearnbey brought 7 very large umbrellas to school today, which were donated for the elementary parent pick up line. We would like to congratulate both the Elementary and Middle Schools for being selected as a 'Best School' by US News and World Report for 2024! Our High School Basketball programs are soon to begin their competitive seasons. Bills were discussed.

MINUTES/BILLS

The Board approved the October 11, 2023 Special Board Meeting Minutes and the October 26, 2023 Regular Board Minutes and bills were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board approved the District Audit Report, the Career Education Program Evaluation, Guidance and Counseling Program Evaluation, Special Education Program Evaluation and the MSBA EF-AP1 update.

OLD BUSINESS

None

STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Norma Enochs talked about All District Choir, BRL Jazz Concert and Veteran's Day Ceremony. She shared and email that was received concerning the Veteran's Day Ceremony. Kacie Kendrick said the Elementary Map Trip to The City Museum will include over 100 students. Veronica Hollis said several students from High School Resource room and JAG visited Mingo with a stop over at Pizza Inn on the way back to school and Insta Pot Wednesday made taco soup and brownies.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President Ben Thies at 8:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's office. The agenda was approved as presented. Executive board minutes from October 26, 2023 were approved as presented. The Board approved as Donna Pennington as Substitute Teacher. The Board accepted Alexis Smith's resignation as companion aide and approved to hire Morgan Shaffer as Receiving Clerk. The Board approved Teresa Crawford as Assistant Elementary Girls Basketball Coach and the early graduation list providing students meet/complete all requirement. The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.