

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOLS

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board President Ben Thies called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria. The following Board Members were present: Ben Thies, John Walker, Jeremy Reynolds, Darrell Emery and JoEllen Carter. Stonie Croy and Gabe Thompson 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 Eudaley, Curriculum Director Keri Jameson, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer, Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, staff members Norma Enochs, and Angela Rodgers. Also in attendance Wes Lutton, Susie Fann and Taylor Eudaley

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was down from last year. Repairs around have started and summer school will be in the elementary building this year. Custodians have refinished the FEMA floor this week and will start on the outside buildings next week.

Consent Agenda

The Board approved the following consent items: April 11, 2024 Board Minutes, April 25, 2024 Regular Board Minutes, Payment of Bills, MSIP Professional Development Plan 2024-25, MSIP Library/Media Center Policies and Procedures, MSIP Pat Program Evaluation, MSIP ECSE Program Evaluation, MSIP SpEd Program Evaluation, MSIP A+ Certification of Students, MSIP A+ Partnership Plan, MSIP A+ Program Evaluation.

Public Comment

None

New Business

The Board approved the Superintendent to expend up to \$150,000 for elementary playground improvements. The Board approved the 2024-25 Prom be held at the Westwood Center in Poplar Bluff and to appoint the Elementary Counselor as LEP/ELL/ESOL Coordinator and High School Counselor as Homeless/Migrant Coordinator. The Board approved the Special Education Assurance Statement, Federal Programs Assurance Statement, Elementary Student Handbook, Middle School Student Handbook and High School Student Handbook. The Board approved the Elementary Activities

Handbook, District Activities Handbook, Transportation Student Handbook and Transportation Bus Driver Handbook. Fund1 to Fund 4 transfer-None.

Old Business

The Board approved to continue grandfathered days for staff who qualify, to roll over staff leave banked hours from the 2023-24 school year to the 2024-25 school year and to set leave for the 2024-25 school year at 1 day of leave per month of employment equivalent to 9 hours per staff member per month. Certified and Classified employees who are 9, 10, 11, and 12-month employees will work from 7:15 am to 4:00 pm with the exception of the Bus Mechanic, Maintenance and Technology Staff.

Staff Committee Reports

CTA member Norma Enochs said at the End of the Year BBQ we celebrated Lora Hanebrink's retirement after 31 years of teaching. She said elections for CTA were held in May and officers remained the same as the previous year. Norma said she would like to Thank Administration for being so open concerning several issues with climate.

The Board moved to enter into Executive session in accordance with Public Law, Section 610:21 items 1, 3, 6, 13, 14 and 16 for a closed meeting to the extent authorized by law.

Executive Session

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President Ben Thies at 8:53 p.m. in Central Office. Executive minutes from April 25, 2024 were approved. The Board approved Kim Gower as a substitute teacher. The Board accepted resignations from Kendra Asher as Jr. Beta Sponsor and John Crowley. The Board approved to hire Rachelle Kelch as SpEd Classroom Teacher, Rachel Turner as Companion Aide, Ashley Turner as Companion Aide, Kim Gower and Heather Kinnard as an ECSE Companion Aide and Dillon Landwee as High School Teacher. The Board approve Matt Stahl as A+ Coordinator, Keri Jameson and Kacie Kendrick as Summer School Directors and Corey Jameson and Matt Stahl as Transportation Directors. The Board meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.