

**MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MAGNOLIA BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Magnolia School District Number 14 was held in the board room in the Administration Building October 2, 2017. Board members present were Mike Waters, president; William Watson, vice-president; Steven Souter, secretary; and Roger Loper. Lysandra Curry was absent. John Ward, superintendent, was present. The President of the Board called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following business was transacted:

**Artists of the Month**

Mr. Ward recognized the following students as artists of the month:

Kaylee Martin – MHS

Kenzie Stockwell – MJHS

Destiny Haupt – Central Elementary

Kendall Bailey – East Side Elementary

Mike Waters welcomed Roger Loper to the Board and congratulations to everyone on the passage of millage increase.

- The Board approved the September 11, 2017, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- The Board elected officers for the 2017-2018 school year.

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| President-       | Mike Waters    |
| Vice-President - | William Watson |
| Secretary-       | Steven Souter  |

- The Board will review the September 2017 Financial Report at the November 6, 2017 board meeting.
- The Board approved splitting bonds up into two or more bonds so at least one, if not all, can be bank qualified. To be bank qualified, the school district cannot issue tax exempt bonds or short term debt over \$10,000,000.00 per calendar year. The Board approved to sell \$9,500,000 in October and close in November; sell \$7,500,000 in January 2018 and close in February 2018; and the balance will be sold at a later date. Steven Souter made the motion to split the bonds
- The Board approved the Resolution for Local Support of 2018 6-year Master Plan and Partnership Project Applications 2019/21 Biennium.
- The Board approved a resolution acknowledging employees that were given a five percent and above raise.
- The Board approved the purchase of the following from K-12 Solutions using NSLA funds:
  - Magnolia High School - \$69,400.00
  - 200 Lenovo Laptops
  - 1 Spectrum Pro32 Cart
  
  - Magnolia Junior High School - \$69,400.00
  - 200 Lenovo Laptops
  - 1 Spectrum Pro32 Cart

- The Board and Superintendent will attend one or more of the listed Arkansas School Boards Association Board Training meetings to fulfill their required hours of training.

Tuesday, October 17, 2017  
ASBA 2017 New Board Member Institute  
9:00 – 3:30 (6 hours training)  
Embassy Suites  
11301 Financial Centre Parkway  
West Little Rock, AR

Tuesday, October 24, 2017  
APSRC Board Training  
Steak Dinner at 4:45 p.m.  
5:30 – 8:30 (3 hours training includes 1 hour required audit training)  
South Central Service Cooperative  
Camden, AR

Tuesday, November 7, 2017  
ASBA Fall Region 13 Meeting  
Check in – 5:30 p.m.  
6:00 – 8:30 (3 hours training)  
Smackover High School Cafeteria  
Smackover, AR

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 – Friday, December 8, 2017  
Annual ASBA Conference  
Marriott Hotel and Statehouse Convention Center  
Little Rock, AR

- The Board did not select a voting representative to attend the 2017 ASBA Conference.
- The Board approved classified employment and accepted a classified resignation.

### **Superintendent's Report**

1. Thank you to the community for its support of our millage proposal.
2. Met with architects and working on the design phase of the projects.
3. Consider relocating the bus shop and parking to accommodate the ninth grade academy. There are two possible locations. One fits our needs much better than the other – asking permission from board to negotiate a purchase price. Board granted permission to negotiate a purchase price. Mike Waters added to ask owner if he has an appraisal and ask for first right of refusal from owner.