Minutes Regular Board Meeting November 14, 2013

The Harmony Grove School Board met in regular session on Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the board room of the superintendent's office on the Harmony Grove Campus.

Mr. Joe Rogers, Jr., president, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.. Five board members were present and on time for the meeting. The members present were Mr. Jeremy Givens, Mr. Joe Rogers, Jr., Mr. Robert Franks, Mr. Stephen McCann, and Mr. Ken Key. Board members absent were Mr. Todd Bearden and Mr. Marcus Ellis.

The minutes of the November 14, 2013 regular meeting were approved without objection. The financial report and payment of the bills were also approved without objection.

Mr. Jeremy Givens made a motion to approve a Resolution for the district to be allowed to use Scott Bearden for electrical services up to a total annual amount of \$5,000. The motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Franks. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Ken Key made a motion to approve a Resolution for the district to be allowed to use Frank Bearden for electrical services up to a total annual amount of \$5,000. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stephen McCann. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Pigott presented the districts 6-Year Master Plan and Partnership Program Projects to the board. He referred to the public hearing which was held at 6:00 p.m. just prior to the board meeting. No comments were submitted or made by the public. Mr. Pigott presented to the board copies detailing upcoming renovation projects for review by the board to be discussed at the next regular board meeting.

Mr. Jeremy Givens made a motion to approve the Resolution for Local Support of the 6-Year Master Plan & Partnership Program. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stephen McCann. The motion carried 5-0.

After discussion concerning the ASBA conference to be held December 11-13, Mr. Joe Rogers, Jr., volunteered to serve as the districts voting delegate for the conference.

Mr. Pigott shared with the board information concerning JTS Financial as a possible agent of record for employee supplemental insurance. Mr. Pigott requested that the board table this discussion until both the certified and classified PPC's could meet and make recommendations. The motion to table further discussion was made by Mr. Ken Key and seconded by Mr. Stephen McCann. The motion carried 5-0.

Bids were presented to the board for the purchase of a school car and a school truck for the Sparkman campus. Mr. Joe Rogers, Jr. removed himself from the board room. Mr. Ken Key made a motion to purchase a 2014 Chevrolet Impala for \$ 19, 240, which was

the low bid price, from Performance Chevrolet. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stephen McCann. The motion carried 4-0. Mr. Joe Rogers, Jr. returned to the board room. Mr. Jeremy Givens made a motion to purchase a 2014 F-250 Diesel four wheel drive pickup truck for \$35,126, which was the lowest bid, from Jim Golden Ford. The motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Franks. The motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Pigott presented a request for the use of the Sparkman Gym by the Sparkman Pee Wee Basketball Program. A motion was made by Mr. Robert Franks to allow the program use of the gym. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ken Key. The motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Pigott informed the board that there was an increase in the Educational Trust Fund and that this money is required to be paid to certified employees and it is required that the certified salary schedule be increased to reflect the increase in the Fund. Mr. Pigott recommended an increase of \$100 to the certified salary schedule. A motion was made by Mr. Jeremy Givens to raise the certified salary schedule \$100. The motion was seconded by Mr. Robert Franks. The motion passed 5-0.

The board heard a request for an early dismissal for Christmas on December 20, 2013 at noon. A motion was made by Mr. Robert Franks to approve the request on the date and time stated. Mr. Stephen McCann seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Pigott reminded the board of the request made by ASBA to appoint one board member as a Legislative Advocate for the board. Mr. Jeremy Givens volunteered to be the boards advocate. In other reports Mr. Pigott updated the board on problems with the gym roof at Sparkman and stated that the plan was to present the board with bids at the next regular board meeting for repair of the roof. Mr. Pigott informed the board of the new communication system, School Messenger, being utilized by the district to increase communication with parents. He informed the board of plans to utilize the system for several purposes. Mr. Pigott reminded the board of the board training to take place on November 19 at 6:00. He also reminded the board of board pictures that would be taken at 5:45 p.m. on December 12th.

Mr. McCann made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Givens seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education