

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 August 8, 2016. Board members present were Mr. Mike Waters, president; Mr. William Watson, vice president; Mr. Steven Souter, secretary; Ms. Pat Ward; Ms. Lysandra Curry was absent. Mr. 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:

Recognition

Board president, Mike Waters, recognized Mr. David Stuart for being unanimously selected as this year's "Arkansas Bandmaster of the Year" at the 2016 ABA Conference in Ft. Smith Arkansas. In addition, Mr. Stuart was also commemorated for 33 years of service as an Arkansas music educator. A reception was held for the occasion where Ft. Smith's Mayor Sandy Sanders personally presented Mr. David Stuart with a certificate proclaiming July 29, 2016 at "David O. Stuart, Sr. Day" in gratitude for Mr. Stuart's contributions to the citizens of Arkansas through his dedication to his musical career.

Board Meeting Minutes

The Board approved the June 13, 2016, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. William Watson made the motion. Pat Ward seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

July 2016 Financial Report and 2015-2016 Annual Financial Report

Mr. Ward reviewed the July 2016 Financial Report and the 2015-2016 Annual Financial Report. The Board approved the transfer of \$1 million to the building fund. Steven Souter made the motion. William Watson seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

2016 Election Resolution

The Board approved 2016 Election Resolution. Pat Ward made the motion. William Watson seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

2016 ELECTION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS no more than one (1) candidate for zone 4 for the Magnolia School District Board of Directors has presented a petition or notice in writing to the Columbia County Board of Election Commissioners as required by A.C.A. 6-14-111 (g), and (h); and

WHEREAS there are no other ballot issues to be submitted to district electors for consideration;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Magnolia School District request the Board of Election Commissioners of Columbia County, Arkansas open no polling places on the date of the annual school election scheduled to be held on Tuesday, September 20, 2016, so that the election can be conducted by absentee ballot and early voting only pursuant to A.C.A. 6-14-102(c).

ADOPTED in regular session by the Board of Directors of the Magnolia School District August 8, 2016.

Signed: Mike Waters, President

Signed: Steven Souter, Secretary

Sick Leave Bank Policy Effective for One Year

The Board approved the Sick Leave Bank Policy effective for a one-year extension of the program. Pat Ward made the motion. Steven Souter seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

2015-2016 Statistics: One employee was granted ten (10) days

Number of days at beginning of year:	66.75
Number of days used in 2015-16:	<u>(10.00)</u>
Balance of days at 6/30/2016:	56.75

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Food Service Food Bids

Justin Mills, K-12 Culinary Connection, presented food service food bids to the Board. Mr. Mills recommended Ben E. Keith for food items for the 2016-2017 school year. Bids are as follows:

Ben E. Keith	\$83,637.50
Tankersly	\$85,592.75
Sysco	\$88,693.35

William Watson made the motion. Pat Ward seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

Food Service Milk and Juice; Grain/Bread Bids

Susan Gosdin, Director of Food Service, presented food service milk and juice; grain/bread bids to the Board. Mrs. Gosdin recommended Oak Farms Dairy for milk and juice; Flowers Baking Company for grain/bread for the Magnolia School Food Service for the 2016-2017 school year. Bids are as follows:

<u>Milk and Juice</u>	<u>Grain/Bread</u>	
Highland \$99,305.70	Flowers Baking Company	\$17,084.25
Oak Farms \$89,659.50	Bimbo Bakers	No Response
Borden Does not service our area		

William Watson made the motion. Steven Souter seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

Consider Approval of Consultant Services of Generation Ready Inc.

Penny Talley, Curriculum Coordinator, requested approval to contract with Generation Ready Inc. for second year middle school literacy initiative services for 30 days of on-site support and one-on-one consultation for teachers at Magnolia Junior High School. Consultants will provide support for 7th, 8th, and 9th grade teacher teams. Strategies include demonstration lessons/modeling; co-teaching; lesson design; collaborative team planning; data collection and analysis; goal setting. The fee for services is \$45,000. The fee will be paid from federal funds. Pat Ward made the motion. William Watson seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

Computer Purchase

The Board approved the purchase of the following computers from K-12 Solutions:

135 laptops for teachers	\$735/each	\$99,225	Purchased with Title 1/1003a funds
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30 laptops for principals, assistant principals and administrators	\$735/each	\$22,050	Purchased with local funds
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Steven Souter made the motion. Pat Ward seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

Soliciting Bids for Construction of Weight Room/Cheer Room

The Board approved soliciting bids for the construction of a weight room and a cheer room. William Watson made the motion. Steven Souter seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

Fuel Bids

The Board accepted fuel bids for the 2016-2017 school year, as recommended by Chris Hurley, Director of Support Services. The Board voted to accept the lowest bid for fuel from Price Oil Company. William Watson made the motion. Pat Ward seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed. All bids are listed below.

	<u>Diesel*</u>	<u>87 Octane Gas*</u>
Price Oil Company	\$.0245	\$.0245
Sewell Oil Company	\$.049	\$.049
Reladyne Oil Company	\$.052	\$.062

*Percentage above rack price

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Rescheduling Date of Regular Board Meeting

The Board approved rescheduling of the regular October board meeting to October 3 and the regular November board meeting to November 7. William Watson made the motion. Pat Ward seconded the motion, and it unanimously passed.

Board Policy Updates and New Board Policies

The Board accepted for review, as presented by Scott Nipper, the following new and revised Board Policies. The Board will consider for approval these policies at the September 12, 2016 board meeting.

- 4.30 Suspensions
- 4.35 Student Medications
- 4.40 Homeless Students
- 8.11 Overtime, Comptime, and Complying with FLSA

Personnel

The Board accepted resignations, approved employment. William Watson made the motion. Pat Ward seconded the motion, and the motion unanimously passed.

Superintendent's Report

1. Teachers returned today. A professional development schedule has been given to each board member.
2. The district-wide lighting project and the dropped ceiling project at East Side are complete. The dropped ceiling looks really nice.
3. A new parking lot has been installed across the street from the junior high school. The city was very helpful in getting this accomplished.

Executive Session

The Board adjourned to executive session. No motions were made.

Mike Waters, President

Steven Souter, Secretary

Approved: September 12, 2016