

BERRYVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 17, 2014 6:00 P.M.
3-5 CAFETORIUM

The Berryville Board of Education met for its regular monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the 3-5 Cafetorium.

Members Present: Vonda Bailey, Todd Howard, Kristi Howerton, Lydia King, Sherri Plumlee
& David Waller

Absent: Jeff Miles

The meeting was called to order by President Vonda Bailey at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes – A motion was made by Todd Howard to accept the minutes from the January 20, 2014 Regular Monthly Meeting and Special Called Meetings on January 24, January 28, February 11, 2014. A unanimous vote followed.

Financial Reports – A motion was made by Kristi Howerton to accept the Financial Reports as presented. A unanimous vote followed.

Student, Teacher, & District Recognitions:

The Board received Student, Teacher & District Recognitions

Persons/Groups Who Wish To Approach The Board:

A motion was made by Lydia King to approve the following Fundraiser & Trip Requests:

Cheerleading – 4 Fundraiser Requests to cover costs for Cheerleader Uniforms, etc.

Show Choir Barbershop Quartet – Branson Trips for Performance Opportunities

Softball – Operate the Concession Stand at Baseball & Softball Games

A unanimous vote followed.

Buildings/Grounds/Facilities:

Doug Harris provided the Board with the Facilities Update, Federal Programs & Miscellaneous Updates.

Professional Development – A motion was made by Sherri Plumlee to set the dates for the 2014-15 Professional Development Year as May 31, 2014 – June 31, 2015. A unanimous vote followed.

Personnel Policy Committee:

None

Old Business:

Band Uniforms – A motion was made by Lydia King to approve a 3-year purchasing plan for Band Uniforms of \$35,000 for 2014, \$18,000 for 2015, and \$5,000 for 2016. A unanimous vote followed. The Band Department would approach the Board each year before making the purchase. Mr. Morris made a formal presentation to the board with a fabric swatches and a composite drawing of the new uniforms and his three year projection.

New Business:

Testing/Achievement Report – The Board received the 2014 Assessment Schedule and 2014-15 Transitions. It was noted by Mindy Hicks, Testing Coordinator, that the schedule has had to be updated several times due to inclement weather and the latest version was sent to the board members today.

Stipend Increases For Coaches & Class Sponsors – John McClellan, Athletic Director, asked the Board to consider adding \$1,000 Stipend to Assistant Coach Salaries; adding \$500 for 7th Grade Head Coaches; \$750 for Head JR Track & Volleyball Coaches; increasing Class Sponsors to \$500 (including adding Sophomore Class Sponsor which currently does not have a stipend); and increasing Student Council Sponsor from \$356 to \$500. After discussion, the Board tabled the request until next month.

School Board Legal Liability Insurance Renewal – A motion was made by Lydia King to approve renewing the School Board legal Liability Insurance for \$5,916. A unanimous vote followed. There was no premium increase over the previous year.

Track Renovations – A motion was made by Todd Howard to issue RFP's (Bids) for Track Renovations to include removing the concrete curb and replacing the red rock with asphalt. A unanimous vote followed. The Board had previously approved setting aside \$150,000 for the project using part of the Bond Refinance Funds at its June 18, 2012 meeting.

Transfer of Funds – A motion was made by Lydia King to transfer \$750,000 from District Operating Funds to the Building Fund and place in CD's in 1-year increments. A unanimous vote followed. Dr. Byrd suggested that the Board consider doing this again next year to have enough money set aside to add classrooms, as he feels that there will not be any state support when it comes time to build. He also added that this money could be transferred back to Operating should the need arise.

Superintendent's Report:

Administrator Reports – The Board received the Administrator Reports.

Attendance Report - Dr. Byrd reported to the Board that there were 2013 students enrolled as of February 11th, down 14 students from January 14th.

Other – Dr. Byrd told the Board that the National School Boards Association Annual Conference is in New Orleans Saturday April 5th – Monday April 7th. If anyone is interested in attending please let Mary know as soon as possible.

Personnel:

Classified -

A motion was made by Lydia King to approve the retirement letter of Melody Stockslager, Distance Learning, at the end of her current contract. A unanimous vote followed.

A motion was made by Kristi Howerton to approve Eddy Reyes as a Volunteer Soccer Coach. A unanimous vote followed.

A motion was made by Kristi Howerton to approve adding the following to the Substitute List for the remainder of the 2013-14 school year:

Bryan Frymire K-12

A unanimous vote followed.

Certified –

Executive Session – The Board went in to Executive Session at 6:46 p.m. and returned to Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

A motion was made by Lydia King to accept the following resignations:

Kristi Brinkman-Lee, Special Education, effective 1-31-14

Rachel Kendrick, Speech Pathologist, effective at the end of her current contract

A unanimous vote followed.

A motion was made by Lydia King to accept the following retirements at the end of their current contracts:

Sue Clanton ESL

Ron Harvell Economics

Eileen Raines 8th Grade Literacy

Linda Summers ESL Coordinator

A unanimous vote followed.

A motion was made by Todd Howard to approve a 6-week Maternity Leave Request submitted by Lea Jones to begin approximately March 31, 2014. A unanimous vote followed.

A motion was made by Todd Howard to approve Kristin Whetham to teach the Driver's Education Course. It was noted that Berryville Ford will be donating the vehicle but the school will be providing the insurance. A unanimous vote followed.

A motion was made by Kristi Howerton to approve renewing the following Administrator Contracts for the 2014-15 school year:

David Gilmore

Apryl Harmon

Doug Harris
John McClellan
Owen Powell
Kelly Swofford
Teresa Wright

A unanimous vote followed.

The Board was informed that Michael Moon, Middle School Band Director, has completed all necessary requirements for Licensure. The Board approved his rehire at the January 20, 2014 meeting once his license was received. The new contract was made effective January 20, 2014. No action was necessary from the Board.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Todd Howard adjourn the meeting. A unanimous vote followed.

Secretary to Board of Education

Date