

**FORREST CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
FORREST CITY JR. HIGH LIBRARY  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 2018  
5:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President, Joey Astin, called the August 16, 2018 board meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

The following board members were present: Mrs. Evetta Whitby; Mr. Larry Devasier; Ms. Evette Boyd; Mrs. Sandra Taylor; Mr. Miles Kimble; Mr. Joey Astin and Dr. Tiffany Hardrick, Superintendent. Mrs. Annie Norman was absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Astin stated the July 16, 2018 school board minutes would be approved as amended. No objections were noted.

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES**

Mr. Astin stated the expenditures for the period beginning July 1, 2018 and ending July 30, 2018 would be approved as submitted. No objections were noted.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Hardrick reviewed the findings that were cited by the Arkansas Legislative Audit with the board. She noted the district was cited for the way it supports the Special Olympics Program. Dr. Hardrick stated the district has submitted a corrective action where the program will be set up as an activity account through the special education department.

The audit cited the district on the process of how the child nutrition department receipts. Recommendations from the Arkansas Legislative Audit committee were given to the child nutrition department.

Dr. Hardrick discussed the district reviews test scores. She stated the Arkansas Department of Education made adjustments to the process of they evaluate scores. Dr. Hardrick noted the Arkansas Department of Education doesn't look at proficiency and urges districts to look only at scale scores. She stated the district is seeing more growth when the teachers go straight to the students. The district had worked with select students whom were not proficient and those students had shown growth. Dr. Hardrick stated the will be making adjustments as to how the district works with students.

Dr. Hardrick discussed with the board a decision for the district to take control of the concession stand at Sam Smith Stadium from the band boosters and spread it out among parents of students who participate in other extracurricular activities she identified as golf, tennis and volleyball. She stated those organizations don't bring in funding like football and basketball do. Dr. Hardrick said she had met with Mr. Tate, band director, and several members of the band boosters, assuring them they would receive no less this year than the group had averaged over the past few years, which she said is between \$4,000 and \$4,500.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Consent agenda items were moved to new business.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **TRACK & FIELD**

Dr. Hardrick stated the new Jumbo Tron screen will be in the district soon. She noted the fundraising has been amazing with individuals and businesses helping the district defray the cost.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **PERSONNEL POLICY COMMITTEES - LICENSED & CLASSIFIED**

No report.

##### **EXECUTIVE SESSION (6:05 PM)**

President Astin stated the board would adjourn in executive session and no action will be taken.

##### **OPEN SESSION (6:18)**

President Astin declared the meeting in open session and stated no action was taken.

##### **PERSONNEL**

Dr. Hardrick moved to approve the following personnel:

Wilkins, Brandon  
Clifton, Seane  
Curne, Nita  
Birmingham, Lisa  
Richardson, Kennesha  
Kirk, Deanna  
Hodges, Darrell

Mr. Miles Kimble moved to approve and Ms. Evette Boyd seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

##### **STUDENT TRANSFER REQUEST**

Dr. Hardrick recommended the board approve 3 student transfers to the Palestine Wheatley School District. The transfers are pending acceptance from the Palestine-Wheatley district.

**APSRC CONTRACT**

Dr. Hardrick recommended the board approve the APSRC contract in the amount of \$50,000. Mrs. Sandra Taylor moved to approve and Ms. Evette Boyd seconded. The contract was approved with a voice vote of 6-0.

**KEITH SANDERS GROUP CONTRACT**

Dr. Hardrick recommended the board approve the Keith Sanders Group contract for English/Reading for middle level grades be approved in the amount of \$50,000. Ms. Evette Boyd moved to approve and Mr. Miles Kimble seconded. The motion carried with a voice vote of 5-1.

**MARCUS NELSON CONTRACT**

Dr. Hardrick recommended the board approve the contract of Marcus Nelson in the amount of \$40,000. Ms. Evette Boyd moved to approve and was seconded by Mr. Miles Kimble. The motion carried with a voice vote of 5-1.

**DIANN GATHRIGHT, EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANT CONTRACT**

Dr. Hardrick recommended the board approve the contract of Diann Gathright, educational consultant in the amount of \$30,000. Ms. Evette Boyd moved to approve and was seconded by Mr. Miles Kimble. The motion carried with a voice vote of 5-1.

**PROGRESSIVE TECHNOLOGIES BID**

Dr. Hardrick recommended the board approve the bid from Progressive Technologies in the amount of \$12,275.31 for new IP cameras at Sam Smith Stadium. Ms. Evette Boyd moved to approve and was seconded by Mr. Miles Kimble. The motion carried with a voice vote of 6-0.

**AMRO MUSIC ESTIMATE**

Dr. Hardrick recommended the board approve the purchase of grand piano in the amount of \$21,864.15. Mr. Miles Kimble moved to approve and was seconded by Ms. Evette Boyd. The motion carried upon a voice vote of 6-0.

Mr. Larry Devasier recommended the board go to executive session to discuss an employee's contract.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (6:58 PM)**

President Astin stated the board would adjourn in executive session and stated no action would be taken.

**OPEN SESSION (7:03 PM)**

President Astin declared the meeting in open session and stated no action was taken.

**SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING**

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2018 beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the FCJH library.

**ADJOURNMENT 7:06 p.m.**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned.

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Mr. Miles Kimble, Secretary