

A Meeting of the Board of Education of the Ozark Mountain School District.

Type: Regular Session

Place: St. Joe Campus – Administration Building

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Date: January 20, 2020

Members Present: Jesse Rose, Ben Taylor, Gary Lovell, Donald Morris, Mona Elliott, and Travis Freeman

Members Absent: Brad Gibson

Ozark Mountain School Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m...

Ben Taylor made the motion to accept the December 16, 2019 Board Minutes as presented, Donald Morris second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor presented to the Board the Financial Report for the month of December 2019, with an ending balance of \$1,275,221.78. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept the November Financial Report as presented, Travis Freeman second, and motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor advised the Board that Solar Power bids were being collected and he hoped to bring forward a formal proposal to the February Board meeting.

Next on the Agenda was Policy 4.24 A – Student Chemical Screening. During the December Board meeting, it was mentioned that discrepancies had been discovered in Student Policy and the Student Handbook that presented the need to create Policy 4.24 A. This OMSD Student Policy was created to align with the existing statement in the OMSD Student Handbook. Donald Morris made the motion to accept as presented, Ben Taylor second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Additional discussion was directed to fan behavior at OMSD athletic events.

Mr. Saylor presented to the Board two (2) requests for Petition for Transfer of Students that had been received to enter Ozark Mountain School District. One was a digital learner, Leroy Davis (Kindergarten) and the second, Caelan Tabor-Taffor both from the Yellville-Summit School District. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept the transfer of the two students, Gary Lovell second and the motion unanimously passed.

Next on the Agenda was Personnel. Travis Freeman made the motion to extend the Superintendent's contract to the 2022-2023 school year. Ben Taylor asked for discussion on the matter, after group discussion Mr. Freeman amended his motion to increase the Superintendent's salary to \$113,000 and extend the contract through the 2022-2023 school year. Mona Elliott second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor made the recommendation to accept the below Resignation as presented effective July 1, 2020.

Resignation:

Name

Rose Saylor

Position

Federal Programs Director, Curriculum Coordinator,
Digital Learning Director and District Compliance Officer

Donald Morris made the recommendation to accept the resignation as presented, Travis Freeman second the motion and the motion unanimously passed. The Board expressed their appreciation for the excellent job that she did and wished her a happy retirement.

Mr. Saylor then made the recommendation for New Hires as presented below:

New Hires:

Name

Dr. Andrew Curry

Position

Assistant Superintendent, Federal Programs Director, Curriculum Coordinator, Digital Learning Director and District Compliance Officer

Lindsey Graham

Digital Learning Coordinator

Mr. Saylor shared that Dr. Curry's vision of the Digital Learning Program aligned well with Ozark Mountain School District's vision and by adding Ms. Graham to the district, Ozark Mountain had an opportunity to develop a premier online learning academy. Ben Taylor made the motion to accept the slate of new hires as presented, Travis Freeman recused himself from the vote, then Donald Morris second the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

In General Discussion, Mr. Saylor shared grant opportunities that were being pursued by Ozark Mountain School District. The Go RED! Grant, USDA Grant and CTE Grant were all being drafted and he hoped to update their status during February's meeting. Mr. Saylor was proud to report that all OMSD Board members had received their required six (6) Board Training hours for the 2019-2020 school year. In addition, in General Discussion Mr. Saylor shared that he had been approached by the Marion County Voting Commission requesting the use of the Bruno-Pyatt school as an election site for upcoming voting. All Board members were in favor.

With no other items on the agenda, Ben Taylor made the motion to adjourn at 7:18 p.m., Travis Freeman second and the meeting adjourned. The next Ozark Mountain School Board meeting will be February 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Administration Building on the St. Joe Campus.

Respectfully submitted.

Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose

Board Vice President, Mr. Ben Taylor