

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

Type: Regular Session

Place: St. Joe Campus - Gymnasium

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Date: November 18, 2020

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

Members Absent: None

Ozark Mountain School Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m...

Ben Taylor made the motion to accept the October 15, 2020 Regular Session Board Minutes as presented, Donald Morris second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor presented to the Board the Preliminary Financial Report for month ending October 31, 2020, in which Ozark Mountain reports a total ending balance of \$1,425,392.47. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept the monthly financials as presented, Donald Morris second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor provided an update to the progress of the search for OMSD's next District Treasurer and Bookkeeper. Due to the recent spike of COVID cases in the community and upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks, interviews have been postponed until further notice.

Next on the agenda Mr. Saylor presented a proposed revision to *Policy – 4.60 Senior Class Trips*. In August 2020, OMSD Board approved the policy and practice of abolishing senior class trips and awarded the Senior class of 2020 a refund of funds raised. The revision states *“Any Senior class funds that are unused after the graduation class of 2021 will be transferred to the District’s General Activity Fund.”* Ben Taylor made the motion to accept as presented, Gary Lovell second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor presented the Board with the ADE – Federal Programs Statement of Assurance that required Board approval for Ozark Mountain to receive federal funding. Travis Freeman made the motion to accept as presented, Donald Morris second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor shared with the Board OMSD's procedure and protocol for the COVID-19 Rapid Testing that Nurse Treadwell will be administering for the students and employees of the district on the Western Grove campus. With the uptick of COVID-19 cases, Mr. Saylor recommended a revision to add reinforcement to the district's mask policy. It is as follows, *“On the first offense the student will receive a verbal warning. Second offense the student will receive an additional warning with parent contact. The third offense the student will be sent home for the remainder of the day and all of the following day.”* All students grade 5-12 will still be required to wear a mask when social distancing is not possible in all public areas.

Next, Mr. Saylor shared with the Board a list of recommended items for retirement of non-operational Agri Equipment on the Western Grove Campus sent by Agri Teacher, Mr. Alex Hale. Travis Freeman made the motion to retire the items as presented, Gary Lovell second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor provided to the Board an update on the Solar Panel Project.

Mr. Saylor informed the Board that a business had inquired of the purchase of one (1) acre of land on the St. Joe campus but no formal offer had been presented.

Mr. Saylor visited with the Board regarding the vacant Zone 1 Board Position and the need to appoint someone to fill the position. Travis Freeman made the motion to appoint Mr. Travis Dixon for the position with no second. Ben Taylor made the motion to appoint Mr. Waylon Lewis to the vacant Zone 1 position, Gary Lovell second and the vote was five for, and one opposing. To participate in next month meeting, Mr. Lewis will need to be administered the *Oath of Office* before December 16, 2020.

In General Discussion, Mr. Saylor informed the Board that there were schedule conflicts for the Board meetings during the months of December 2020 and January 2021. The Board decided the meeting be moved to the third Wednesday for those two months. Next, Mr. Saylor shared that OMSD's homecoming will be January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at North Arkansas College against Jasper and Senior night will be January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at North Arkansas College against Lead Hill.

With no other items on the agenda, Donald Morris made the motion to adjourn, Mona Elliott second and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.... Due to a basketball schedule conflict, the December Board meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m...

Respectfully submitted.

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Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose

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Board Vice President, Mr. Ben Taylor