

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

Type: Regular Session

Place: St. Joe Campus - Library

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Date: July 20, 2020

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

Members Absent: Brad Gibson

Ozark Mountain School Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m...

Mona Elliott made the motion to accept the June 15, 2020 Regular Session and the June 23, 2020 Special 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 June 30, 2020 in which Ozark Mountain reports a total ending balance of \$1,859,520.01. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept the June Financial report as presented, Gary Lovell second, and the motion unanimously passed. Mr. Saylor noted that he might present to the Board during the July meeting a request to move approximately \$200,000 into the Building Fund.

Next on the Agenda was the appointment of a Board Member for the Zone 2 vacancy. Mr. Saylor wanted the minutes to reflect that due to a coaching vacancy, and a conflict of interest with the candidate for hire and Mr. Freeman, Mr. Freeman resigned from the Ozark Mountain School Board before the regular session held on June 15, 2020. The position has sat vacant for a month, with no interest expressed in the Zone 2 vacancy, so Mr. Saylor recommended the reappointment of Travis Freeman to fill the vacancy. Donald Morris made the motion to accept the recommendation to reappoint Mr. Travis Freeman for the Zone 2 School Board vacancy, Mona Elliott second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor reminded the Board that in early Spring 2020, a tornado hit the Bruno-Pyatt campus and did roughly \$20,000 worth of damage. Recently, Mr. Saylor ran a Legal Notice in the Harrison Daily Times looking for bids to construct a Baseball Press Box, Restrooms, some Storage and additional construction projects in the future. Mr. Saylor then introduced Mr. Craig Boone with Architecture Plus, Inc. from Ft. Smith, AR to visit with the Board about the construction project. Mr. Boone shared some renderings and stated that he was hopeful that something could be constructed for approximately \$80,000 but was not certain. The Board asked Mr. Boone to draw up plans with and without restrooms in the Bruno-Pyatt project and send back for review.

Due to Governor Hutchison's announcement to back the school start date up two (2) weeks, Ozark Mountain needed to adjust the 2020-2021 School Calendar. Mr. Saylor shared with the Board a revised school calendar making the first day of school August 25, 2020 and last day of school May 27, 2021. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept the revised 2020-2021 School Calendar, Donald Morris second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Next was round two (2) of the Slate of recommended ASBA Policy revision that was sent to both Certified and Classified PPC committees and the 2020-2021 Student Handbook. Mr. Saylor recommended that the Board accept the ASBA revisions and the 2020-2021 Student Handbook as presented. Donald Morris made the motion to accept, Gary Lovell second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor presented the Agreement policy for Provision 2. Mr. Saylor explained that this was the program that provided free breakfast and lunch for all students at Ozark Mountain School District. Donald Morris made the motion to accept as presented, Gary Lovell second, and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor then presented the slate of resignations for the 2020-2021 School year. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept resignations as presented, Donald Morris second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Resignation of Position:

Certified Employee Name

Position

Josh Manes

WG – Part-Time Teacher/Coach

Classified Employee Name

Position

Shannon Cothran

BP - Paraprofessional

Thomas Cantrell

BP – Bus Driver

James Hutton

BP – Bus Driver

New Hires:

Name

Licensed Position

Nathan Willems

BP – HS Math/Science

Mr. Saylor recommended to the Board that Pinnacle Propane be awarded the bid for Propane during the 2020-2021 school Year. Pinnacle Propane had the lowest bid of \$1.10/gallon for 50,000 gallons of Propane. Donald Morris made the motion to accept the bid from Pinnacle Propane for school year 2020-2021, Gary Lovell second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor made the recommendation to approve the requested Petition for Transfer of Students received. Donald Morris made the motion to accept, Mona Elliott second and the motion unanimously passed.

Transfers into Ozark Mountain School District:

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Resident District</u>	<u>Receiving District</u>
Joseph Planetta	13	Pea Ridge	OMSD – OMLA
Naomi Planetta	11	Pea Ridge	OMSD – OMLA
Charity Planetta	8	Pea Ridge	OMSD – OMLA
Marie Planetta	5	Pea Ridge	OMSD – OMLA

Transfers Out of Ozark Mountain School District:

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Resident District</u>	<u>Receiving District</u>
Cooper Jean Louis Allen	5	OMSD – WG	Deer/Mt. Judea

Mr. Saylor provided an Athletics update to the Board. He shared that practices were going well and the kids seemed to really be having fun and bonding. Through committee work and student vote, OMSD athletics for 2020-2021 will be the OMSD Bears with team colors of grey and blue. Coach Chagnon has been shopping for uniforms (20 sets, all four teams) and found them for \$11,000.

COVID-19 Back-to-School updates. Ms. Cunningham has developed a re-entry plan for 2020-2021 school year. Principals recorded a Facebook video sharing important information, and the State Department has provided Lincoln Learning Curriculum for all students. Through grants that OMSD received (BP=\$19,000, SJ= \$17,000, and WG=\$22,000), we were able to purchase Chromebooks for each student in the district and we are negotiating for hotspots for those with no internet access. All Board members agreed that we needed to make our plan for 2020-2021 as family friendly and as flexible as possible.

In General Discussion, Mr. Saylor made the recommendation to move OMSD regular monthly Board meeting to the third Thursday of each month since the adoption of the 4-day school week and school closure on Mondays. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept as presented and move the regular monthly board meetings to the third Thursday of each month, Gary Lovell second and the motion unanimously passed.

With no other items on the agenda, Donald Morris made the recommendation to adjourned, Mona Elliott second and the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m....

Respectfully submitted.

Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose

Board Secretary, Mr. Donald Morris