

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

Type: Regular Session

Place: St. Joe Campus

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Date: March 18, 2021

Members Present: Jesse Rose, Donald Morris, Ben Taylor, Waylon Lewis, Travis Freemans, Gary Lovell and Mona Elliot (via ZOOM)

Members Absent: None

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

Ben Taylor made the motion to accept the February 18, 2021 Regular Session Board Minutes as presented, Mona Elliott second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor presented to the Board with the January 2021 and February 2021 Financial Reports. As of February 28, 2021, OMSD has an ending balance of \$1,790,932.36. Mona Elliott made the motion to accept the Finance Reports as presented, Donald Morris second and the motion unanimously passed.

Next on the agenda was the SY 2021-2022 Academic Calendar. The proposed calendar has classes starting on August 17, 2021 with last day May 19, 2022. Travis Freeman made the motion to send the proposed SY 2021-2022 Academic Calendar to Certified and Classified PPC for approval, Waylon Lewis second the motion and the motion unanimously passed. Upon approval from PPC, the calendar will come back to the Board for final approval.

Mr. Saylor shared with the Board his recommendation to continue with Athletic Ticket sales through Ticket Leap for the 2021-2022 school year. Mr. Saylor stated that the transactions were smooth, the schools did not handle any money, receipt, or count gate sales which worked well for the district. Mr. Saylor also shared that he would like for the Board to consider not charging admission to athletic events for OMSD students this upcoming school year.

Next on the agenda was ASBA Winter Policy Updates. Mona Elliott made the motion to send the ASBA Winter Updates to the both PPC's for review and the Board vote next month on the recommended policy changes. Ben Taylor second the motion and the motion unanimously passed. Mr. Saylor reminded the Board that the Policy Manual should be updated and reviewed each and every year.

Mr. Saylor happily reported that Ozark Mountain School District had proudly closed, with the assistance of the Barnabas Team, the Solar Project deal with Today's Power. Mr. Saylor first mentioned the Solar Project in July of 2019 and quickly determined that OMSD would need assistance in the details and negotiations of such a project. Mr. David Ozment, and the entire Barnabas Team, were instrumental in navigating and closing the details of the project. Mr. Ozment stated that over the next twenty (20) to twenty-five (25) years, OMSD has the potential to save up to \$1,000,000 in utility expenses and will benefit from cost savings beginning day one. Mr. Saylor added that after twenty (20) years the District will have the option of having

the solar field removed, or allow it to remain, and renegotiate an extension of the Solar Power Services contract rate and terms.

Mr. Saylor shared with the Board the pleasure of working with the Barnabas Team and looks forward to the partnership with Today's Power.

At 6:35 p.m., Donald Morris made the motion for the OMSD Board to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Gary Lovell second the motion and the Board entered Executive Session. At 7:30 p.m., OMSD Board reconvened into general session. Travis Freeman made the motion to accept the slate of new hires, resignations, and reassignments as presented. Donald Morris second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Resignation of Position:

Certified Employee Name

Position

Dr. Andrew Curry

Assistant Superintendent/BP Principal

Classified Employee Name

Position

Danny Bohannon

SJ – Level I Maintenance

New Hires:

Name

Licensed Position

Clay Evans

WG – Agriculture Teacher

Name

Classified Position

None

Reassignment of Position:

Name

Old Position

New Position

Renee Gregory

Assistant Bookkeeper

Counselor Aide

Mr. Saylor presented to the Board the *Proposed Budget of Expenditures with Tax Levy for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 to and including June 30, 2023*. Travis Freeman made the motion to adopt the *Proposed Budget of Expenditures with Tax Levy for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 to and including June 30, 2023*, Waylon Lewis second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

In General Discussion, Mr. Saylor shared OMSD's Enrollment Comparison Report which shows the District's enrollment at 718, up 67 students from same time last year. Mr. Saylor also shared with the Board that a survey had recently been sent out to OMSD employees on the 4-day school week and would report findings at a future meeting. The Board also discussed Pee Wee Basketball numbers and options to maximize practice and playing time for 3rd and 4th grade students. Mr. Freeman recommended that we pay helpers of the Pee Wee program

\$15/hour, two (2) nights a week, to referee scrimmage games and assist Coaches. It was also recommended to take a look at a stipend to Mr. Cody Hudson for the YouTube Live broadcasts this past Basketball season and provide Ms. Kelly Smith and her family a Season Pass to the remainder of OMSD Athletic Events this school year.

With no other items on the agenda, Donald Morris made the motion to adjourn, Travis Freeman second and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m....

Respectfully submitted.

Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose

Board Vice President, Mr. Ben Taylor