

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: April 15, 2021

Members Present: Jesse Rose, Donald Morris, Ben Taylor, Waylon Lewis, Travis Freemans, and Gary Lovell

Members Absent: Mona Elliott

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

Travis Freeman made the motion to accept the March 18, 2021 Regular Session Board Minutes as presented, Ben Taylor second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor presented to the Board the March 2021 Financial Reports. OMSD recorded an ending balance of \$2,590,552.04. Mr. Saylor shared the additional revenue had come from tax revenue, isolation funding and growth funding. Ben Taylor made the motion to accept the Finance Reports as presented, Donald Morris second and the motion unanimously passed.

Next on the agenda was Personnel. Mr. Saylor shared with the Board a Slate of Resignations and New Hire for OMSD. A PowerPoint that was prepared by Kristen Garner with ASBA was also shared. It explained law pertaining to Certified personnel and contract renewals, without the Board having to act. It was recommended that the Board let the law take over for the Board's action of rehire for Certified personnel, with the exception of Superintendent and Principal's. With that, Ben Taylor made a motion to extend the Superintendent's contract into the 2023-2024 school year. Gary Lovell second the motion and the motion unanimously passed. Next position for hire was Principal on the Bruno-Pyatt Campus. Mr. Saylor recommended that the Board enter into Executive Session. Donald Morris made the motion to enter Executive Session at 6:15 p.m., Waylon Lewis second and the Board entered into Executive Session.

At 7:10 p.m., OMSD Board reconvened and the motion was made by Donald Morris to accept the Slate of Resignations and to hire Mr. John McCleary as the Principal of the Bruno-Pyatt Campus. Mr. McCleary will have the option to live at the house on the Western Grove Campus and pay all utilities. Ben Taylor second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

## **Resignation of Position:**

### **Certified Employee Name**

### **Position**

Noah Chagnon

BP – Classroom Teacher  
OMSD - District Athletic Director & Coach

Keith Brummund

WG – Resource Room

Amanda Caudell

OMLA – Classroom Teacher

Shasta Doshier BP – Classroom Teacher

**Classified Employee Name**

**Position**

Stephanie Overman

OMLA – Level I Secretary

Terry Phillips

BP – Bus Driver & Bus Maintenance

**New Hires:**

**Name**

**Licensed Position**

John McCleary

BP - Principal

**Name**

**Classified Position**

None

None

Mr. Saylor shared with the Board the proposed Salary Schedules for both Certified and Classified Personnel and the Stipend List for the 2021-2022 School Year. Travis Freeman made the motion to accept and send the Salary Schedules to both Personnel Policy Committees, with the modification of Administrative Assistant salary be moved to the Technology Tech column on the proposed Classified Salary Schedule. Donald Morris second the motion and the motion unanimously passed. Both Salary Schedules will be sent to PPC and come back to the Board for final vote during the May 2021 Board meeting.

Next on the Agenda, Mr. Saylor addressed the Graduation requirements for OMSD Seniors. When OMSD went to the 4-day week for this school year, the number of class periods offered per day was lowered. Therefore, Mr. Saylor recommended that the credits needed to graduate be lowered from twenty-four (24) credits to twenty-three (23) for the 2021-2022 School Year. Donald Morris made the motion to accept the recommendation, Travis Freeman second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Saylor next shared with the Board the *COVID-19 Guidance for Schools End-of-Year Plan*, noting that the Governor ended the mask mandate and the authority was given to local school Boards on how they wanted to finish the school year. After much discussion, Travis Freeman made the motion to make masks optional at OMSD and no longer conduct temperature checks during the morning entry for students and staff. Waylon Lewis second the motion and the motion passed with a 5-1 vote with Mr. Ben Taylor opposing.

Mr. Saylor informed that the Solar Project was moving along and that Today's Power had selected the site and layout for the solar field on the St. Joe Campus. Plans are to start this summer with an entry located by the Water Department on the southern part of the St. Joe Campus property. There will be approximately 1,500 solar panels placed on the allotted site.

Mr. Saylor shared the Digital Learning Plan for the 2021-2022 school year, noting that the plan needed to be posted to the OMSD website before submitting the application to ADE. Donald

Morris made the motion to approve the plan as presented, Travis Freeman second and the motion unanimously passed.

Results of the 4-Day school week were shared with the OMSD Board and overwhelmingly all were in favor of continuing the 4-day schedule.

Mr. Saylor made the recommendation to accept the *ASBA Winter Policy* updates that were presented earlier to the Board, sent to Certified and Classified PPC's and returned with no changes. Travis Freeman made the motion to accept as presented, Ben Taylor second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

In General Discussion, Mr. Saylor shared the Enrollment Comparison report reflecting an increase of 61 students over same time last year. Mr. Saylor also shared Board Training opportunities and asked members to inform Lori Currie if they were interested in attending any training.

With no other items on the Agenda, Travis Freeman made the motion to adjourn and Donald Morris second. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m...

Respectfully submitted.

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Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose

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Board Vice President, Mr. Ben Taylor