

## A Meeting of the Board of Education of The Ozark Mountain School District

Type: Regular Session Meeting

Place: St. Joe Campus

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Date: February 17, 2022

Members Present: Jesse Rose, Ben Taylor, Donald Morris, Gary Lovell, Travis Dixon, and Travis Freeman, Matt Urioste

Members Absent: None

Ozark Mountain School Board President, Mr. Jesse Rose called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m.

Travis Freeman made the motion to accept the minutes of the January 26, 2022 Board meeting. Ben Taylor second the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Travis Freeman made the motion to accept the minutes of the February 1, 2022 Special Session Board Meeting. Matt Urioste second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Lewis presented the Financial Report for the month ending January 31, 2022. OMSD reports an ending balance of \$4,346,847.66. This time last year, operating had a balance of \$891,000. As of January 31, 2022, operating had an ending balance of \$3,199,480.81. Mr. Lewis noted that Food Service debt is lowered by approximately \$62,000 over same time last year. This time last year, Food Service had over \$60,000.00 in debt. As of January 31, 2022, Food Service has a balance of \$2,057.46. Ben Taylor made the motion to accept the Financial Report for the month ending January 31, 2022 as presented, Donald Morris second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Lewis presented the slate of *Petition for Transfer of Students Request* for the February Board meeting and recommended that the board accept the transfer requests. Travis Freeman made the motion to accept the slate as presented, Travis Dixon second and the motion unanimously passed.

### **Transfers in To Ozark Mountain School District:**

<b><u>Student Name</u></b>	<b><u>Age</u></b>	<b><u>Resident District</u></b>	<b><u>Receiving District</u></b>
Olivia Moore	11 <sup>th</sup> grade	Valley Springs	OMSD Digital

### **Transfers out of Ozark Mountain School District:**

<b><u>Student Name</u></b>	<b><u>Age</u></b>	<b><u>Resident School</u></b>	<b><u>Receiving School</u></b>
Hannah Smith	14	Western Grove	Mt. Judea
Dalson Smith	13	Western Grove	Mt. Judea
Keira Smith	12	Western Grove	Mt. Judea
Ashlyn Smith	12	Western Grove	Mt. Judea
Eli Smith	9	Western Grove	Mt. Judea
Kylee Hannum	10	Western Grove	Harrison

**Intra-District Transfers:**

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Resident School</u>	<u>Receiving School</u>
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Next topic for discussion was the Pepsi Contract. Mr. Lewis presented a proposal from Pepsi to the Board.

- Per case \$26.47, water is \$15.70
- Commission paid every 4 weeks!
  - \$3,000 each year, adjusts if more or less purchased
  - Total purchased includes fundraisers, vending, concession
  - Vending in teacher lounge, HS only with some drinks (water, Gatorade, etc.)
  - 25% rate of commission from vending machines
  - Rebates of \$2 per case purchased
- UP FRONT \$2500
- All numbers based on 450 cases sold (LH sold 500)
- Based on these numbers, over 5 years, receive \$34,000 in revenue

Travis Freeman made the motion to accept the proposal, Ben Taylor second and the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Lewis shared a HVAC update with the Board. The Board previously approved to hire a construction manager using ESSER funds. OMSD maintenance supervisor, Ronnie Horton, met with the architect on Monday, February 14, 2022 to do a walk through at each facility and rate the HVAC units. Western Grove had four units go out in the same time period. Once results are back from the architect, OMSD would like to starting replacing some HVAC units.

Next topic for discussion was Emergency connectivity funding though E-Rate. OMSD has 50 students enrolled in the digital program. Ms. Coleman (DL Teacher) and several students have requested a laptop to replace their Chromebook, so they can see better while zooming. The total cost for 50 Toshiba laptops is \$32,300.00, but with the ECF discount of 62%, OMSD would only pay \$12,300.00. Donald Morris made the motion to purchase 50 Toshiba laptops using Federal funds, Ben Taylor second and the motion unanimously passed.

Next on the agenda was Personnel. Travis Freeman made the motion to enter Executive Session at 6:17p.m. Donald Morris second the motion, and the motion unanimously passed.

At 7:00p.m., Donald Morris made the motion to reconvene from executive session, Ben Taylor second with a unanimous vote, the meeting resumed. Mr. Lewis made the recommendation to accept the resignation of Duane Ingram, Transportation Supervisor. Ben Taylor made the motion to accept the resignation of Duane Ingram, Donald Morris second and motion unanimously passed.

**Resignation of Position:**

**Certified Employee Name**

**Position**

None

**Classified Employee Name**

**Position**

Duane Ingram

Transportation Supervisor

**New Hires:**

**Name**

**Certified Position**

None

**Name**

**Classified Position**

**Reassignment or additional Duties of Position:**

**Certified Employee Name**

**Position**

None

**Classified Employee Name**

**Position**

None

During Executive Session, the superintendent contract was discussed. Donald Morris made the motion to add an additional year to Mr. Lewis contract with a \$5,000 raise contingent upon him completing his certification by the end of August 2022. Travis Freeman second the motion and the motion passed with a 5-2 vote. Ben Taylor advised that Mr. Lewis spend more time on the campuses getting the know the staff and students. Mr. Taylor mentioned that he spoke with staff members on the St. Joe campus and staff mentioned they couldn't comment on how Mr. Lewis was doing because they never see him. Matt Urisote, Travis Freeman, Travis Dixon, and Donald Morris praised Mr. Lewis for his good work and stated they have all heard great things from staff, parents, and students. Mr. Urioste mentioned he has personally seen Mr. Lewis at the Bruno Pyatt Campus twice while he was there walking in the hallway and mingling with staff and students. Donald Morris mentioned staff members have told him that the if there is an issue that is brought to the attention of Mr. Lewis, that he gets with the Principal on which campus is needed, and the issue is resolved. He stated the Principals listen to Mr. Lewis and situations are handled.

In General Discussion, Mr. Lewis gave prom updates for each campus including: venue, date, and time. Mr. Lewis shared some improvements that are being done to the baseball field on the Bruno Pyatt campus. The baseball field will receive renovations to the score board with new Bears logo added, the bleachers and concession stand are being painted, the yellow tubing is being replaced, and the wires hanging from poles are being fixed. Next, Mr. Lewis presented the enrollment comparison report. Ben Taylor asked if OMSD would receive any funding for loss of students, to which, Mr. Lewis explained there will be funding, but not as much as you received for growth. Mr. Lewis gave an update on the new COVID quarantine information. Schools are no

longer required to quarantine close contacts, only positive cases. Board Training with Aliza Jones is scheduled for March 10, 2022 at 6 PM. ASBA is having a training for board members on March 14, 2022 from 5:50-6:30PM to update on ESSER spending. OMSD is putting together a school choice promotion video. Mr. Lewis would like to share the video to social media and the school website before Spring break. The school choice video is led by students from each campus and directed by Monique Thomas. Principal reports were also provided to the Board.

Legislative Audit was not on the agenda, but Mr. Lewis notified the Board that the audit has started.

With no other items on the Agenda, Donald Morris made the recommendation to adjourn the Regular Session February Board meeting, Travis Freeman second and the meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

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Jesse Rose, President

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Travis Freeman, Vice President

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