

Ozark Mountain School District Regular Session- Western Grove

December 16, 2024 at 6 p.m.

Board members present: Travis Freeman, Andy McCutcheon, Donald Morris, Bart Beaver, Travis Dixon, and Jason Smith

Board members absent: Allen Glidewell

- 1. Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Meeting called to order by Board President, Travis Freeman, at 6:00 p.m.
- 3. Motion made by Travis Dixon and seconded by Andy McCutcheon to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2024, regular school board meeting as presented. Motion carried.
- 4. Motion made by Andy McCutcheon and seconded by Donald Morris to approve the Financial Report ending November 30, 2024, Motion carried.
 - a. \$6,966,441.56 ending balance
 - b. CD Matures in January
- 5. Student Achievement was informational. No action taken.
 - a. Students are using the ATLAS tool every two weeks to be more familiar with testing
 - b. Admin have class walk throughs every Wednesday
 - c. The Bailey group is mentoring teachers and admin
- 6. OMSD Board went into executive session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss personnel, pre-litigation, litigation, settlement offers, contract disputes, and real property. The board reconvened at 6:27 p.m.
- 7. Motion made by Donald Morris and seconded by Bart Beaver to accept the resignation of Jamie Landry, Bruno-Pyatt Elementary teacher, effective end of FY 24-25. Motion carried.

- 8. Motion made by Andy McCutcheon and seconded by Travis Dixon to approve the classified new hires. Motion carried.
 - a. Ronnie Horton

Bus Driver

Effective January 7, 2025

b. James Williams

Paraprofessional

Effective January 7, 2025

- 9. Motion made by Donald Morris and seconded by Jason Smith to approve the slate of Petition for Transfer of Students. Motion Carried
- 10. Motion made by Bart Beaver and seconded by Donald Morris to have Mr. Lewis be the negotiator regarding the AR DOT right of way on the Western Grove/OMHS campus. Motion carried.
- 11. Motion made by Andy McCutcheon and seconded by Jason Smith to approve the E-Rate funding for FY 25. Motion carried.
- 12. Grants Received- informational
 - a. Professional Learning Grant- \$18,000
 - b. McKinney-Vento Homeless mini-grant \$15,000
 - c. High Impact Tutoring- \$28,234
- 13. Bruno Pyatt Elementary key points as follows:
 - a. Mr. Lewis shared a copy of the letter and survey that was sent to parent/guardians regarding the funding situation at Bruno-Pyatt. The survey questioned whether parents would leave their child in the district if the Bruno-Pyatt campus was to close. Out of the 29 students, 15 will stay, 10 said they will leave, and four are undecided.
 - b. Operating at approximately a \$436,000 deficit
 - c. Send out Kindergarten registration information to get an idea of how many will enroll

Motion was made by Donald Morris and seconded by Andy McCutcheon to table the decision regarding the future of BPES until after Kindergarten Registration and all members are present. Motion carried.

- 14. General Discussion
 - a. Enrollment- 488
 - b. Bid on 2A regional and state baseball/softball with Harrison Parks and Rec. Will receive 5% of gate
 - c. Legislative update
 - d. January Board Meeting Date- January 23, 2025 at Bruno-Pyatt

15. Motion made at 7:16 pm Andy McCutcheon and seconded by Jason Smith to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.	
Board President, Travis Freeman	Board Secretary, Travis Dixon