

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MOUNTAIN HOME BOARD OF EDUCATION**

January 19, 2012

The following members of the Board were present for the meeting: Robert Nelson, Jason Schmeski, Doug VanDolah, Lisa House, Ben Strider, Neal Pendergrass and Steve Bergman. Administrators, media and other guests were also present. Mr. Schmeski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mountain Home High School yearbook staff students, Katy Strider and Carly Dibble led in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Strider made the motion, seconded by Mr. Van Dolah to approve the agenda as printed.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Strider made the motion, seconded by Mrs. House to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2011, December 15, 2011 and January 11, 2012 board meetings.

The motion was unanimously approved.

RECOGNITIONS – ARKANSAS SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

Ms. Jennifer Crawford and her journalism students, Katy Strider and Carly Dibble read positive notes from the interviews of the board members.

Ms. Sandra Hitt's High School Choir students performed a song for the board, the students were: Jordan Thrasher, Michael Lee, Kevin Conley, Kiefer Pace, Raven Brannon, Whitney Burkhart, Eden Cousins, Kali Hostetler, Holly Shook and Jessica Dutton.

Ms. Karen Maupin's High School theatre students performed a choral reading; seniors- David Francis, Miranda Greenway, and Shannon Davis and juniors- Annie Sykes, Lauren Strider, Brooke Hasselwander, and Amy Smith. The performances were in recognition of Arkansas school board appreciation month.

Dr. Gigliotti introduced Darla Deatherage as the presenter of Using Data to Drive Decisions: Student Success Story. The complete power point has been made part of the official minutes. Mr. Strider thanked Darla and her group.

REPORTS

Financial Reports– Ann Harned

Ms. Ann Harned, Business Manager, referred Board members to page IIA for the Statement of Changes in Fund Balance for the month ending December 31, 2011. We ended the month with total fund balances of \$10,137,355.34.

Ms. Harned went over the page on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance (IIA1) for the month ended December 31, 2011. The total current revenues and incoming transfers is \$3,910,439.35. The total current expenditures and outgoing transfers is \$4,283,136.40.

Ms. Harned went over the Statement of Changes in Activity Funds and the Summary of Bond Issue Activity.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Textbook Committee Selection – Dr. Leigh Anne Gigliotti

Dr. Gigliotti said in order for the District to be in compliance with the law each district must appoint an official textbook committee to make the recommendations of textbook selections for this year's adoption. This school year the cycle for adoption includes Mathematics and Computer Science. Dr. Gigliotti recommended committee members that are serving on this year's curriculum committee be appointed as the official textbook committee for the District. They are: Martha Wedgeworth, Darla Deatherage, Cathleen Roberson, Darrah Pitchford, Sharon Dibble, Becca Martin, Dixie Mahmud, David Martin, Kristi Nelson, Lavon Fairchild, Chris White, Melinda Ellington, Shelly Jones, Carol Wegerer, Patty Marion and Leigh Anne Gigliotti.

Motion to Approve Textbook Committee

Mr. Pendergrass made a motion to approve the textbook committee members as listed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution for Local Support of 2012 Facilities Master Plan and 2013-2015 Partnership Program- Wes Henderson

Wes Henderson reported that the State of Arkansas mandates the creation of a Facilities Master Plan for school districts. He is recommending that the board sign the resolution in support of the district master plan that will be submitted on or before February 1, 2012.

Motion to Approve the Resolution in Support of the master plan

Ms. House made a motion to approve the resolution as reported by Wes Henderson. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bergman.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Recommendation to purchase 3.5 acre property at 1439 South College- Dr. Lonnie Myers

Dr. Myers recommended the purchase of the 3.5 acres at 1439 South College Street in Mountain Home at a price not to exceed \$207,500 plus appropriate closing costs, from the District's Future Building Needs Fund.

Motion to Approve the purchase of the 3.5 acre property at 1439 South College Street

Mr. Strider made a motion to approve the purchase of the 3.5 acre property at 1439 South College Street. The motion was seconded by Mr. VanDolah.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Superintendent's Update and Board Discussion

Dr. Myers stated that January had been declared by Governor Mike Beebe, as Arkansas School Board Appreciation Month. In keeping with the Governor's declaration, Mayor David Osmon proclaimed January 19, 2012 as the Mountain Home School Board Appreciation Day. Dr. Myers read the proclamation to the Board. A copy of this proclamation has been made part of the official minutes.

Dr. Myers spoke of possible dates for the next board training session, April 28th or May 4th and 5th. He instructed the board to let the office know which weekend is better for their schedules.

A break was taken at 7:03 p.m.

Executive Session Results – 9:15 p.m.

Recommendation on Classified Staff

Dr. Myers recommended that the Board approve the recommendations for resignation and transfer on the classified staff sheet.

Motion on Classified Staff Sheet

Mr. Nelson made the motion to approve the recommendations on the classified staff sheet as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bergman

The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion on Stipends

Mr. Strider made a motion to approve the recommendations for stipends as listed on the Stipend/Activity sheet. The motion was seconded by Mr. VanDolah.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Extension of Superintendent Contract

Mr. Pendergrass made the motion seconded by Mr. Strider to extend the contract for Dr. Myers, Superintendent, for an additional year. Approval of this motion will extend Dr. Myers contract to the end of the 2013-14 school year.

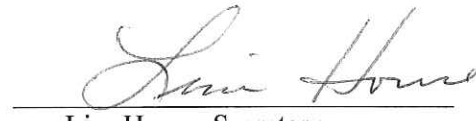
The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.



Jason Schmeski, President



Lisa House, Secretary