

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

September 19, 2013

The following members of the Board were present for the meeting: Robert Nelson, Jason Schmeski, 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

Mr. Schmeski recognized Ms. Vanessa Thomas who introduced Ms. Crecelius' class who lead the pledge: Michaelle Millard, Eli Franks, Alex Bowden, Barrett Miller, Makenzie Gaines, Jax Wescoat, Jackson Corp, Ian Reyes, Zachary Padgett, and Avery Gilley.

ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT

Dr. Myers asked for nominations for President of the Mountain Home School Board for the 2013-2014 school year. Ms. Lisa House nominated Mr. Ben Strider to serve as president. There were no other nominations. Mr. Bergman seconded the nomination. Mr. Strider was elected President by a unanimous vote.

ELECTION OF 2013-2014 OFFICERS

Mr. Strider asked for nominations for Vice-President. Mr. Bergman nominated Ms. Lisa House as Vice President. There were no other nominations for the position. Mr. Nelson seconded the nomination. Ms. House was elected Vice-President by unanimous vote.

Mr. Strider asked for nominations for Board Secretary. Mr. Nelson nominated Mr. Steve Bergman for the position of Board Secretary. Mr. Pendergrass seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations and Mr. Bergman was elected Board Secretary by unanimous vote.

BOARD MEMBERS APPOINTED TO COMMITTEES

Mr. Strider, as President, appointed the Board members to serve as representatives on the various committees of the Mountain Home School District for the 2013-2014 school year.

Mr. Schmeski – PPC – (Certified Personnel Policy Committee)
Mr. Bergman – T.A.C. – (Teacher Advisory Committee)
Mr. Wehmeyer – P.I.E. – (Partners In Education)
Ms. House – Technology Committee
Mr. Nelson – Curriculum Committee
Mr. Pendergrass – CPPC – (Classified Personnel Policy Committee)
Mr. Strider – Finance Committee

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Bergman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schmeski to approve the agenda and the minutes of the August 15th, August 22nd, September 4th and September 12th meetings.

The motion was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Schmeski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pendergrass, to approve the minutes of the board meetings held on August 15th, August 22nd, September 4th and September 12th, 2013

POSITIVE NOTES- as read

RECOGNITIONS

Wes Henderson introduced the new employees to the district this year.

REPORTS

Financial Reports– Ann Harned

Ms. Harned went over the page on Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance for the month ended August 31, 2013 with total fund balances of \$6,869,088.99 and total current expenditures and outgoing transfers of \$3,613,801.88.

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

Enrollment- as printed

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Related Party Transactions – Ann Harned

Arkansas Act 1599 requires each school district to make known to the public any potential transactions with related parties. The state imposes tighter restrictions on administrators and board members than it does on employees of the district. Some of our employees, administrators and board members qualify as related parties. Ms. Harned recommended that the Board approve a resolution to do business with vendors that have related interest to board members.

Related party disclosure for 62 East Auto – Ms. Harned

Ms. Harned recommended the Board approve a resolution to do business with 62 East Auto. Related board member, Mr. Jason Schmeski, stepped out of the room during the vote.

Motion to do business with 62 East Auto

Mr. Nelson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bergman to approve a resolution to do business with 62 East Auto.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Related party disclosure for Strider Consulting - Ms. Harned

Ms. Harned recommended the Board approve a resolution to do business with Strider Consulting. Related board member, Mr. Ben Strider, stepped out of the room during the vote.

Motion to do business with Strider Consulting

Mr. Bergman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Pendergrass, to approve a resolution to do business with Strider Consulting.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Related party disclosure for First Security Bank – Ms. Harned

Ms. Harned asked for the approval from the Board to do business with First Security Bank. The related board member is Mr. Robert Nelson. Mr. Nelson stepped out of the room during the vote.

Motion to do business with First Security Bank

The motion was made by Mr. Schmeski and seconded by Mr. Bergman to do business with First Security Bank.

The motion carried unanimously.

Related party disclosure for General Water Conditioning – Ms. Harned

Ms. Harned asked for the approval from the Board to do business with General Water Conditioning. The related board member is Ms. Lisa House. Ms. House stepped out of the room during the vote.

Motion to do business with General Water Conditioning

The motion was made by Mr. Bergman and seconded by Mr. Nelson to do business with General Water Conditioning.

The motion carried unanimously.

Other related party disclosures – Ms. Harned

Ms. Harned stated that the full board action could be taken on the remaining vendor list. She recommended that the Board approve the remaining vendors having related party interest to employees of the district.

Motion to do business with other vendors as listed

Mr. Pendergrass made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schmeski to approve a resolution to do business with the vendor listed as a related party to all other employees of the District.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Recommendation to adopt the budget for the 2013-2014 school year- Ann Harned

Ms. Harned addressed the board and asked if there were any questions about the budget, since the board had their budget work session there were no questions. She recommended the adoption of the 2013-2014 budget for all funds excluding activity funds.

Motion to accept the budget for 2013-2014 school year

Mr. Schmeski made the motion, seconded Mr. Nelson to adopt the budget for 2013-2014 school year.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Superintendent's Update – Dr. Lonnie Myers

Dr. Myers thanked Jason Schmeski for his service as board president.

A break was taken at 6:45 p.m.

Executive Session Results – 8:00 p.m.

Recommendation on Classified Staff – Dr. Lonnie Myers

Dr. Myers recommended that the Board approve the recommendations of the classified staff as listed on the classified staff sheet.

Motion on Classified Staff

Mr. Pendergrass made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nelson, to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the recommendations as listed on classified staff sheet.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Recommendation on Stipends- Dr. Lonnie Myers

Dr. Myers recommended that the Board approve the recommendations of the stipends as listed on the stipend sheet.

Ms. House made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schmeski, to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the recommendations as listed on the stipend sheet.

The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Nelson made the motion to adjourn; the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Ben Strider, President

Steve Bergman, Secretary