

**CHARLESTON BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 22, 2024**

The Charleston Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, April 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Members present were: Mr. Jeff Hayes, Mr. Chad Keener, Mrs. Lauren Robinson, Mrs. Michele Schmitz, and Mr. Brian Verkamp. Also present were Mrs. Melissa Moore, Superintendent; Mr. Shane Storey, High School Principal; Mrs. Rachel Fisher, Middle School Principal; Mr. Bruce Womack, Elementary School Principal; Mrs. Angie Haney, Federal Coordinator and Curriculum Specialist; Mrs. Rita Gramlich, District Treasurer, and Mr. Josh Underwood.

Mr. Brain Verkamp established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m..

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mrs. Lauren Robinson to approve the consent agenda as listed. Motion carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the March 25, 2024 Special Minutes
- B. Approval of the Period 9 2024 Financial Statements
- C. School Choice Applications:
  - a. Persephone Rushing, From Booneville to Charleston
  - b. Ally Foster, From County Line To Charleston
  - c. Maia Foster, From County Line To Charleston
  - d. William Fritche, From County Line to Charleston
  - e. Ayden Hudson, From County Line to Charleston
  - f. Ethan Johnson, From County Line to Charleston
  - g. Cooper Little, From County Line to Charleston
  - h. Parker French, From County Line To Charleston
  - i. Hayden Young, From County Line to Charleston
  - j. Jake Smith, From Charleston To County Line
  - k. Justin Smith, From Charleston To County Line
  - l. Cooper Davis, From Charleston To County Line
  - m. Shaylynn Taylor, From Charleston To Greenwood
  - n. Kinsley Walker, From Greenwood To Charleston
  - o. Robert Davidson, From Lavaca To Charleston
  - p. Hunter Balance, From Lavaca To Charleston
  - q. Madden Webster, From Lavaca To Charleston

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to approve the School Choice Capacity Resolution as presented. A copy of the resolution is attached to the original board minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported that 2024-2025 schedules represent no salary changes at this time. A motion was made by Mrs. Lauren Robinson and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to approve the 2024-25 Classified and Certified Salary Schedules as presented. Motion carried 5-0. A copy of the Certified and Classified Salary Schedules are attached to the original board minutes.

Mr. Chad Keener excused himself from the meeting area.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mrs. Lauren Robinson to approve the disclosure, resolution and employment of Lacey Keener, Certified Teacher, per the current Certified Salary Schedule. A copy of the disclosure and resolution is attached to the original board minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lauren Robinson and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to approve the disclosure, resolution and employment of Logan Keener, Certified Teacher and Bus driver, per the current Certified and Classified Salary schedules. A copy of the disclosure and resolution is attached to the original board minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Chad Keener returned to the meeting area.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to approve employment of certified and classified staff as listed. Motion carried 5-0. A copy of the staff list is attached to the original board minutes.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported that the district must maintain its Simmons Money Market Bank Account at \$510,000 to avoid banking fees. A motion was made by Mrs. Lauren Robinson and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to approve investing 1.5 million in a Simmons Bank 6-Month Certificate of Deposit at the current interest rate of 4.5%, with the balance of the Simmons Money Market Account to sweep nightly at Simmons' variable rate. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Angie Haney presented the 11<sup>th</sup> Grade ACT Score data report.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported the following information:

- A. Baseball and Softball Regional Tournaments, Harrison
- B. Baseball State Tournament, Hot Springs
- C. Softball State Tournament, Prescott
- D. Kindergarten Graduation, May 16
- E. High School Graduation, May 17
- F. Last Day of School, May 23
- G. Summer Maintenance and Waxing

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mrs. Lauren Robinson to accept the resignation of Carrie Salgado, Speech Pathologist, effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lauren Robinson and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to accept the resignation of Brittany Wilson, Paraprofessional, effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to employ Raegan Oldridge, Certified Teacher, for the 2024-25 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to employ Anna Hudson, Certified Teacher, for the 2024-25 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mrs. Lauren Robinson to employ Keely Goddard, Paraprofessional, for the 2024-25 school year, based on 180 days worked, \$16,323. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lauren Robinson and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to employ Jacqueline Crotts, Long-term Substitute Teacher, retro effective to April 10, 2024, with compensation of a beginning teacher per district policy. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to employ Shae Angel, Certified Teacher, for the 2024-25 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Lauren Robinson to adjourn at 7:33 p.m.. Motion carried 5-0.

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President

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Secretary