

**CHARLESTON BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**August 24, 2020**

The Charleston Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building. Members present were: Mr. Brian Verkamp, Mr. Jeff Hayes, Mrs. Michele Schmitz and Mr. Chad Keener. Mrs. Lacey Parker joined the meeting via telephone conference and in person. Also present were Mrs. Melissa Moore, Superintendent; Mr. Shane Storey, High School Principal; Mr. Alan Anderson, Middle School Principal; Mr. Bruce Womack, Elementary School Principal; Mrs. Susan Brown, Federal Coordinator and Curriculum Specialist; Mrs. Rita Gramlich, District Treasurer, and Mr. Michael Dobbs.

Mr. Brian Verkamp established a quorum by verbal roll call and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Mrs. Lacey Parker joining the meeting initially via telephone conference.

Mr. Michael Dobbs, First Security Beardsley, discussed the option for bond refinance. A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to submit an application for a permit to issue bonds with related documents for 1,030,000 in refunding bonds to the State Department of Education and to employ First Security Beardsley as Fiscal Agent, and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to accept or reject the best bid submitted in connection with the public sale of the proposed bonds in consultation with the fiscal agent. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to approve the consent agenda as listed. Motion carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the July 27, 2020 regular board minutes
- B. Approval to the August 11, 2020 special board minutes
- C. Approval of the Period 1 2021 Financial Statements
- D. Approval to transfer Addison Whitson from Ozark to Charleston
- E. Approval to transfer Aubree Neblick from Charleston to County Line
- F. Approval to transfer Kaleigha Wiedeman from Charleston to Paris
- G. Approval to transfer Taylor Lile from Lavaca to Charleston
- H. Approval of the 2020-21 Statement of Assurance

Mrs. Melissa Moore provided an update regarding the Activity Center at this time.

Mrs. Melissa Moore provided an update regarding the Elementary and Kindergarten Electrical and Sprinkler Project. Information regarding reimbursement of Partnership Funding was also discussed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to approve the district's Ready for Learning Plan as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

In accordance with Act 1120, a motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to approve the "Resolution with the attached Spreadsheet" as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to approve the classified salary schedule as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported the district is required to post to its website current personnel policies and salary schedules no later than September 15, and she requested the board president's signature on the signature pages regarding previously board approved policies and certified salary schedule.

Mrs. Lacey Parker joined the meeting in-person.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to transfer \$300,000 from Fund 2001 Operating Fund to 3003 Building Fund. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported as of August 24, 2020 there are 825 students enrolled.

The 2020-21 Fiscal Budget was discussed.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Parker and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to approve the classified and certified COVID Emergency Leave policies. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported information regarding team sports, upcoming Annual Report to the Public, and board professional development opportunities.

A motion as made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to approve the Angie Haney Ethics Disclosure and Resolution as presented. Motion carried 5-0. A copy of the Disclosure and Resolution is attached to the original board minutes.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to add 1/7 compensation to the 2020-21 contract of Angie Haney, Building Level Technology Coordinator, contingent upon the approval of the Arkansas Department of Education Commissioner. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to add 1/7 compensation to the 2020-21 contract of Amy Womack, Building Level Technology Coordinator. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Parker and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to

employ Vonda Hudson, Long Term Substitute, based on \$75 per day worked, (non-contract position). Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to compensate personnel \$50 per session for the Elementary After School Care Program (non-contract positions). Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Parker and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.. Motion carried 5-0.

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President

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Secretary