

**CHARLESTON BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**May 24, 2021**

The Charleston Board of Education met in regular session on May 24, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building. Members present were: Mr. Jeff Hayes, Mrs. Lacey Hewitt, Mr. Chad Keener, Mrs. Michele Schmitz, and Mr. Brian Verkamp. Also present were Mrs. Melissa Moore, Superintendent; Mrs. Susan Brown, Federal Coordinator and Curriculum Specialist, and Mrs. Rita Gramlich, District Treasurer.

Mr. Brian 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. Lacey Hewitt to approve the consent agenda as listed. Motion carried 5-0.

I. Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of the April 26, 2021 Regular Minutes
- B. Approval of the Period 10 2021 Financial Statement
- C. Approval of 2021-22 School Choice Applications:
  - i. B. McClure from Charleston to Booneville
  - ii. Oliver McMakin from Booneville to Charleston
  - iii. Blakely Porter from Booneville to Charleston
  - iv. Dylan Richmond from Booneville to Charleston
  - v. Lucas Richmond from Booneville to Charleston
  - vi. Sawyer Richmond from Booneville to Charleston
  
  - vii. Oliva Carter from County Line to Charleston
  - viii. Amelia Clayton from County Line to Charleston
  - ix. Kora Belle Kirchner from County Line to Charleston
  - x. James Buffington from Charleston to County Line
  - xi. Coralie Percifield from Charleston to County Line
  - xii. Brooklyn Reed from Charleston to County Line
  - xiii. Elizabeth Wilkinson from Charleston to County Line
  - xiv. Remington Winston from Charleston to County Line
  
  - xv. Braylon Fugate from Lavaca to Charleston
  - xvi. Baylee Jones from Lavaca to Charleston
  - xvii. Matteo Simmons from Lavaca to Charleston
  - xviii. Perry Humphrey from Charleston to Lavaca
  
  - xix. B.A. Glass from Fort Smith to Charleston
  
  - xx. Brex Bruso from Charleston to Greenwood

A motion was made by Mrs. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt to establish regular meetings located at the Dale Bumpers Fine Arts Building at 6:00 p.m on the fourth

Monday of each month with Mr. Brian Verkamp serving as board president, Mr. Jeff Hayes serving as vice-president, and Mrs. Michele Schmitz serving as secretary. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to approve the 2021-22 Special Education Application and Related Services, Assurances, and Agreements as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Melissa Moore provided information regarding the Succeed Scholarship. The Succeed Scholarship will be an agenda item next month.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to approve the McGraw Hill quote for the sum of \$9,849.42 plus shipping and handling for reading textbooks as listed. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to approve the Istation quote for the sum of \$18,200.16 for a 3-year subscription as listed. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to approve the quotations from CDWG to purchase chromebooks as listed for a total sum of \$39,353.85. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Melissa Moore explained the district's plan to add an additional high school lab equipped with Windows Operating System computers. A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to approve the quote from Revive IT for the sum of \$9,997 plus applicable taxes, shipping and handling. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to approve the Additional Pay Plan For Additional Duties During COVID-19, and approve the compensation for all staff as specifically referenced in the plan. Motion carried 5-0. A copy of the Plan is attached to original board minutes.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported that the district advertised and accepted sealed bids for lawn care. A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to accept the bid from Mason Wisdom for the sum of \$15,900, and approve the Resolution and Contract Disclosure. Motion carried 5-0. Copies of the bids, resolution, and disclosure are attached to the original board minutes.

Mrs. Melissa Moore reported information as listed:

- A. Charleston Express Article and AP Participation
- B. Legislative Session
- C. SR Cheer Out-of-State Trip
- D. American Rescue Plan Public Input

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt to add .0669 Adjunct Professor stipend to the 2021-2022 contract of Carole Terry. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt to accept the resignation of Marsha Pippin, Certified Teacher (5<sup>th</sup> Grade), effective at the end of the 2020-21 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lacey Hewitt and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to reassign Elizabeth Booher from the position of paraprofessional to Certified Teacher (5<sup>th</sup> Grade) for the 2021-22 school year, per the certified salary schedule. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Jeff Hayes and seconded by Mr. Chad Keener to employ Whitney Bowen, Special Education Paraprofessional, for the 2021-22 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Michele Schmitz and seconded by Mr. Jeff Hayes to employ Nickolle Karns, Registered Nurse, for the 2021-22 school year, with compensation based on the base of the certified salary schedule. Motion carried 5-0.

A motion was made by Mr. Chad Keener and seconded by Mrs. Michele Schmitz to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.. Motion carried 5-0.

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President

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Secretary