

WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Webster County Board of Education held its regular scheduled meeting on September 14, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Linda Rogers, Mrs. Mary Hinman, Mr. Donald Brown, Mr. Tim Matthews, Mr. Jimmie Johnson, and Mrs. Janie S. Downer were present.

Mrs. Linda Rogers called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Linda Rogers gave the invocation.

Mrs. Linda Rogers recognized visitors.

The tentative agenda was approved by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The July 2020 financial report was approved by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The August 10, 2020 regular meeting minutes were approved by a motion made by Mr. Tim Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The amendment of the Wellness Policy EEE was approved by a motion made by Mr. Jimmy Johnson, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Five-Year History was approved by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the millage rate at 16.959 (remaining the same) by a motion made by Mr. Tim Matthews, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the bond debt at .508 (remaining the same) by a motion made by Mr. Tim Matthews, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to purchase partitions for computers (\$6000 Cares Act Funding) by a motion made by Mr. Jimmy Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to purchase a new school bus in the amount of \$93,823.62 per allotment sheet enclosed--\$77,220.00 State Funding, \$16,603.62 Local Funding--by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously. (2020 Thomas Built Bus)

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to compensate Mr. James McCullough for each grass cutting in the amount of \$250 for front school property and \$100 for back school property by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to hire Ms. Zipporah Horton as a volunteer substitute teacher--military duties beginning 2020-2021 school year by a motion made by Mr. Tim Matthews, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously. (Pending Completion of Background Check)

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to contract with Ms. Linda Azain as the Nutrition Review Consultant for the 2020-2021 school year by a motion made by Mr. Tim Matthews, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously. (Pending Completion of Background Check)

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent for Ms. Robin Vick to work in the lunchroom beginning 2020-2021 school year by a motion made by Mr. Tim Matthews, seconded by Mr. Donald Brown. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to accept the resignation of Mrs. Gloria Johnson as a paraprofessional effective 8/28/2020 by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mrs. Mary Hinman. The motion was approved 4-1, with Mrs. Linda Rogers, Mrs. Mary Hinman, Mr. Donald Brown, and Mr. Tim Matthews voting for the motion; Mr. Jimmy Johnson abstained.

The Board approved the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Mrs. Clarice Prather's maternity leave from 8/28/2020 to 11/3/2020 by a motion made by Mrs. Mary Hinman, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Johnson. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mrs. Downer presented the Superintendent's report, Title I report (No Change but Mrs. Swain has been collecting sanitizing donations from different sources), and CTAE report (No Change but Dr. Ingram has been monitoring teachers and students in Google classroom learning). Mrs. Downer highlighted on the Superintendent's report. She stated that so far, beginning of school year is very good; many students are changing from remote learning to in-person learning (Sept. 15th deadline to do so); receiving sanitizing materials from community members, water bottles from Triple H Restaurant, book bags and elementary students' desk organizers from Interfor, and handmade face masks from Preston Baptist WMU; guidance for student attendance and virtual learning has been provided; sports' conditioning has resumed with GHSA guidelines followed; some athletes have expressed interest in forming a GHSA H.S. fishing team, the new Milestone testing law (SB 367) is in effect; U.S. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos has indicated that GA will not be receiving a waiver to eliminate Milestone testing in the Spring; and the school's cafeteria has received a score of 100 from the health inspector who completed a bi-annual inspection at the beginning of the school year. Special Education report (Mrs. Ellis commented No Change but has been constructing for students' desk partitions).

The meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Mr. Donald Brown, seconded by Mr. Jimmie Johnson. The motion was carried unanimously.

Time Adjourned: 6:36 p.m.
Prepared By: Regina T. Dotts
Approved: 10/12/2020