

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOLS

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board President James Gore called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria. The following Board Members were present: James Gore, Jordan Collins, Stonie Croy, Ben Thies, Johnathan Collins, JoEllen Carter and John Walker. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Richard Sullivan, High School Principal Jon McKinney, Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, SpEd Director Danielle Sullivan, Network Administrator Bill Lewis, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer and Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, staff members Jordan Penn, Kristen McCormic, April VanWinkle, and Dawn Hood. Also present were Olivia Price (OPAA), Wendy Carter, James Carter, Jan Scott and Doug Scott.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sullivan said so much has happened with our Country since our last meeting. Governor Parson has extended Phase 1 until June 15<sup>th</sup>. Our student materials have been collected for the summer and our athletic programs have resumed doing some conditioning with precautions in place. We have started summer school with precautions in place. Dr. Sullivan said we are still serving breakfast and lunch to approximately 350 kids per day. Multiple options have been explored to hold Graduation Ceremonies for our seniors and kindergarten class. Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill was down \$1,990.71 from last year. Bills were discussed.

Approval of Minutes/Bills

The Board approved the April 9, 2020, April 16, 2020 and April 23, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes. Bills were approved as presented.

New Business

Jordan Penn discussed Summer Sports Activities and what measures would be taken with COVID 19 guidelines. Project Graduation use of buses was approved by the Board. Dr. Sullivan discussed the June 2, 2020 Ballot issue. The Board approved the Professional Development Plan Program Evaluation, Comprehensive School Improvement Plan, Parents as Teachers Program Evaluation, and ECSE Program

Evaluation. The Board approved the Health Services Program Evaluation, Health Plan, Elementary Student Handbook, Middle School Student Handbook, High School Student Handbook, Elementary Sports/Activities Handbook and Middle School/High School Activities/Athletic Handbook. The Board approved the A+ Student Certification List, A+ Partnership Plan, and the A+ Program Evaluation. The Board approved to set Food Service prices for Fiscal 2021, Student full price breakfast \$1.10, student reduced price breakfast \$.30, student lunch full price \$1.50, student reduced price lunch \$.40, adult breakfast \$2.50 and for adult lunch \$3.50. The Board appointed the Elementary Counselor as LEP/ELL/ESOL Coordinator and High School Counselor as Homeless/Migrant Coordinator. The Board adopted the Special Education Assurance and the Federal Programs Assurance. The Board approved the purge of Technology obsolete/end of life items, disposal of bus #8, (VIN 4UZAAXCT77CX15538) to meet the grant criteria and the transfer of \$8,899.90 from Fund 1 to Fund 4. The Board accepted resignations from Janet Hampton as Paraprofessional and Laura Powell as High School Teacher. The Board accepted Dr. Sullivan's recommendation to eliminate the High School/Social Studies position and to hold High School Graduation at the Black River Coliseum in Poplar Bluff. Kindergarten Graduation was discussed. Board re-organization meeting will be on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria.

#### Staff/Committee Reports

Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey reported that she has started summer school with 59 students. She said it has been a lot of work getting everything ready with all the new guidelines. She said the kids were happy to be back in school. Network Administrator Bill Lewis said he has been in contact with HPE and has received \$14,000 for outside wireless equipment to install in the parking lot so students can have access for distant learning. Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick said our new Curriculum Director, Jesse Cupp, has been having meetings and working with all of the Administration. She said she wanted to brag on Mr. Cupp for getting started on Curriculum before he is even scheduled to be here. High School Principal Jon McKinney talked about the FFA and their Superior Rating. He said we are 1 of 32 schools in the State of Missouri's 340 chapters to receive the Superior Rating. Mr. McKinney said we have 1 student who is in a partnership with John Deere this year.

The Board moved to enter into Executive session in accordance with Public Law, Section 610:21 items 3, 13 and 14 for a closed meeting to the extent authorized by law at 7:59 p.m.

#### Executive Session

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President James Gore at 8:17 p.m. in the Elementary Library. Executive minutes for April 9, 2020, April 16, 2020 and April 23, 2020 were approved. The Board approved the employment of staff for summer school 2020. The Board approved Michelle Williams as Critical Shortage High School Math Teacher and Hattie Shepherd as High School ELA Teacher. The Board approved to hire Jon McKinney as A+ Coordinator and Transportation Director and Theresa Kearbey as Summer School Director and Lisa Saffle will remain as an 11-month secretary. The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 p.m.