

EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II SCHOOLS

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EAST CARTER COUNTY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION

OCTOBER 24, 2019

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board President James Gore called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the East Carter County R-II Elementary Cafeteria. The following Board members were present: James Gore, Ben Thies, Johnathan Collins, JoEllen Carter and John Walker. Board Members Jordan Collins and Stonie Croy were not in attendance. 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 Director Bill Lewis, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer and Board Secretary Kathey Dalton. Also present were Ryan Alexander, Jordan Penn, Christy Moore, Teresa Kearbey, Rae Jean Roach, Angela Pence, Kelly Saffle, Norma Enochs, Tasha Thies, Susie Fann, Sally Stahl, Jan Scott, Doug Scott, Betsy Scott, Kandence Reynolds, Makenna Moore, Angelina Pruett, Abigail Dinsmore, Cassidy Sullivan, Madison Farris, Korra Wilson, Payton Dobbs, Jaci Douglas, Grace Epperson, Audrey Carter, Payton Golden, Kennedy Thies, Kaydee Owen, Paytin Gholson, and Kaytlin Gholson.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Sullivan said the electric bill was down \$360.54 from October of last year. This is still the highest the bill has been since October of last year. Dr. Sullivan said the Middle School is playing in the BRL tournament which we are hosting here at East Carter and the Cross Country team will compete in Dexter. The high school softball team is having a great season and will play Quarter finals against Elsberry, High School cheerleaders are competing in Regional Competition at St. Francis Borgia (Washington, Mo). Dr. Sullivan said that as reported by St. Louis National Public Radio, the State Board of Education would like to see more counselors in Missouri Public Schools. They are considering changing the required 400:1 student to counselor ratio to 250 students per counselor. Bills were discussed.

MINUTES/BILLS

The Board approved the September 19, 2019 Regular Board Minutes and bills were approved for payment.

NEW BUSINESS

JoEllen Carter talked about the Annual MSBA meeting she attended in September. Dr. Sullivan updated the Board on the architectural progress and talked about the ACT scores and the areas of school improvement. The Board approved the donation of \$1,250 to the City Ball park, approved the JAG conference trip to Washington, D.C. for Nation Student Leadership Academy in November with all expenses reimbursable through JAG funding, Senior Beta overnight trip with the district paying for Beta Registration of \$20 per person for both members and chaperones, rooms and meals for chaperones and the bus driver and fuel necessary for the trip. The Board approved the Cross Country State Competition at Districts if we qualify, with the District providing the bus and driver, meals for both coaches as well as 18 student athletes for Friday night, 8 hotel rooms for coaches and student athletes, Softball State Competition with the district paying for rooms, bus fuel and driver's cost for the trip, approve the Cheerleaders to compete in the 2019 MCCA State Cheerleading competition with permission to stay overnight with the district providing bus and driver and funds for 6 hotel rooms on November 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The Board approved the location for Prom to be at the Westwood Center in Poplar Bluff on Saturday, March 7, 2020. Network Director Bill Lewis discussed our wireless network access procedures, the Board ask about cost of a cell repeater. The Board approved that we pay each teacher who uses their preparation period to cover another teacher's class a rate of \$10 stipend for each event beginning as of November 1, 2019, and we pay each teacher who participates in an administrator approved after school training a \$20/hour stipend for each event as of November 1, 2019. The Board approved the Professional Development Program Evaluation, Library Media Resources Program Evaluation, ESOL/ELL Program Evaluation, Title 1 Parent Involvement Plan Program Evaluation, Federal Programs Title 2 Program Evaluation and the Federal Programs Title 5 Program Evaluation. The Board approved Policy IGBCA- Programs for Homeless Students, IGBCB-Programs for Migrant Students, Policy IG BCE-Programs for Foster Care Students and Policy IG BCH-Programs for English Learners. The Board set the November Board Meeting to Thursday, November 21, 2019 and to set the December Board Meeting to Thursday, December 19, 2019.

#### STAFF/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Danielle Sullivan talked about an article in the newspaper that featured staff member Leanna Waller and the Summer Program she is involved with. Mrs. Sullivan said the Susan Vause and Dustie Collins did a great job at parent teacher conference and thanked the sponsors for their generous donation. Bill Lewis discussed all the recent technology updates that he has finalized in the past recent months. JoEllen Carter stated that this year will be the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Thanksgiving meal which will be served at the FEMA building. Mr. Carter said that 199 meals were served last year. Theresa Kearbey said that 2 middle school teachers have applied and received a Stem Grant in the amount of \$10,000. Mrs. Kearbey said that 42 school received this grant, she said staff and students will have their picture taken with items purchased with the Grant. Mrs. Kearbey said that Cross Country team is doing well and we will be hosting the BRL tournament. The MAP rewards will be given to students in the High School gym. Mrs. Kearbey said that 2 students were given tickets to a Mizzou football game by Ozark Border and they have gone out of their way to make sure the students chosen could attend. Jon McKinney said that a lot is going on at the High School including a job fair and Mrs. VanWinkle helping with FASFA forms. Mr. McKinney said the FFA served lunch to the Carter County Farm Bureau and Angela Pence and Ryan Alexander attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> year teacher conference. Mr. McKinney said the Highway Patrol did a surprise inspection on 6 of our buses and all 6 passed with no problems. Mr. McKinney said the

Highway Patrol returned and presented Shane Robertson a certificate that allows him to inspect buses. Mr. McKinney said that the new license plates have been installed on our buses.

The Board moved to enter into Executive session in accordance with Public Law, Section 610:21 items 1,3,11,13 and 14 for a closed meeting to the extent authorized by law. Meeting recessed at 8:29 p.m.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President James Gore at 8:48 p.m. in the Superintendent's office. The agenda was approved as presented. Executive Board minutes from September 19, 2019 was approved. The Board approved Don Carter, Hailey Hahn, Kristen McCormic and Tom Chaligoj as substitute teachers. The meeting was adjourned at 10:49 p.m.