

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 Ben Thies called the meeting to order at 6:30 in the East Carter Elementary Cafeteria. The following Board Members were present: Ben Thies, Jordan Collins, Stonie Croy, Johnathan Collins, Becky Fischer and JoEllen Carter. John Walker was not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Sullivan, High School Principal Jon McKinney, Middle School Principal Theresa Kearbey, Elementary Principal Kacie Kendrick, SpEd Director Veronica Hollis, Network Administrator Bill Lewis, Bookkeeper Jamie Shaffer, Board Secretary Kathey Dalton, Angela Kearbey, Ebby Miller, Suzie Fann, Olivia Price, Kelly Saffle, Sally Stahl, Kendra Asher, Jamie Baucom, Daniel Baucom, Becky Tindall, Susan Vause, Norma Enochs, Heather Gower and Jan Scott.

Superintendents Report

Dr. Sullivan reported the electric bill is down this month from this time last year. Dr. Sullivan said summer work is going well. The retaining wall by the middle school is in the process of being replaced, the sidewalk project by the Elementary has been finished. Dr. Sullivan said work on the brown hours, nurse's office and gym floors have been completed. Dr. Sullivan discussed school re-opening plans. Bills were discussed.

Approval of Minutes/Bills

The Board approved the June 9, 2020 re-organization meeting and the June 25, 2020 Regular Board minutes. Bills were approved as presented.

Public Comment

Norma Enochs presented the Board flyers from MSBA concerning school re-opening and said she would like to speak to the Board concerning COVID-19 when we get to that item on the agenda. JoEllen Carter said she would like to have a calendar that has all of the events with times so we will know what is going on with games, practices, parties, etc.

New Business

The Board rejected all propane bids and moved to re-let bids for propane. The Board approved the Maintenance Director as Asbestos Management Contact. The Board adopted the Board Resolution relevant to RSMo.165.011, the East Carter County R-2 Board of Education Authorized the Superintendent to transfer funds from the Incidental Fund to the Capital Projects Fund and approved the Faculty/Staff Handbook FY 2021. The Board approved the Tuition rates for the 2020-21 school year (fiscal'21) at \$9,120. Per year, with 50% due prior to the first calendar day of semester one, 50% due prior to first day of semester two; all rates are to be pro-rated according to date of enrollment when enrollment does not coincide with beginning semester dates. The Board voted to re-adopt the Conflict of Interest Ordinance for Fiscal 2021. The Board accepted Melissa Jackson's resignation as Elementary Teacher. Dr. Sullivan said that after a review he would not recommend filling that position at this time. The Tax Rate Hearing was set For August 27, 2020 at 6:15 in the Elementary Cafeteria prior to the regular Board meeting. JoEllen Carter said the Back to School Fair will be in the FEMA building August 15, 2020 from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. The Board approved the School Re-opening plan with the ability to amend.

Staff/Committee Reports

Theresa Kearbey said documentation has been completed for our food service program for summer school and while out for COVID. She said we passed with flying colors and said all our efforts were appreciated. Ms. Kearbey said that Gabe Randazzo competed in in the Jr. Beta competition and received 1st place in the Nation for 6th grade science.

Kacie Kendrick said she received an email stating the playground equipment will not be delivered until mid-September. She said that in June she had grade level meetings with our teachers and met with Curriculum Director Jesse Cupp.

Mr. McKinney said April VanWinkle checked into Launch. He said Mrs. VanWinkle does not believe students who participate in the FLEX program should be eligible to be Valedictorian or Salutatorian. He said the FLEX program requires students to have a minimum of 21 credits, a 2.5 GPA and a 95% attendance rate. Mr. McKinney said our new JAG teacher Kristin McCormic has just returned from training and said our JAG program received a 5 of 5. This school year we will be allotted \$50,000 for our High School and Middle School JAG Program.

Executive Session

The Executive meeting was called to order by Board President Ben Thies at 7:56 p.m. The agenda was approved as presented and the June 25, 2020 Executive minutes were approved. The Board approved the hire of Morgan Shaffer as Companion Aide, John Crowley as Head Junior High Baseball Coach on a Hardship, and Stephanie Reynolds as assistant High School Cross Country Coach. The meeting was adjourned at 10:39 p.m.