Regular School Board Meeting  
July 23, 2012  
5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Ms. Keaton-Martin, president, called the meeting to order. Other Board members present were Ms. Shannon Blatt, Esq. Ms. Jeannie Cole, Dr. David Hunton, Dr. Deanie Mehl, Ms. Barbara Hathcock, Mr. Wyman R. Wade, Jr., Esq. Dr. Benny Gooden, superintendent, Dr. Gordon Floyd, deputy superintendent, and Ms. Nadine Brooks, secretary to the superintendent, were also present.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and Ms. Keaton-Martin gave the invocation.

The Board had no items to be removed from the consent agenda. The consent agenda includes the June 23, 2012 school board minutes, and the June Financial Report. Ms. Blatt made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mehl, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Benny Gooden yielded to Dr. Gordon Floyd to review the professional staff recommendations.

Resignations
Kelly Dwyer  
Lara Fisher  
Kim Goode  
Lexy Hutchison  
Maria Lindquist  
Carla Moose  
Sara Shelton

Retirement  
Louise Finney

Ms. Cole made a motion, seconded by Ms. Keaton-Martin, to approve the resignations and retirement. The vote for approval was 6/0.

Recommendations for Employment
Bridget L. Borges  
Nicole S. Bostick  
Ashley B. Griffith  
Alana D. Hicks  
Katherine F. Keeter-Hobbs  
Kristin J. Seaton  
Teresa K Segress  
Ashley E. Storey
Ms. Cole made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mehl, to approve the recommendations for employment. The vote for approval was 7/0.

Dr. Gooden noted that the filing period for candidates for the Board of Education closed at noon on July 10. Mr. Wade, Mr. Owen, Ms. Cole are running unopposed. No one has filed for Zone II. No increase is proposed for the school tax rate. To reduce costs the Board of Education should officially request that the Sebastian County Election Commission provide for absentee and early voting only at the Sebastian County Court House and not open any additional polling places on election day.

Ms. Blatt made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cole, to notify the Election Commission to provide for absentee and early voting only at the Sebastian County Court House and not open any additional polling places on election day, September 18, 2012. The vote for approval was 7/0.

Dr. Mehl made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cole, to approve the Notice of Annual School Election to run three weeks consecutively at least 20 days before the election. The vote for approval was 7/0.

Dr. Gooden noted that classes resume on August 17. Previous contract obligations prevent classes from beginning on August 15.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Ms. Keaton-Martin recognized Mr. Wade for the Finance Committee

Ms. Cole made a motion, seconded by Ms. Blatt, to approve the following providers for special education services to students with disabilities:

Vista Health of Barling
Horizon - Western Arkansas Counseling and Guidance Center
Brownwood School, Inc.
Western Arkansas Counseling and Guidance Center—A licensed psychologist employed by WACG provides required supervision for FSPS staff members whose licensure requires supervision at the rate of $84 per hour as required.
Becky Hartsfield - Ms. Hartsfield is a licensed physical therapist and provides required services at the rate of $75 per hour with a maximum of ten hours per week.
Dr. Ron McInroe - Dr. McInroe is a Clinical Neuropsychologist and performs required evaluations for students whose disability calls for such diagnosis. Each evaluation is completed at the rate of $750.

The vote for approval was 7/0.

Ms. Cole made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hathcock, to approve an Agreement with Mr. Mitch Llewellyn for legal services for the year beginning July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013 at the hourly rate of $200.00 the same rate currently being charged. The vote for approval was 7/0.
STUDENT AFFAIRS: Ms. Keaton-Martin recognized Mr. Wade for the Student Affairs Committee Report.

COMMITTEE REPORT: Mr. Wade asked Dr. Gooden to review the changes in the student policies. After reviewing, Mr. Wade made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mehl, to approve the changes for 2nd reading to the student policies as follows:

- IKFD Smart Core Curriculum
- JEC Eligibility for Enrollment
- JED Guidelines for Excused and Unexcused Absences
- JFC Student Conduct Not Permitted on School Premises or At any Activity Related to School
- JFG Search, Seizure and Monitoring
- Suspension of Students
- JHCA Student Wellness

BOARD MEMBERS FORUM: Ms. Cole and Dr. Mehl inquired about Euper Lane and Chaffin construction projects. Dr. Gooden also noted Sunnymede and Sutton Elementary were on schedule.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: There was no one present for citizen participation.

ADJOURN: There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Yvonne Keaton-Martin, President

Jeannie Cole, Secretary