

Regular Session Minutes January 22nd, 2018

The regular Limestone Walters Board Meeting was held on Monday, January 22nd, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Present were: Ken Herz; Matt Maher; Scott Jackson; Shannen Meyers; Jeff Stear; Barry Campen; Tim Dotson; and Sherry Rose. Absent: Bill Holt.

Communications: Matt Maher read thank you cards from Amber Powers and Sherry Rose, thanking the Board for their Christmas gift cards.

A motion was made by Jeff Stear, and seconded by Shannen Meyers, to approve the regular session minutes of December 18th, 2017. Roll call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Mr. Dotson gave an overview of the Financial/Treasurer Reports.

A motion was made by Barry Campen, and seconded by Scott Jackson, to approve the Financial report, Treasurer's report, Petty Cash, and presentation of bills for payment. Edu. \$120,393.03; Bldg. \$10,442.89; Trans. \$14,050.24; IMRF & SS. \$3,865.51; Tort \$0; Life Safety \$0 Total: \$148,731.67. Roll call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, abstain; Shannen Meyers, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Dotson thanked Ms. Kunkel and staff for all their efforts with the Band and K-4 Christmas programs. He also thanked Mrs. Meyers for chairing the PTO Carnival, along with the many parents that helped put the carnival together.

We received \$1,690 for the old Ipads. We should also receive the E-rate reimbursement of approximately \$13,000 for the past summer's upgrade.

Economic interest forms will be sent out by the county clerk soon. These will be due by May 1st, 2018.

Dr. Ryder from Limestone High School will be at next month's board meeting to speak to the Board about the upcoming referendum for an increase in the education fund.

Ameren is willing to cut down the trees in front of the building for no charge. We will be responsible for the stumps. Most of these trees are near dead and the power lines run through or near them. We expect the work to be completed in the next 4 to 6 weeks.

The asbestos abatement went well over the Christmas Break. Mr. Dotson thanked Mr. Campen for his help with laying the carpet in the two small rooms.

The next Board Meeting is Monday, February 26th, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

New Business:

A motion was made by Scott Jackson, and seconded by Matt Maher, to approve Gorenz & Associates for the fiscal year 2018 audit. Roll Call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Barry Campen gave an update on bids for the Carpet/Tile project. Also, air conditioning units for the kitchen area and the lower resource room were discussed.

Approval of the Carpet/Tile proposal for the summer of 2018 was tabled.

A motion was made by Matt Maher and seconded by Shannen Meyers, to go into executive session at 6:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing administrative salaries, the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer, negotiations, the compensation, discipline, and performance of specific employees, and for the discussion of minutes of closed meetings, Illinois Compiled Statutes 120/2, and safety and security of students. Roll call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion to come out of executive session at 7:40 p.m. was made by Jeff Stear, and seconded by Shannen Meyers. Roll call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

A motion was made by Barry Campen, and seconded by Scott Jackson, to approve Anne McMullen as a paraprofessional for the remainder of the 2017/2018 school year at \$15.00 per hour. Roll Call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.

Approval of the hiring of coaching assistant positions was tabled.

Motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. was made by Scott Jackson, and seconded by Jeff Stear. Roll Call: Scott Jackson, aye; Matt Maher, aye; Shannen Meyers, aye; Jeff Stear, aye; Barry Campen, aye; and Ken Herz, aye.