

The Morning After-Monthly meeting of the Board of Education, held Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at the MS/HS Library Media Center

The regular meeting convened at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Leon Slape, Stacie Ely, Curtis Hubbs, Jennifer Scheets, Darren Ice, Christie Koch, and Jo Holland

Special Recognition- Acknowledgment of Rionnah Stanton as the Middle School Student of the Month

Pledge of Allegiance- Rionnah Stanton led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Patron Comments:

- PTO mentioned the completion of the emergency buckets and new membership meeting coming up.
- Mr. Roy spoke about the band trip to New Orleans. He described the activities the students participated in, where they went in New Orleans, and the food.
- Mr. Bennie Cook addressed the Board regarding Elementary Policy on parents going on field trips with students.
- Lindsey Barnes spoke to the Board regarding Speech as a graduation requirement

Old Business

- MSBA Policies 2017 A updates were approved by the Board
- The Board approved allowing High School students to sign up for Vocational School at West Plains. Estimated limits would be 5-20.

New Business-

- Approved the consent agenda including past meeting minutes, and claims for payment.
- The leave policy for all staff was amended to allow for paid leave days to take the place of sick and personal leave days.
- The preliminary budget for 2017-2018 was presented. A final budget will be presented in June for Board approval.
- The Board approved the use of credit/purchasing cards through Landmark Bank. A total of 5 will be used: One for central office, one for each building principal, and one for the Coop.
- The graduation requirement of a .5 credit for speech was removed from the Houston High School requirement. Students who have already completed the course will have that credit applied as an elective.
- The bid for a new Bluebird transit bus was approved along with financing through L.J. Hart.

Program Evaluation

- The Parent Involvement Program Evaluation was presented by Mrs. Jody Jarrett. The evaluation was then approved by the Board.

Reports to the Board

- District administration provided reports to the Board regarding current and upcoming activities.

Patron Comments

- Several comments were made by both parents and teachers regarding the Elementary handbook policy regarding parents not attending school field trips.

Closed Session

Closed session minutes will be available after 72 hours in accordance with RSMO 610.021 (subsections 3 & 13)

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library Media Center.

Houston Public Schools

Minutes of the Board of Education in closed session May 9, 2017.

Closed Session A closed session meeting of the Board of Education Houston R-I School District of Texas County, Missouri was convened at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Christie Koch, Curtis Hubbs, Leon Slape, Darren Ice, Stacie Ely, and Jo Holland. 6:09 p.m. Jennifer Scheets arrived. Jennifer Scheets arrived at 6:09 p.m.

Minutes A motion was made by Leon Slape and seconded by Stacie Ely to approve the amended minutes from the April 11, 2017 regular closed session meeting. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, and Jo Holland yea.

Resignations A motion was made by Curtis Hubbs and seconded by Christie Koch to accept the resignation of Ashli Todaro, Special Education Teacher, at the end of the 2016-17 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Leon Slape and seconded by Curtis Hubbs to accept the resignation/retirement of Jodie Forbes, Elementary Music, at the end of the 2016-17 school year. Mrs. Forbes is retiring from the Houston District. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Leon Slape and seconded by Christie Koch to accept the resignation of Randi Wilson as Envirothon Sponsor at the end of the 2016-17 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, and Jo Holland yea.

Employment A motion was made by Curtis Hubbs and seconded by Stacie Ely to employ Ellen (Tori) McKee, High School ELA Teacher for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 6-1. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice nay, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Leon Slape and seconded by Christie Koch to employ Vincent McKee, HS/MS ISS Teacher, MS Assistant Football, MS Assistant Boys Basketball for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, Stacie Ely yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Darren Ice and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to employ Rodney Preheim as High School Assistant Football, Middle School Boys Basketball, Middle School Baseball for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, Stacie Ely yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Curtis Hubbs and seconded by Christie Koch to employ Ellen (Tori) McKee as Middle School Assistant Volleyball for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Leon Slape to employ Mandy Adey as High School Yearbook Sponsor for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Leon Slape and seconded by Stacie Ely to employ Sandy Cremer as Community Betterment Sponsor for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Christie Koch and seconded by Leon Slape to employ Dave Rust as a substitute bus driver, pending background check and licensure. Motion carried 6-0-1. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs abstain, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Darren Ice and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to employ Maggie Jadwin as High School Student Council Co-Sponsor for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

A motion was made by Curtis Hubbs and seconded by Jennifer Scheets to employ Traci Starnes as Process Coordinator, 504 Coordinator, testing coordinator, and para evaluator for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

Extra-Duty Contracts

A motion was made by Curtis Hubbs and seconded by Leon Slape to extend contracts to all personnel listed on the Extra Duty list for the 2017-18 school year. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Leon and seconded by Christie to adjourn into open session. Motion carried 7-0. Christie Koch yea, Curtis Hubbs yea, Leon Slape yea, Darren Ice yea, Stacie Ely yea, Jennifer Scheets yea, and Jo Holland yea.

Closed session adjourned at 6:33 p.m.