

A meeting of the Board of Education of Marion School District No. 3

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Kind of Meeting: Regular

Date: January 27, 2011

Place: District Administration Office

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Members Present

Members Absent

A. Jan Thomas, Jr.

Presiding Officer

Rev. Jeffrey Richardson

Steve A. Sutton

Phillip M. Brick

Darrylee Arms

Brian Proffitt

Chester McGee

A regular meeting of the Marion School Board was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2011, at the District Administration Office, with A. Jan Thomas, Jr., Rev. Jeffrey Richardson, Steve A. Sutton, Phillip Brick, Darrylee Arms, Brian Proffitt and Chester McGee in attendance. Also in attendance were Don Johnston, Superintendent; Jeff Altemus, Sr. Asst. Superintendent; Marian Smith, Sr. Asst. Superintendent; Alfred Hogan, Asst. Superintendent; Dr. Robin Catt, Director of Human Resources; Hugh Inman, MHS Principal; Chalise Macklin, *Evening Times*; and Peggy Cozart, Secretary to Superintendent.

Jan Thomas called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the regular board meeting on December 14, 2010, were approved with a motion from Steve A. Sutton, second from Rev. Jeffrey Richardson and a unanimous vote.

The board reviewed the finance and enrollment reports. No action was required.

The request from the Junior Auxiliary to use Marion High School gym for a fundraiser on April 2, 2011, was approved with a motion from Steve A. Sutton, second from Brian Proffitt, and a unanimous vote.

After a discussion, the board approved the purchase of the old post office for \$300,000 and closing cost with a motion from Darrylee Arms, second from Rev. Jeffrey Richardson, and a unanimous vote.

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Mr. Altemus gave the board a report of the Corps of Engineers project on our property on Gavin Road. Mr. Altemus stated that he and Mr. Johnston offered the Corps of Engineers an alternative solution.

Darrylee Arms made a motion to approve a resolution for the safe room at Avondale Elementary. Chester McGee seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote. (Copy of resolution attached.)

Mr. Johnston presented the following personnel recommendations for board approval:

Resignations:

1. Marian Smith, Asst. Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction
2. Dr. Barbara McGrew, Special Education/LEA Supervisor
3. Becky Hopkins, Art Teacher, MJHS
4. Luchana Jackson, Bus Driver
5. Wendell Mosley, Bus Driver
6. Kathy Hendrix, Secretary, AES

Employ:

1. Duncan Ray Brown, Art Teacher, MJHS (Contract contingent upon obtaining a standard Arkansas license in Art by June 1, 2013.)

Transfer:

1. Heather Morgan, AES Paraprofessional, from Special Education Classroom to Comprehensive Early Intervention Classroom

Rescind contract offer for:

1. Danny Davis, Maintenance

Other:

1. Employ Janie Baber to write newspaper articles under a temporary work agreement

The personnel recommendations were approved as submitted with a motion from Steve A. Sutton, second from Brian Proffitt, and a unanimous vote.

The board silently read the expulsion documentation for Dakota Harrington. There was no discussion. Mr. Johnston recommended that Dakota Harrington be expelled with loss of credit for

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the remainder of the school year. Darrylee Arms made a motion to uphold the superintendent's recommendation. Brian Proffitt seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

The board then went into executive session. When the board reconvened in public session, Phillip Brick made a motion to extend the contract for Don Johnston, Superintendent, for one year, to June 30, 2014. Chester McGee seconded the motion, which passed with a 7 – 0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion from Phillip Brick, second from Brian Proffitt, and a unanimous vote.

A. Jan Thomas, Jr.

Rev. Jeffrey Richardson

Date