

MINUTES  
CARTHAGE ESD #317  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 20, 2024

The regular meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Luke Burling.

Roll call: Dillon Darbyshire/present; Sean Dickerson/present; Derrick Nelson/present; Stephanie Fitch/present; Jacob Murphy/present; Luke Burling/present; Linda Housewright/present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additional Agenda Items: Mr. Darbyshire requested the following be added to Executive Session Items: The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6)

There were no individuals present wishing to speak on stated agenda items.

Administrative Reports:

Mr. Day introduced John Vezzetti from Bernardi Securities, who gave a presentation on financing options.

Mrs. Jacoby noted the new shade structure donated by the Lions Club is now completed.

Mr. VanCamp noted that IAR testing begins next week and also recognized our three ELA teachers, who recently presented at the Illinois Reading Conference.

It was moved by Mrs. Housewright and seconded by Mrs. Fitch to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Staff Luncheon: Will be held Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

It was moved by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mrs. Housewright to approve the nullification of the current E-Learning Plan as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to enter into executive session at 7:53 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel and the setting of a price for

sale or lease of property owned by the District (as added to the agenda). Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to exit executive session at 9:48 p.m. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Recommendation on Reduction in Force Resolutions: There are no reductions in force at this time.

It was moved by Mr. Dickerson and seconded by Mr. Murphy to approve the resignation of Kaitlyn Krieg, effective at the end of the 2023-24 school year. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mrs. Housewright to approve the resignation of Rachel McHugh as assistant cook, with her last day being May 25, 2024. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to approve Jackson Parry as a paraprofessional for the remainder of the 2023-24 school year, effective March 4, 2024, according to the pay scale stated in the contract between Carthage Elementary School District #317 and the Service Employee's International Union Local Number 73. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to approve Elizabeth Pearson as a teacher at the certified contract rate, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, pending completion of the proper certification process. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Darbyshire and seconded by Mr. Dickerson to approve the termination of Katie Todd as Paraprofessional, effective March 1, 2024. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Housewright to approve the new contract for Superintendent Dustin Day, for the 2024-2025, 2025-26, 2026-27, 2027-28 and 2028-29 school years, with a base salary of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Four and 00/100 Hundred Dollars (\$114,400.00) for the 2024-2025 contract year.

For the 2025-2026, 2026-2027, 2027-2028, and 2028-2029 contract years, the Superintendent shall be paid an amount equal to an increase of six percent (6%) over the Superintendent's TRS creditable earnings for the previous year of employment.

Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Dickerson and seconded by Mrs. Housewright to adopt the Resolution Reference the Dismissal of Professional Educator Licensed (“PEL”) Employee, Allison Baumann, at the end of the 2023-2024school year as presented, and that the Superintendent be authorized and directed to deliver or cause to be delivered the Notice to the employee as specified in the Resolution. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Dickerson and seconded by Mrs. Housewright to adopt the Resolution Reference the Dismissal of Professional Educator Licensed (“PEL”) Employee, Amber Parrish, at the end of the 2023-2024school year as presented, and that the Superintendent be authorized and directed to deliver or cause to be delivered the Notice to the employee as specified in the Resolution. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Dickerson and seconded by Mrs. Housewright to adopt the Resolution Reference the Dismissal of Professional Educator Licensed (“PEL”) Employee, Sarah Amschler, at the end of the 2023-2024school year as presented, and that the Superintendent be authorized and directed to deliver or cause to be delivered the Notice to the employee as specified in the Resolution. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.

It was moved by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Fitch to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 PM. Roll Call: Mr. Darbyshire/yes; Mr. Dickerson/yes; Mr. Nelson/yes; Mrs. Fitch/yes; Mr. Murphy/yes; Mr. Burling/yes; Mrs. Housewright/yes. Motion carried 7-0.