

MINUTES  
CARTHAGE ESD #317  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2011

The organizational meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:06 by President Pro-Tem Linda Stoverink. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, present; Mr. Ufkes, present; Mrs. Fritz, present; Mr. Menn, present; Mrs. Markley, present; Mr. Pettit, absent; Mrs. Huston, present.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to accept the official canvass of votes. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Mr. Pettit entered the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

All board members recited the Oath aloud then signed the Official Oath which shall become a part of the official minutes.

The floor was opened to nominations for the office of President. Jamie Pettit was nominated for the office. There being no other nominations, the floor was closed to nominations and Mr. Pettit declared President.

The floor was opened to nominations for the office of Vice President. Brent Ufkes was nominated for the office of Vice President. There being no other nominations, the floor was closed to nominations and Mr. Ufkes declared Vice President.

The floor was opened to nominations for the office of Secretary. Sherry Huston was nominated for the office of Secretary. There being no other nominations, the floor was closed to nominations and Mrs. Huston declared Secretary.

It was declared that the meeting date shall be the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. Meetings will be held at the District Office at 210 S. Adams unless otherwise noticed.

It was the consensus of the Board to delegate the responsibilities of the Board Policy Committee to the administrative team.

It was also the consensus of the Board to combine the Parent/Teacher Advisory Committee and the Behavioral Interventions Committee and delegate the responsibilities of each to the administrative team.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to adjourn the organizational meeting at 7:17 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

The regular meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:18 by Board President Jamie Pettit. Roll Call: Mr. Pettit, present; Mr. Ufkes, present; Mrs. Fritz, present; Mr. Menn, present; Mrs. Markley, present; Mrs. Stoverink, present; Mrs. Huston, present.

Also in attendance were Marilyn Walker, Dennis Royalty, Susan Starr, Teresa Smith, Diane Schardon and Dave Walker of the Carthage Kiwanis Club.

President Pettit thanked outgoing president Linda Stoverink for her years of service in that office.

There were no additional agenda items or individuals wishing to address the board on stated agenda items.

Marilyn Walker of the Carthage Kiwanis Club addressed the board about the Builders' Club at the Middle School, which is a youth-level Kiwanis club. She has worked with the Builders' Club for eight years and reported that it is now up to 53 members. She commended school sponsor Cheryl Underwood for the all of the time and effort that she has put into the program. The Club has raised \$3,500 and just yesterday made \$800 donations to each the Honor Flight, March of Dimes, St. Jude's Children's Hospital and the Red Cross for Japan's earthquake/tsunami victims. Mrs. Walker expressed concern about the position of Builders' Club sponsor not being compensated and the continuation of the program. She informed that board that, because of her revised schedule, Mrs. Underwood would not be serving as the sponsor next year. There has been an outside volunteer, but they still need someone within the school.

#### Administrative Reports:

Mrs. Hardy elaborated that the district referred to in her written report was Mooresville, NC. That's the district that personnel from Mendon have been visiting to view the one-on-one technology. Mendon is planning to go to one-on-one technology in the fall, dependent upon funding. Mrs. Hardy has spoken to Todd Fox and he feels that it is a worthwhile program.

A suggestion was made to perhaps try it with one or two grade levels to start out.

One of our middle school teachers is of the opinion that technology would increase motivation and it would also make it easy to get things in and out. Grammar would benefit greatly because current books are not in good shape nor are there enough for everyone.

It was suggested that Diane look into available resources for a one-on-one technology program.

Diane shared that the Reading textbooks are loaded on the thinclients. She is going to a seminar in May on one-on-one technology and the additional implications such as bandwidth and necessary network upgrades.

It was asked whether there is any grant money for technology. There is not much available and what is available we don't qualify for.

Diane shared that there will be an active shooter training in May and encouraged anyone that is available to attend.

She is working on a schedule for the middle school that is a new concept. In this type of schedule all blocks are 30 minutes with the exception of core classes. Math, literature and language arts will be in two 30 minute blocks. Band is always a problem with the scheduling so she is working on ironing that out.

She has received one bid for security cameras for \$12,000, however, Mrs. Hardy has told her that an architect must be involved with any electrical projects. It was pointed out that some of the items mentioned are more retreat type topics.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to approve the consent with noted corrections to the minutes. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

The last line of the minutes was duplicated but will be deleted prior to filing in the official minutes.

Mrs. Stoverink asked about the excessively high water bill at the middle school. Mrs. Hardy reported that she thought it had been taken care of.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mrs. Markley to approve the purchase of the web-based upgrade of the SDS financial software system for \$5,400 with funds to be taken from the Education

Fund. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was noted that the upgrade cost is \$5,400, the hosting service cost is \$1,900 and there is an annual fee of \$2,963.

Mr. Ufkes and Mr. Menn will continue to serve on the transportation committee. A meeting has been scheduled for May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9 a.m.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve the first reading of policies as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was the consensus of the board to refer policy 5:100 back to the contract.

The board reviewed the third quarter revenue and expense summary.

The staff luncheon will be held on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. The board will again be providing desserts and those that are available will help serve.

Diane, Brandy Parry, Lorinda Markey and Trish Markley have reviewed the primary handbook along with two teachers. The text in red are changes they made and the bold red is IPA language. The committee tried to model the book after and correlate with the middle school handbook.

Approval of the proposed revisions will take place next month.

Rick is working on the summer work schedule in order to determine staffing needs.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mr. Menn to enter into executive session at 8:40 p.m. for the purpose of discussing bargaining and personnel. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mr. Menn to approve the summer employment of Tyler Walker, Angel Ashley and Richard Duffy at the summer custodian contract rate of \$11.48 per hour and John Edris for summer maintenance at the summer maintenance contract rate of \$11.48 per hour. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Pettit and seconded by Mrs. Markley to adopt the Resolution to reduce in force non-certified staff member Vicky Lantz at the end of the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to adopt the Resolution to reduce in force non-certified staff member Judy McGaughey at the end of the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Fritz and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to adopt the Resolution to reduce in force non-certified staff member Tyler Walker at the end of the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mr. Menn to adopt the Resolution to reduce in force non-certified staff member Bev Frakes at the end of the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink,

yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Markley to approve a new contract with Vicki Hardy through June 30, 2014 with a total salary package of \$113,664.00. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Pettit and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to approve the 2011-2012 certified staff contract. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Markley, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes. Motion carried 7 – 0.