

MINUTES
CARTHAGE ESD #317
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2011

The special meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 6:33 p.m. Board members met at the football field to begin the building tour. This is done annually to view the work done over the summer and the preparedness of the facilities for the beginning of school. No action was taken during this meeting.

The regular meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 by Board President Jamie Pettit. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Stoverink, present; Mrs. Huston, present; Mr. Pettit, present; Mr. Ufkes, present; Mrs. Fritz, absent; Mr. Menn, absent.

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

Administrative Reports: Mrs. Hardy shared that the Elementary Sports Boosters presented a \$500 check to Mark and Joni Burling for all the work that they have done on the baseball diamonds.

Mrs. Fritz and Mrs. Markley entered the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

It was asked if part-time teachers and subs can get in on the training described in Mrs. Hardy's written report and replied that, yes, they can.

She also pointed out that the Regional Superintendents are continuing to work without pay.

Diane shared the Kindle Agreement that Ms. Lewis and Ms. Underwood put together. Each of the two teachers purchased a Kindle for student use out of her supply money for the year.

Mrs. Hardy also shared that there is a Regional pre-school program designed to serve the students that we cannot serve.

Diane has spoken with Chief of Police Gary Waddell and the department will be providing patrol officers on Monday to assist with traffic the first day of school.

There will be a potluck dinner tomorrow from 11:30 to 12:30 at the Middle School.

It was noted that the custodians have done a very nice job this summer.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

It was asked what the purpose was of purchasing iPads for Diane and Mrs. Hardy and it was explained that, with all of the publicity about providing iPads for students, they felt it necessary to familiarize themselves with the technology. Diane has looked into what would be required to provide these for students and found that an upgrade to our wireless network would be necessary with an approximate cost of \$25,000.

The board discussed the building walkthrough and noted a few items needing attention such as the guttering above the east entrance to the primary school needs repaired, it appears the storm drains are not functioning properly and the tennis shoes need to be removed from the power lines.

Mrs. Hardy explained the need for the interfund transfer that we will take action on next month.

It was suggested that we look into leasing computers since the lease levy can only be used for technology or building. Diane will look into the cost of leasing.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to approve Amendment #4 as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve Addendum #3 as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel and bargaining. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Frits to approve the employment of Sharon Barr as a part-time art teacher for the 2011-12 school year at the current contract rate. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to employ Jodi Burling as an instructional aide for the 2011-12 school year at the current contract rate. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mr. Pettit to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.