MINUTES CARTHAGE ESD #317 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 22, 2014

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 Brent Ufkes.

Roll call: Mrs. Graham, present; Mr. Ufkes, present; Mrs. Fritz, present; Mr. Menn, present; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, present.

No additional agenda items were requested

Recognition & Presentations:

The 8th Grade Girls Basketball team was recognized for finishing second in State Class 2A.

Tricia Kinnamon spoke on behalf of the PTO, requesting to put a back-stop up on the primary playground. This would enable the students to play kickball, baseball, etc. and provide more activities for them which would also reduce the congestion on the current playground. The project would be fully funded by the PTO and the Board saw no problem with this. Tricia had several bids and will contact the low bidder and hopefully begin construction this spring.

Administrative Reports – Mrs. Hardy asked for the Board's input as to what to do with the scoreboards that were recently taken down at the high school gym. They are currently being stored in the back room at the district office and Mrs. Hardy saw no need for them in the future. She wondered about selling them and has access to sites where they could be advertised. It was suggested that they be offered to the Sports Boosters so they could try to sell them. Mrs. Hardy will pursue the options of selling or donating to the Sports Boosters. Mrs. Hardy answered questions regarding prorations and Supplemental Educational Services.

Mrs. Pepple reported that she was working on scheduling options that would offer relief to both the 2nd grade and 7th grade next year. One option might be a teacher that would serve in both buildings. She will continue to investigate the options.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Markley to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Mrs. Pepple reported on the recent Curricular Advisory Committee technology visit to Colchester Middle School to view their 1to1 initiative, which utilizes iPad technology. She felt the visit was very informative.

Mrs. Hardy gave a report on WorxTime insurance software, which she and Shannon held a webinar on recently. The program would be very useful, but the quote just came in today for \$6,000.00, so it is on hold for now.

It was moved by Mrs. Fritz and seconded by Mr. Menn to approve the purchase of two used buses from Central States with the trade-in of three Carthage-owned buses for a total balance due to Central States of \$54,000. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Graham to authorize Vicki Hardy and Virginia Hurwitz to transact business on the General Fund, Certificates of Deposit and Repurchase Agreement accounts held at Marine Bank Trust. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mr. Menn to authorize Glennagene S. Twaddle and Cynthia A. Smith to transact business on the Imprest and Flex Fund accounts held at Marine Bank & Trust. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Fritz into executive session at 8:48p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel and collective negotiating. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Fritz and seconded by Mr. Menn to exit executive session at 10:06 p.m. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Fritz and seconded by Mrs. Markley to approve the employment of Jeremy Ford as District Maintenance Director at the rate of \$17.00 per hour. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

The board reviewed and discussed the budget.

It was moved by Mrs. Ufkes and seconded by Mr. Menn to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 p.m. Roll call: Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Fritz, yes; Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, absent; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, yes. Motion carried 5-0.