

MINUTES
CARTHAGE ESD #317
BOARD OF EDUCATION
BUDGET HEARING & REGULAR MEETING
September 24, 2014

The Budget Hearing of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vicki Hardy, as the Board President and Vice-President were both absent.

Mrs. Hardy explained the procedure to conduct the meeting without the President or Vice-President and opened the floor for nominations for Chairman Pro-Tem to reside over the meeting. Mrs. Fritz nominated Mrs. Graham and with no other nominations, Mrs. Graham was appointed Chairman Pro-Tem for this meeting.

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

Mrs. Hardy reviewed the budget, pointing out an additional expense that was added to cover the cost of resurfacing the track at the high school.

There were no visitors present to address the board regarding the proposed budget.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to adjourn the Budget Hearing at 7:09 p.m. Roll call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

The regular meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:09 p.m. by Chairman Pro-Tem, Amy Graham.

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

There were no additional agenda items.

Administrative Reports – Mrs. Hardy noted the flower box that was built around the sign out in front of the building. She reminded board members of the Western Division Meeting that will take place on October 2nd. She discussed the Senate Bill 16, which would involve school districts having to separate their expenses for each building in the district and the extra burden that would place on staff, etc.

Mrs. Pepple noted that they are done with the math benchmarking at both schools and scores will be made available next month. Mrs. Graham passed along a compliment that

was recently received from a parent that is new to the district and how happy she was with the school district and much better it is than where they came from. Mr. Butcher noted that things were going well at the middle school and he is still in the process of learning new things.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mr. Menn to approve the consent agenda as presented. Following a discussion, it was requested by Mrs. Fritz to add the following change to the minutes of the August 20, 2014 meeting, page 2, paragraph 5 – after “the current card” add the words “from Marine Bank & Trust”. A motion was made by Mrs. Fritz and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve adding the words “from Marine Bank and Trust” to the minutes of the August 20, 2014 meeting as presented: Roll call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0. Roll Call to approve the consent agenda with the above mentioned changes. Roll call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

There was a brief discussion regarding the 2015 school board election. We are no longer required to nominate an election official as all of the election responsibilities will now be handled by the County Clerk’s office.

A discussion was held regarding sick leave bank. A certified staff member has requested use of the sick leave bank. Mrs. Hardy noted that the required two teachers and one non-certified member had already been appointed to the Governing Committee and she requested the board’s approval to act as the appointed Administrator for the Committee. It was the consensus of the board that Mrs. Hardy assumes that position.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to approve the FY15 Budget as presented. Roll Call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Fritz and seconded by Mrs. Huston to enter into executive session at 7:41 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel. Roll call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to exit executive session at 7:49 p.m. Roll call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Mr. Menn and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to approve the resignation of Deloris (Dee) Dixon, effective September 12, 2014 as Carthage Middle School Head Cook. Roll Call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mrs. Fritz to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. Roll call: Mr. Menn, yes; Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Gooding, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Graham, yes; Mr. Ufkes, absent; Mrs. Fritz, yes. Motion carried 4-0.