MINUTES CARTHAGE ESD #317 BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING JULY 15, 2015

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. Markley/present; Mrs. Graham/present; Mr. Ufkes/present; Mr. Blue/present; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/present; Mr. Gooding/present;

There were no additional agenda items.

Visitors present wishing to speak on stated agenda items: Chelle Grotts voiced her concerns over the lack of a third section for kindergarten for 2015-16 and the large class sizes. She made suggestions to the board and her questions were answered.

Administrative Reports:

Mrs. Hardy referred to her report in the board packet and had no additional information to add.

Mrs. Pepple reported that she recently received an internal connections grant in the amount of \$17,350.16 and the money will be used to rebuild the network infrastructure. The total projected amount we should receive from e-rate for 2015-16 is \$32,187.92. She is also looking to apply for a grant to upgrade the wireless system.

Mr. Butcher had nothing new to report.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mrs. Graham to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Kindergarten class: The current number for enrollment for 2015-16 stands at 48. Discussion was held regarding the class sizes.

August Meeting Time / Building Tour: It was agreed by the board to have a building walk-through at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19th, prior to the regular board meeting.

School Board Conference: Plans for the weekend were discussed.

Preliminary Budget: The preliminary budget was discussed.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mrs. Huston to accept the low bread bid from Bimbo Bakeries for the 2015-16 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mr. Blue to accept the low escalator milk bid from Prairie Farms for the 2015-16 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Gooding and seconded by Mrs. Huston to accept the low garbage disposal bid from Area Disposal for the 2015-16 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Blue and seconded by Mr. Gooding to accept the low snow removal bid from Andy Redenius for the 2015-16 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mr. Gooding to accept the low firm bid from FS for the 2015-16 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mrs. Markley to enter into executive session at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Huston to exit executive session at 8:16 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Blue and seconded by Mrs. Huston that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Jennifer Edholm, effective immediately. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mr. Ufkes that the Board of Education approve the resignation of Nancy Unruh, effective August 13, 2015. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mr. Gooding that the Board of Education employ John Draws as special education teacher at the certified contract rate. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mr. Blue and seconded by Mrs. Graham that the Board of Education employ Meghan Maag as elementary teacher at the certified contract rate. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Mrs. Markley and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Markley/yes; Mrs. Graham/yes; Mr. Ufkes/yes; Mr. Blue/yes; Mr. Menn/absent; Mrs. Huston/yes; Mr. Gooding/yes. Motion carried 6-0.